

BLACK & PRIDE: Contemporary Mixed Media Artist Beau McCall Brings Black LGBTQ+ History to Florida

NYC Based Artist Will Debut Solo Exhibition Honoring the Black LGBTQ Experience to Stonewall National Museum, Archives and Library for Pride Month



New York City, New York May 17, 2023 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - A new solo exhibition by mixed media artist, [Beau McCall](#) aka The Button Man will aptly open in time for LGBTQ Pride season, ***REWIND: HISTORY ON REPEAT, A Spotlight on the Black LGBTQ+ Experience in America*** at the [Stonewall National Museum, Archives and Library](#) (SNMAL) in Fort Lauderdale, FL. The solo exhibition opens June 2nd through September 8th, 2023.

The Museum will host an Opening Reception & Artist Talk on Friday, June 2, 2023, from 6 to 9 PM ET with light refreshments will be provided. A brief fireside chat starting at 6:45 PM with Beau McCall and guest curator Souleo and moderated by Robert Kesten, Executive Director, Stonewall National Museum, Archives, & Library.

The exhibition will feature the collages drawn from McCall's debut artists' book, **REWIND: MEMORIES**

ON REPEAT, which honors the legacy of ten of McCall's deceased friends.

Link to exhibition official image: Beau McCall, Strange Beauties XIII, https://t.ly/lwK_

About the Artist:

Beau McCall—enthusiastically proclaimed by American Craft magazine as “The Button Man”—creates wearable and visual art by applying clothing buttons onto mostly upcycled fabrics, materials, and objects. His artworks, offering commentary on topics such as pop culture and social justice have been included in exhibitions at The Museum at FIT, Nordstrom, the African American Museum in Philadelphia, Houston Museum of African American Culture, Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, Stax Museum of American Soul Music, Black Fashion Museum, the Langston Hughes House in partnership with the inaugural Columbia University Wallach Art Gallery Uptown triennial and StoryCorps, and Rush Arts Gallery.

McCall's work is held in the permanent collection of public institutions and by private individuals including the Museum of Arts and Design (New York), Philadelphia Museum of Art (Philadelphia), Victoria and Albert Museum (London), The Museum at FIT (New York), Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture (New York), Amistad Research Center (New Orleans), The Museum of Modern Art Library (New York), Leslie-Lohman Museum of Art (New York), Stonewall National Museum & Archives (Fort Lauderdale), and The San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Library (San Francisco), Cyndi Lauper's True Colors Residence, Debbie Harry of Blondie, Jeffrey Gibson, and Cristina Grajales. McCall has also been commissioned by the Museum of Arts and Design, Columbia University, and the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture. Media outlets including the NY Times, Women's Wear Daily, Associated Press, NPR, and L.A. Times have featured McCall and his work. In addition, he has served as a teaching artist at the Newark Museum of Art, the New York Public Library, and the Harlem Arts Alliance.

McCall is also the creator of the wearable art line called Triple T-shirts. In 2021, he released his debut artists' book titled, REWIND: MEMORIES ON REPEAT, commissioned and published by SHINE Portrait Studio Express Newark, Rutgers University-Newark. In 2024, McCall will debut his first-ever retrospective titled, Beau McCall: Buttons On! at Fuller Craft Museum. McCall was born in Philadelphia, PA, and currently lives and works in Harlem, NY with his life partner Souleo.

About the Museum:

Stonewall National Museum, Archives & Library is one of the largest gay archives and libraries in the USA, with a 12-month schedule of exhibitions on LGBTQ themes and public programs, including author presentations, films, panel discussions, and collaborative events at its museum and library in South Florida and in cities across the United States. Stonewall National Museum, Archives and Library (<https://stonewall-museum.org>), an invaluable yet small 501c3, in recognizing the inspiring works of leading figures in America's LGBTQ+ community capped with the message 'Stonewall Is For All.'

REWIND: HISTORY ON REPEAT

A Spotlight on the Black LGBTQ+ Experience in America by Beau McCall

June 2nd - September 8th

Stonewall National Museum, Archives, and Library

1300 East Sunrise Blvd, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304

Viewing hours/days:

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri – 11:00 AM-5:00 PM

Thurs – 11:00 AM-8:00 PM

Sat, Sun – 11:00 AM-3:00 PM



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