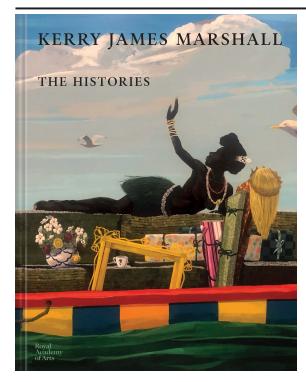


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In his lyrical figurative paintings and murals, the internationally acclaimed artist Kerry James Marshall HON RA (b. 1955) places Black faces and bodies front and centre in compositions founded on the principles of Western picture-making. He uses memories, art-historical styles and genres and contemporary culture and science fiction to comment on the past, celebrate everyday life and imagine a more optimistic future.

This book records the largest UK survey of the artist's work to date, and includes some 70 images, among them a new series of paintings and Marshall's commemorative sculpture Wake, which evolves every time it is exhibited.

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