

## **Artist Statement**

“I realised that our biased memories do more than simply present us with images of our personal history, as it shapes our sense of who and what we are. In doing so, it guides us to form an opinion about ourselves that may not be exactly accurate. As a result, it does little more than help us experience life only as we think we know it.”

## **Biography**

Dion Cupido was born in Mitchells Plain, located in the Western Cape of South Africa. Cupido is largely a self-taught artist. During his early artist days, Cupido experimented with graffiti on the walls of the Cape Flats. Cupido currently lives and works in the city of Cape Town.

## **Exhibition History**

### **Solo Exhibitions**

**2018** - 'Wie Dink Djy is Djy?', Worldart, Cape Town

**2018** - 'In Your Image', Lizamore & Associates, Johannesburg

**2017** - 'Plain Reality', Worldart, Cape Town

**2015** - 'Carnival of Memories', Worldart, Cape Town

**2014** - 'Not a Pretty Picture', Worldart, Cape Town

**2013** - 'Mooi Kinnes & Jas Laaities', Worldart, Cape Town

**2012** - 'Perceptions of Beauty', Worldart, Cape Town

### **Awards**

**2015** - 'SANLAM Portrait Award', Shortlist

**2013** - 'Bright Young Things', ArtAfrica Magazine

**2003** - 'Visual Arts Award', Truworths AMAC Academy