

Echovara

Contemporary painter — oil, pigment & mixed media on linen

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PROFILE

Echovara is a Nigerian-born painter based in the United Kingdom. The practice investigates migration, hybrid identity, memory and belonging between two cultures — translating personal archives and family photographs into large, slow-built surfaces of oil, pigment, chalk and occasional gold leaf.

EDUCATION

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| 2021 | <i>MA Fine Art (Painting)</i>
Royal College of Art · London, UK |
| 2018 | <i>BA (Hons) Fine Art</i>
University of the Arts London · London, UK |
| 2014 | <i>Foundation Diploma, Art & Design</i>
Yaba College of Technology · Lagos, Nigeria |
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SOLO EXHIBITIONS

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| 2025 | <i>Crossings</i>
Bermondsey Project Space · London, UK |
| 2024 | <i>Between Two Climates</i>
OOF Gallery · London, UK |
| 2022 | <i>Soft Inheritance</i>
Thought Foundation · Newcastle, UK |
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SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

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| 2024 | <i>New Contemporaries</i>
Saatchi Gallery · London, UK |
| 2024 | <i>Of Memory and Place</i>
Copeland Gallery · London, UK |
| 2023 | <i>The Long Return</i>
Nike Art Gallery · Lagos, Nigeria |
| 2023 | <i>Diaspora / Distance</i>
Cromwell Place · London, UK |
| 2022 | <i>Threshold</i>
Rele Gallery · Lagos, Nigeria |
| 2021 | <i>RCA Graduate Show</i>
Royal College of Art · London, UK |
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AWARDS & GRANTS

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| 2024 | <i>Arts Council England — Developing Your Creative Practice</i>
Award recipient |
| 2023 | <i>Ingram Prize</i>
Shortlisted · London, UK |
| 2021 | <i>RCA Painting Prize</i>
Royal College of Art · London, UK |

RESIDENCIES

2024 *Sarabande Foundation Studio Residency*
Sarabande · London, UK

2022 *G.A.S. Foundation Residency*
Guest Artists Space · Lagos, Nigeria

SELECTED PRESS

2024 *The painter rebuilding a homeland in oil and memory*
Tribune Online

2024 *Echovara: a quiet, insistent new voice in contemporary painting*
Independent Newspaper Nigeria

2023 *From Ibadan to London — the canvases of a hybrid life*
PM News Nigeria

COLLECTIONS

- Private collections — United Kingdom
- Private collections — Nigeria
- Private collections — United States
- Private collections — France

PROFESSIONAL
MEMBERSHIPS

- Association of Black Artists (UK)
- a-n The Artists Information Company
- Society of Nigerian Artists