

# STEVE TURNER

PRESS RELEASE



Tyrrell Tapaha: *High Rez*

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Steve Turner is pleased to present *High Rez*, a solo exhibition by Tyrrell Tapaha featuring new weavings that focus on the fluidity and adaptability of Diné (Navajo) weaving for the artist's remix of Diné culture and history with their own experiences. Using hand-processed materials and traditional iconography, Tapaha adds new symbols and ideas to those that precede them.

Tyrrell Tapaha (Diné, born 2001, Goat Springs, Arizona) is a multi-disciplinary artist whose practice is centered around weaving, textiles, and fiber arts. They grew up on the Navajo Nation, where intergenerational pastoral living was passed down by their grandfather, great-grandmother, and other relatives. Working as a sheepherder, Tapaha's process begins with the raising of sheep and ends with a weaving made on a loom. Their textiles are made with raw natural animal and plant fibers, hand-spun and hand-dyed with pigments made from local flora. Their compositions interweave their feelings, memories and experiences with the rich history and imagined future of their community.

Tapaha earned a BA at Northern Arizona University and has had solo exhibitions at The Valley, Taos (2024) and Coconino Center for the Arts, Flagstaff, Arizona (2022). Their work has also been included in group exhibitions at Kasmin Gallery, New York (2024); New Image, West Hollywood (2024); James Fuentes, New York (2023); Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, Santa Fe (2023); Bard Graduate Center, New York (2023); Idyllwild Arts Academy, Idyllwild, California (2022) and Museum of Contemporary Arts, Flagstaff, Arizona (2021). Tapaha continues to live and work in the Four Corners Region of New Mexico and this is their debut solo exhibition with Steve Turner, Los Angeles.

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Tyrrell Tapaha

**Caught In The Web**, 2024

Diné-style tapestry, handspun and vegetal dyed Navajo Churro

38 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> x 40 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches (97.8 x 102.9 cm)

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Tyrrell Tapaha

**Ashkii Something**, 2024

Diné-style tapestry, handspun and vegetal dyed Navajo Churro

28 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> x 34 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inches (73 x 86.7 cm)

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Tyrrell Tapaha

**Fresh Outta Ceremony, Holy As Fuck**, 2024

Diné-style tapestry, handspun and vegetal dyed Navajo Churro

37 x 21 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches (94 x 54.6 cm)

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Tyrrell Tapaha

**Better Don't**, 2024

Diné-style tapestry, handspun and vegetal dyed Navajo Churro

16 x 11 <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inches (40.6 x 29.5 cm)

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