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Thomas Osorio, AI\_Monk, digital painting, 2022

## *Digital Realities* An Exhibition by Thomas Osorio

November 4—December 9, 2022 McClure Gallery, Art Academy of Cincinnati 1212 Jackson St. Cincinnati, OH 45202

Opening Reception: Friday, November 4, 2022, 5-8pm

The Art Academy of Cincinnati is pleased to present *Digital Realities*, an exhibition by AAC Adjunct Professor Thomas Osorio (@thomasaosorio).

**Artist's Statement About the Exhibition:** "Since 2013 I have been experimenting with creating digital pieces of art in Adobe Photoshop and later the iPad's Procreate app. The creation of these works involves a search for imagery which is then copied, pasted, cut out, adjusted, and finally digitally painted on to create complex collage and painterly compositions. These works in many ways start as meditations and reactions to the increasingly complex

physical/virtual worlds that are being built around us. They draw inspiration from dream-like worlds and a blurred distinction between what is real and imaginary."

**About the Artist:** Thomas Osorio is a Cincinnati-based artist who works with glitch, collage, video, and digital painting. He received his MFA from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago in 2018, and has exhibited work in galleries and DIY spaces in New York, Chicago, and Cincinnati, as well as online. Thomas is an adjunct professor in the Foundations department at the Art Academy of Cincinnati.

## **Gallery Hours:**

Monday through Friday 9am—9pm Saturday and Sunday 9am—5pm (Closed November 23—25) Gallery admission and reception are free and open to the public

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