

Jared Bowen

Jared Bowen is the Executive Arts Editor and Emmy award-winning host of the weekly television series Open Studio with Jared Bowen, which takes viewers inside the creative process, offering a blend of profiles, performances, and contemporary exhibitions by artists in Greater Boston, New England, and across the country. He has long been a steadfast advocate for arts and culture, sharing stories that bring us hope and inspiration. Bowen is a special correspondent for the PBS NewsHour and appears regularly on 89.7 GBH, covering the latest happenings in the region's theater, art, music, dance and film on GBH's Morning Edition and Boston Public Radio. Bowen is also the moderator of the Boston Speakers Series at Symphony Hall, facilitating conversations with everyone from world leaders to Oscar-winning actors. He has won several New England Emmys and two Edward R. Murrow Awards for his arts reporting, and is a recipient of the Commonwealth Award, which recognizes achievement in the arts, humanities and sciences.

Steven Vincent Locke, BFA '97, MFA '01

Steve Locke has a practice that spans painting, drawing, sculpture, and installation, and critically engages with the Western canon to muse on the connections among desire, identity, and violence. Locke seeks alternative ways to amplify public engagement around his art, partnering with institutions, municipalities, and even the U.S. Postal Service to reach new audiences. Locke's practice pushes viewers to confront and critically engage with a complicated present and painful past. His work has been the subject of numerous one-person exhibitions, including *in the name of love* at New York University and *Three Deliberate Grays for Freddie* (A Memorial for Freddie Gray) at Boston's Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. Locke is the recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship and a Pollock-Krasner Foundation grant, among numerous awards. Locke received his BFA and MFA from MassArt and later became a tenured Art Education faculty member, and now serves on the faculty of the Pratt Institute. He is represented by Alexander Gray Associates in New York.

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Luanne E. Witkowski ('86)
Cove, Mixed Materials on Panel
11" x 14"

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