

# HAWKINS HQ

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## *Weight*

Rosa Duffy, Cody Tumblin, Davion Alston, Graham Kernz, Luca Soldovieri, Philip Patton, Jackson Markovic, David Onri Anderson.

**On view:** October 5 – November 24

**Opening Reception:** October 5 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm

**Atlanta, Georgia – Hawkins Headquarters** is pleased to announce its first exhibition in its brand new renovated exhibition space. *Weight* Opening October 5th, with a reception from 6 - 9 pm, and coinciding with Atlanta Art Fair and Atlanta Art Week this marks a new and exciting chapter in Hawkins Headquarters history.

I've never thrown out a flower I was given. They all continue to hold a small space in my life, pinned to the walls of my home or steadily held in glass vases. Other bouquets are carefully wrapped and put somewhere I know they'll be safe. They've made every move I have ever made, each time I move they're placed gently in their own special box before being wrapped with tape and put in the front seat of my car so I can have an eye on them at all times. The flowers have a physical weight I've carried throughout my life but also an emotional weight to them as well.

For the past 2 years the gallery has been collecting flowers from everyone; friends, family, the community, total strangers. Each flower it gets tells a different story, some arrangements were gathered by friends at the park, boutonnieres from proms others are given to the gallery after break ups, divorces or losses. One bouquet of roses has not a single petal or leaf left on the stem, this set of roses turns 60 this year as they've been kept from a wedding that took place in the summer of 1964 and were gifted to the gallery by a gentleman who lost his wife a few years prior and no longer wanted to hold onto the weight of them anymore.

*Weight* at Hawkins Headquarters brings together this collection of flowers it has accumulated with seven artists who are currently making work that explores the same kind of weight these flowers hold.