



# SOCIAL SCENE: RJD Gallery Opens 2018 with “A Brief History”

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RJD Gallery welcomed a vibrant crowd to the Bridgehampton art gallery for its 2018 Season Opener “A Brief History.” Held on February 10, 2018, people in attendance included guest exhibition curator Dexter Wimberly, exhibiting artist Jules Arthur, multiple art collectors and members of the Hamptons art community.

“[A Brief History](#)” celebrates Black History Month with art by Jules Arthur, Margaret Bowland, Sylvia Maier, Fahamu Pecou, Phillip Thomas, Alain Vaes and others. Artists selected for the show represent a group of multicultural, cross-generational artists presenting diverse visions of Black identity, according to the gallery. The works also express social and political progress that defined the past half-century while providing a fresh vision for the future, RJD Gallery explained. Click [here](#) to see artworks in the show.

Exhibition curator Dexter Wimberly has curated over 40 shows in his decades-long career. Featuring emerging and mid-career artists, shows have been presented in museums and galleries set around the world including [Museum of Arts and Design](#) (New York), The California African American Museum (Los Angeles) bitforms gallery (New York), Koki Arts gallery (Tokyo); The Third Line gallery (Dubai) and others. He is currently the Executive Director of [Aljira, a Center for Contemporary Art](#), located in Newark, New Jersey.

“A Brief History” will remain on view at RJD Gallery through March 18, 2018. Continue scrolling to see the people who turned out to make the Art Opening a special one.

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Nicola Maggiassioli, Korantemaa Lerbi & Richard J. Demato in front of the installation “Yes, We have Met Before” by Phillip Thomas, 2018. Courtesy of RJD Gallery.

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The crowd at “A Brief History.” Courtesy of RJD Gallery.

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Sarah Virag & Indra Ferraro in front of “The Irresistible Force Paradox” by Alexander Klingsport. Courtesy of RJD Gallery.



Christine Resnik & exhibiting artist Jules Arthur in front of his painting “Borana Beauty.” Courtesy of RJD Gallery.



Larry Satterfield, Richard J. Demato, Sabir Ward with Dexter & Dylan Wimberly. Courtesy of RJD Gallery.



“A Brief History” at RJD Gallery. Courtesy of RJD Gallery.



Frenando Blanco & Vered. Courtesy of RJD Gallery.



RJD Gallery Assistant Director Mago with Tom Dolby and daughters, and Luz Rivarola. Courtesy of RJD Gallery.



RJD Gallery Director Eve Gianni, Laurie Marsden with Tania & Aishlyn Deighton near “Est. 1962” by Phillip Thomas. Courtesy of RJD Gallery.



"A Brief History" at RJD Gallery. Courtesy of RJD Gallery.

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**BASIC FACTS:** "A Brief History" is on view through March 18, 2018. RJD Gallery is located at 2385 Main Street, Bridgehampton, NY 11932. [www.rjdgallery.com](http://www.rjdgallery.com).

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