



AdeY - Uncensored

New exhibition December 4 - January 26, 2022



Galerie XII Los Angeles is excited to welcome British-Swedish multi-disciplinary artist, AdeY, for the first time in USA.

About the artist

Uncensored is a response to the constant censorship by Instagram of his work. AdeY says: *"I have been silenced, harassed, censored and removed by Instagram for sharing my artworks that aim to provoke and challenge the viewer. I implore Instagram to take social responsibility and engage positively in promoting art on their platform."* With a background in performance, choreography and contemporary dance, AdeY's photographic works study subjects such as the human body's balance, strength, and physics. Here they photograph and portray the body in its purest form – bare, undressed, and naked. The work seeks to create a non-sexualized and open-minded representation of humankind, which is based on a dream of acceptance.

A focus and attention to people's right to differences drives the artist's images, and here it is especially the differences that are about physics, gender, race, and sexuality. With a humorous and experimental approach, they seek to highlight our own background and experience of the human body, but it is also to a greater extent the perception of the

viewer and the outside world, which is central to their artistic voice.

AdeY has exhibited widely in Europe including at The Finnish Museum of Photography, Fotogalleri Vasli Souza (Sweden & Norway), and at Unseen (Amsterdam, The Netherlands). His new book **Uncensored** is published in the fall 2021 to coincide with his debut USA show at Galerie XII in Los Angeles.

About Galerie XII

Galerie XII Los Angeles was founded by Valerie-Anne Giscard d'Estaing in 2018. The LA gallery is the brand's third international space, following the debut of Galerie XII Paris in 2007 and Galerie XII Shanghai, which opened in 2017. The editorial line of Galerie XII Los Angeles centers on contemporary figurative photography and its programming aims to exhibit established European and Asian photographers and artists who have not previously shown on the West Coast. The gallery organizes five or six solo exhibitions each year and participates in several art fairs.

