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**Hermes Berrio: Civitas**

January 18 - February 15, 2025

Opening Reception: Saturday January 18, 6-8pm

Gallery Hours: Tuesday - Saturday, 11am-5pm

**LAKE WORTH BEACH, FL** — mtn space gallery is pleased to present *Civitas*, a solo exhibition of work by multi-media artist Hermes Berrio.



Hermes Berrio, *I Can Hear the Music Now*, 2022, mixed media on canvas, 80 x 96 inches

From standing in the alcohol aisle at Publix while recovering from addiction, to the steadiness of the neighborhood ice cream truck, Berrio's practice casts all of South Florida — Miami specifically — under the unflinching gaze of a local.

Emphasizing both the mundane and extraordinary, Berrio's work is both deeply personal and documentary in nature, stemming from photography and conceptual surveys of his surroundings. By employing a large scale, Berrio also represents a commanding, monumental, and unpretentious vision of urban life — one that captures what it means to be a part of this rapidly-changing community.

**Hermes Berrio** (b. 1980, Colombia) currently lives and works in Miami. He received his BFA from New York University in 2005. In recent years, he has exhibited his work internationally and completed many mural projects in the city of Miami. He has been awarded the Pollock-Krasner Foundation Grant, The Ruth and Harold Chenven Foundation Grant, and the Miami Individual Artist Grant. He was also a resident of Fountainhead Studios from 2019-24. His work has been featured in *Hyperallergic*, *Hi-Fructose*, and *Medium*, among others.

**About mtn space gallery** — Founded in 2020 by Melissa Delprete, mtn space is a contemporary art space located within a carefully renovated 1951 art deco cornerstone of Lake Worth Beach. Melissa and Gallery Director Tina Caso are committed to exhibiting emerging and established artists who are deeply rooted in their practice and whose work is informed by the greater global arts community. For information, updates, and to stay current on events, please join our mailing list at [mtnspace.com/gallery](https://mtnspace.com/gallery) or follow us on Instagram: @mtnspacegallery



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