

# STEVE TURNER

## PRESS RELEASE



Material Art Fair, Mexico

February 8–11, 2024

Booth A04

Steve Turner is pleased to participate at the 2024 edition of Material Art Fair with a solo booth by Mexico City-based Omar Mendoza. The artist is presenting recent paintings that utilize his homemade pigments and handmade textured cotton supports. His processes are highly labor-intensive and personal as he painstakingly extracts pigments from plants, flowers and barks found in his parents' home state of Puebla. The resulting works have a mystical quality, one that blends pre-hispanic imagery and processes with the artist's own ideas, dreams, interests and experiences. They are embedded with history but also encompass contemporary ideas and objectives.

Omar Mendoza (born 1993, Mexico City) earned a BA at UNAM, Mexico City (2016) and a diploma from Academy of San Carlos, Mexico City (2018). He had his debut solo exhibition outside Mexico at Steve Turner, Los Angeles (January 2024) and prior to that presented a solo exhibition at the Museum of Anthropology of Xalapa, Veracruz (2023).

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Omar Mendoza

***Serpiente Enjoyada***, 2024

Muitle, brazilwood, kina, zacatlaxcalli, charcoal, spirulina, jonote, blue stick, lemon, beetroot, turmeric, beeswax, rabbit tail on cotton

35 x 28 inches (88.9 x 71.1 cm)

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Omar Mendoza

***Luz de Luna***, 2024

Muitle, brazilwood, kina, zacatlaxcalli, charcoal, spirulina, jonote, blue stick, lemon, beetroot, turmeric, beeswax, rabbit tail on cotton

35 x 28 inches (88.9 x 71.1 cm)

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Omar Mendoza

***Constelación***, 2024

Muitle, brazilwood, kina, zacatlaxcalli, charcoal, spirulina, jonote, alder, lemon, beetroot, beeswax, rabbit tail on cotton

35 x 28 inches (88.9 x 71.1 cm)

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Omar Mendoza

***Magias Oscuras***, 2024

Muitle, brazilwood, kina, alder, zacatlaxcalli, charcoal, spirulina, jonote, lemon, beetroot, beeswax, rabbit tail on cotton

35 x 28 inches (88.9 x 71.1 cm)

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Omar Mendoza

***Serpientes***, 2024

Muitle, brazilwood, kina, zacatlaxcalli, charcoal, spirulina, jonote, blue stick, lemon, beetroot, turmeric, beeswax, rabbit tail on cotton

35 x 28 inches (88.9 x 71.1 cm)

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Omar Mendoza

***Ojo Nocturno***, 2024

Muitle, brazilwood, kina, alder, zacatlaxcalli, charcoal, spirulina, jonote, blue stick, sunflower, lemon, rabbit tail on cotton

32 x 32 inches (81.3 x 81.3 cm)

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