

**AUGUST 30, 2022**

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***SOUTHLAND VOL. 2***

**CURATED BY PATRICK MARTINEZ**

**969 CHUNG KING ROAD**

**SEPTEMBER 17 – OCTOBER 22, 2022**

**ARTIST'S RECEPTION:**

**SEPTEMBER 17th, 6-9pm**

**DJ SET BY DJ BROWN STARSHIP**

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*Star Montana, Louisa/ La Giggles 1990's, Sintra, 30 x 24 inches, 2022*

**Charlie James Gallery** is pleased to present *Southland Vol. 2*, curated by Patrick Martinez. The exhibition features works by **Edmund Arevalo, Danie Cansino, Mustafa Ali Clayton, Karla Diaz, Larry Dixon, Leo Eguiarte, Star Montana, Kristopher Raos, Melly Trochez, Ever Velasquez, and Shingo Yamazaki.**

Growing up in the Los Angeles area, artist and curator Patrick Martinez has long been fascinated with the geography and culture of greater Los Angeles. Martinez's eye concerns itself less with Hollywood and the West Side, the areas of LA commonly exported to the rest of the country, and more with pockets of the city such as the San Gabriel Valley, the East Side of Los Angeles, Northeast LA, the Harbor Area, San Bernardino, the High Desert, and DTLA. For *Southland*, Martinez has recruited artists native to Los Angeles, from different parts of the city, as well as transplants to LA, and asked them to make work about their relationship to the city. *Southland 2* runs in parallel to his solo show *Promised Land*, also at Charlie James Gallery at 969 Chung King Road.

Artist Instagrams: @patrick\_martinez\_studio, @edmundarevalo, @daniecansino, @oshawamacdaddy, @karladiatz76, @larry.dixon.jr.art, @leoeguiarte, @starmontana, @kristopher\_raos, @melly\_trochez, @ever.a.k.a.thegirlabouttown, @shinnyzak

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