

Timothy Cummings

The Saints and Sinners
Literary Festival to Feature
Artist Timothy Cummings



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The Saints and Sinners Literary Festival is excited to feature the work of artist TIMOTHY CUMMINGS on the cover of our 2018 Fiction Anthology and the cover of our 2018 SAS Festival program guide as part of our 15th anniversary celebration.

Cummings' art will be on display at Funeral Gallery, 811 Royal Street in the French Quarter. The exhibition, opening Dec. 9 at 6 pm, features new paintings by Cummings inspired by the ephemera of bygone Mardi Gras parades and balls. Fittingly, it continues through Mardi Gras Day, February 13, 2018.

Cummings journeyed to New Orleans through the My Good Judy Foundation, which provides residencies for artists seeking to produce a body of work or performance in New Orleans that addresses culture-making from an LGBTQ perspective.

"Much of the inspiration for these portraits is from being in close proximity to the spirits of my favorite writers, Tennessee Williams and Truman Capote. They shaped my early adolescence. They offer a magical telling of the spirit of this place. The darkness and humor of life and the queer Southern aesthetic shows up in my work as well. Williams' 'garrulous grotesque' replacing the bleak mundane of the world with a lush queer poetic eye for The Shadows is part of my focus," Cummings said.