

# Him Pierre Alex Jeanty: Haitian-American Artist and Activist

## Early Life and Influences

Him Pierre Alex Jeanty was born in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, in 1984. He grew up in a family of artists, and at a young age, he was introduced to the power of art as a means of expression and social change. Jeanty's early influences included Haitian painters such as Hector Hyppolite and Philomé Obin, as well as international artists like Jean-Michel Basquiat and Keith Haring.



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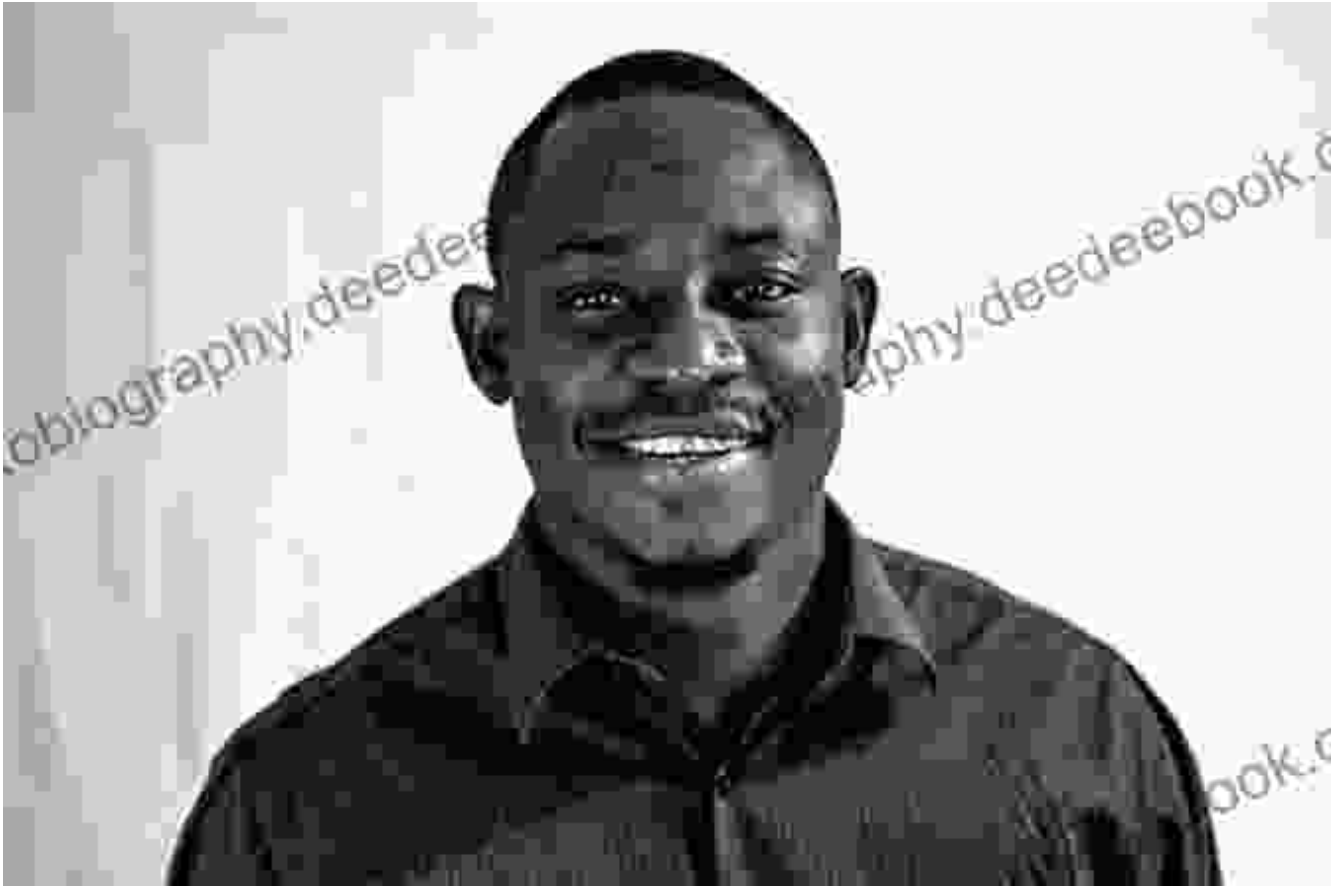
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## **Emigration to the United States**

In 1994, Jeanty and his family emigrated to the United States. They settled in New York City, where Jeanty attended the High School of Art & Design. It was during his time in high school that he began to develop his own unique style of painting, which combined elements of Haitian folk art, graffiti, and contemporary expressionism.



Him Pierre Alex Jeanty in high school in New York City.

## **Art for Social Change**

Jeanty's art is deeply rooted in his experiences as a Haitian-American and his commitment to social justice. He often uses his paintings to address issues of race, class, inequality, and migration. Jeanty's work has been

featured in numerous exhibitions around the world, and he has received wide recognition for his powerful and thought-provoking art.

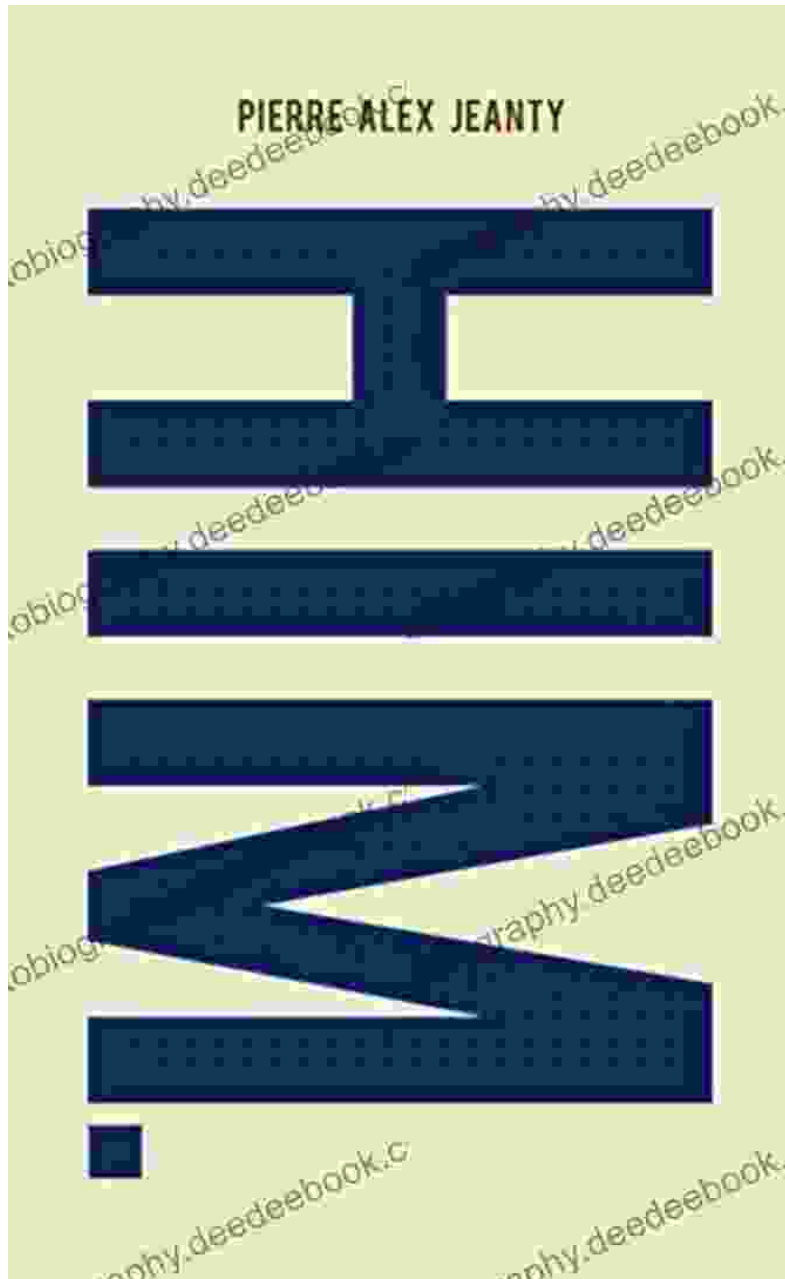
### **Activism and Community Involvement**

In addition to his artwork, Jeanty is also a passionate activist. He is a co-founder of the Haitian Artists Assembly, an organization dedicated to promoting Haitian art and culture in the United States. Jeanty also works closely with various community organizations in New York City, where he mentors young artists and advocates for social change.



## Recognition and Awards

Jeanty's contributions as an artist and activist have earned him widespread recognition and awards. In 2017, he was named one of the "30 Under 30" artists by Forbes magazine. Jeanty has also received grants and fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Joan Mitchell Foundation, and the Studio Museum in Harlem.



Him Pierre Alex Jeanty featured in Forbes magazine as one of the "30 Under 30" artists.

Him Pierre Alex Jeanty is a remarkable artist and activist who uses his platform to raise awareness about important social issues and inspire positive change. His work is a powerful testament to the transformative

power of art and the importance of using one's voice for the betterment of society.

## Further Reading

- Him Pierre Alex Jeanty: 30 Under 30 2018 - Art & Style
- Studio Museum In Harlem: Meet the 2016-17 Artists-in-Residence
- 10 Contemporary Artists You Need to Know



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