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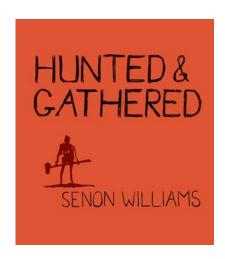
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Press Release HUNTED & GATHERED Senon Williams

Book Launch and Exhibition at Arcana: Books on the Arts — October 7, 2017





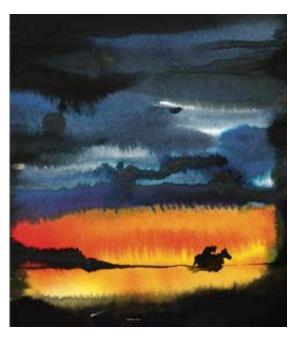
Left: Cover image, *Hunted & Gathered*, published by Hamilton Press, 2017. Right: *Untitled*, ink on paper, 18 x 24 inches. Courtesy of the artist. Photo credit: Marc Walker.

Los Angeles, CA – Hamilton Press is pleased to announce the release of the first published volume of artwork by Senon Williams, *HUNTED & GATHERED*. A beautifully hardbound publication of recent works on paper, the book includes 129 artworks richly reproduced over 208 pages.

Native to Los Angeles, Senon Williams is a lifelong visual artist and musician. Williams' work finds space in the natural, exposing outstanding and devastating stages of human evolution. "To provoke thought, a question works better then answers. I enjoy to start a story I resolve in different ways depending on my mood," says Williams. With imagery ranging from stark silhouettes to lush landscapes and human forms staged in undetermined acts of hope, his pairing of words and imagery suggest deeper meaning. A poignant visualization of the inherent human struggle both ancient and contemporary.

Hamilton Press was established in 1990 by master printmaker Ed Hamilton and artist Ed Ruscha to encourage artists to produce art in a peaceful, unhurried atmosphere. Steeped in traditional book making in a modern age, the publication itself is a fine object created by an esteemed team. Designed by Lorraine Wild and Marina Mills Kitchen of Green Dragon Office, Los Angeles, color separations by Echelon Color, Santa Monica and printed by Dr.Cantz'sche Druckerei Median GmbH, Ostfildern, Germany. The first edition consists of 750 bound copies. There is a limited edition of 50 copies with an original work on paper by the artist.





Left: *Untitled*, ink on paper, 6 x 6 inches. Right: *Untitled*, ink on paper, 8 x 8 inches. Both images Courtesy of the artist. Photo credit: Marc Walker.

BOOK RELEASE EVENT:

Arcana: Books on the Arts will celebrate the arrival of the publication with a book signing and exhibition of original artworks from the book.

Special editions will be available.

4-6 pm, Saturday, 7th of October 2017

Arcana: Books on the Arts 8675 Washington Boulevard Culver City, California 90232 310-458-1499

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- Senon Williams's picto-thoughts, with all their doom, hope and meaning, form a new kind of novel and just the kind of novel I like to read. –Ed Ruscha
- Senon Williams's art and text take one to the edge of the cliff, but before you jump, you go on an incredible journey from the entrance to Hell to something between Heaven down below and high up. The stance of the artist is one of despair, but with a subtle sense of dark humor. There is something Kafka-like about Williams' work where humor and despair are blood brothers. "Hunted & Gathered" the book by Senon Williams is a trip through a landscape of what one could call classic existential issues. Going through the book, and marveling at the images in juxtaposition with the text seems the right thing to do in these days of angst and doubt. "Bullshit Ballet" indeed. —Tosh Berman, author of "Sparks-Tastic" and "The Plum in Mr. Blum's Pudding"
- Teeming with silhouetted figures and outbursts of saturated color, Senon Williams paints a loose and delicate allegorical world, captioned with sometimes-enigmatic phrases. They are strange and simple scenes that recall, all at once, Raymond Pettibon, children's book illustrations and Rorschach inkblots. –Eli Diner, Deputy Editor, Flash Art



Photo of the artist by Oliver Wilson, 2017

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