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Hair Stories explores the political and social dynamics of black hair drawing from current and historical references. She aims to share *Hair Stories* of both men and women focusing on the pride, the shame, and the growth of embracing what has a great history in how we are perceived and how we might perceive ourselves.

The exhibit at Publick Playhouse runs from January 13th to March 19th. The Artist's Talk and Reception will be held on Thursday, March 9th from 7 - 9 pm. She will also be holding a giveaway for a framed print of a piece entitled: Levels. **To rsvp, please visit www.jnelljordan.com/hairstories**

J'Nell Jordan is a figurative painter who aims to capture the feel good moments and experiences.; those moments where figures are caught in the vibe of life, self reflection, posing, flirting or candidly caught in mid-smile.



She is a serial image collector. The things she filters daily within in current culture, history, music and fashion are combined with her love for painting the human figure, and playing with pattern and light. It all starts with the reference imagery/photographs and how she identifies with them at any given moment. Many paintings are culminations of several different images and elements where she likes to create her own atmosphere or manipulate them to create a narrative provoking thought, self reflection, and sometimes nostalgia in the viewer.

J'Nell Jordan was born in 1987 and in raised Northern Virginia. She attended Adelphi University in New York and received her Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in 2009. Since then, she's shown her work at various galleries in Washington, DC, Maryland and Virginia. She currently works out of Hyattsville, MD.