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Walter Lobyn Hamilton What I Have You Have opens in the IMA Galleries on 8/26
Indianapolis-based artist Walter Lobyn Hamilton makes his Newfields debut



Walter Lobyn Hamilton (American, b. 1985), *Rock and Roll: I Wonder What Happened to the Girl Who Said I Listened to White Music*, 2021, wood, vinyl records, vinyl albums, record player, 15.75ft wide x 7.5ft tall x 6in deep. Loan from the artist. © Walter Lobyn Hamilton.

INDIANAPOLIS, August 15, 2023—On August 26, 2023, a new exhibition titled [Walter Lobyn Hamilton What I Have You Have](#) will debut in The Indianapolis Museum of Art at Newfields. This compelling exhibition by Indianapolis-based artist Walter Lobyn Hamilton is a visual memoir of interconnectivity through time, experience, genre, family, locality and memory.

Walter Lobyn Hamilton is a self-taught visual artist who creates representational collages with vinyl records and album covers. He is known for his renderings of political and social figures, social movements, cultural and musical icons. Since receiving his first set of turntables at age 15, Hamilton has amassed a record collection of over 30,000 LPs.

What I Have You Have will feature six monumental collages made entirely from vinyl records and album covers, some of which were collected from Newfields guests. All six works of art are more than 10 feet wide and 7 feet tall, covering the gallery walls and immersing viewers in Hamilton's world. Four of the six works are loans from Hamilton, and two works were specifically commissioned by Newfields for this exhibition. In conjunction with Record Store Day, Newfields collected 600 album donations for use in the two commissioned artworks.

Guests are encouraged to digitally disconnect and be present with Hamilton's work. The exhibition will feature a playlist curated by music historian Kyle Long and Lobyn Hamilton. The experience extends off-site with three unique activations in collaboration with community partners at the Central Library, the University of Indianapolis and the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra.

The exhibition explores his other passions, including his newest project [B-SIDE Creative Campus](#), an Indy-based project providing subsidized live/workspaces for emerging, established and under-served artists and creators from various disciplines.

Hamilton's work has been featured in exhibitions and shows at Art Basel Miami, Herron School of Art + Design, Long-Sharp Gallery, Indiana State Museum and featured on the hit TV show, Empire Records. Learn more about Walter Lobyn Hamilton at vinylrecordartist.com.

What I Have You Have is curated by external curator Sheba Kane Collective. Sheba Kane Collective is a creative-run collective that seeks collaborations within the creative spectrum and subsidizes living and workspaces for visual, performing and literary artists. They are an anonymous group of creatives, professionals and misfits from all walks of life, skill, age, gender, ethnicity, ability and background focused on *sustainable disruption*.

Celebrate the opening of *What I Have You Have* at a reception on Saturday, August 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. The reception is free for everyone and will include light appetizers, a cash bar, live music and remarks. [Tickets](#) are recommended but not required.

What I Have You Have will be on view in the Gerald and Dorit Paul Galleries on Floor 3 of the IMA Galleries from August 26, 2023 to May 19, 2024.

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About Newfields:

Newfields offers dynamic experiences with art and nature for guests of all ages. The 152-acre cultural campus features art galleries, lush gardens, a historic home, performance spaces, a nature preserve and sculpture park. From inspiring exhibitions in the IMA Galleries, to concerts in The Toby, to a stroll through The Garden with a glass of something cold, guests are invited to interact with art and nature in exciting new ways. Newfields is home to the Indianapolis Museum of Art, among the ten largest and ten oldest general art museums in the nation; the Lilly House, a National Historic Landmark; The Garden, featuring 40 acres of contemporary and historic gardens, a working greenhouse and an orchard; and The Virginia B. Fairbanks Art & Nature Park, one of the largest art and nature parks in the country. The Newfields campus extends outside of Indianapolis with Miller House and Garden in Columbus, Ind.—one of the nation's most highly regarded examples of mid-century Modernist architecture. For more information, visit DiscoverNewfields.org.

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