



# AGUA

BY DENISSE ARIANA PÉREZ

**Doyle Wham is excited to present Agua: a solo exhibition of Denisse Ariana Pérez. The exhibition takes place from the 14-20th of August 2023 at a private luxury waterfront location in Mykonos, Greece.**

This marks the first exhibition of the celebrated artist and filmmaker in Greece, as well as the first international pop-up hosted by London-based contemporary art gallery Doyle Wham. The exhibition highlights 19 artworks from Pérez's monumental project and photobook, Agua.

Pérez feels an affinity with water that has inspired her to capture its essence, power and beauty across the world. In the artist's own words: *"I keep coming back to water scenes. I keep coming back to lakes, rivers and oceans. I like to explore the interaction of people with water. Water can disarm even the most armed of facades. Becoming one with water is not about rushing but rather about flowing. And flowing is the closest thing to being."*

*This large ongoing body of work has taken me through different corners of the world on an aquatic pilgrimage, from the cold waters of Scandinavia to the pink rivers of Senegal. In these versatile waters, I have captured men, women, siblings, people living with albinism, and non-binary beings. Through my images, I aim to showcase people through a more sensible and sensitive lens, one that shows nuance, vulnerability, and movement."*

Also on show is the short film *Tide In Tide Out*. Filmed in Greece, it is an ode to the Mediterranean communities that live in unison with the surrounding sea. *"The film is a reflection on how similar we are to water and how it breathes just like we do - if we only decide to listen to it"* says Pérez.

The exhibition takes over the interior and exterior locations of the venue, a luxury property that will be opened to the public for the first time. Agua is free to visit and open by appointment from the 14th to the 20th of August. Doyle Wham founders Imme Dattenberg-Doyle and Sofia Carreira Wham will be leading daily sunset tours and collaborating with existing institutions on the island.

*To schedule a visit or for press enquires, please contact [hello@doylewham.com](mailto:hello@doylewham.com).*

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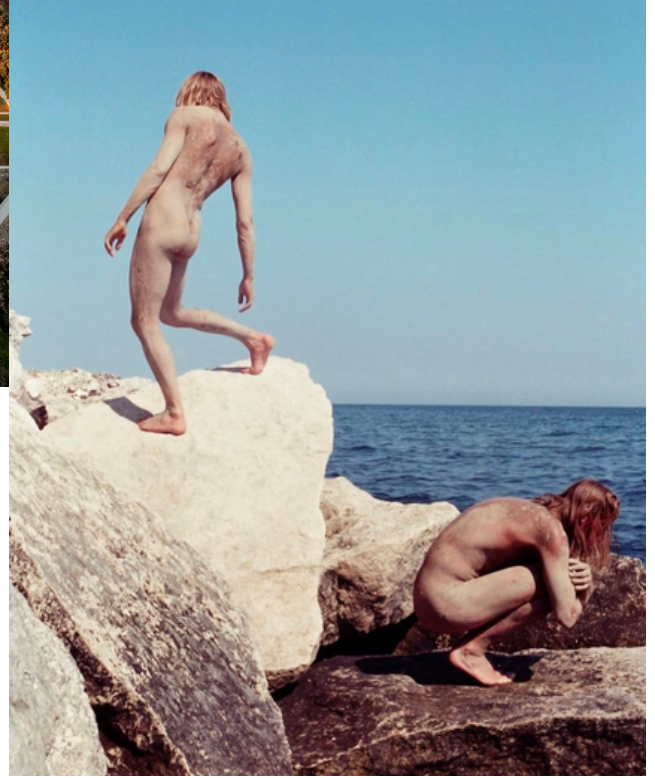
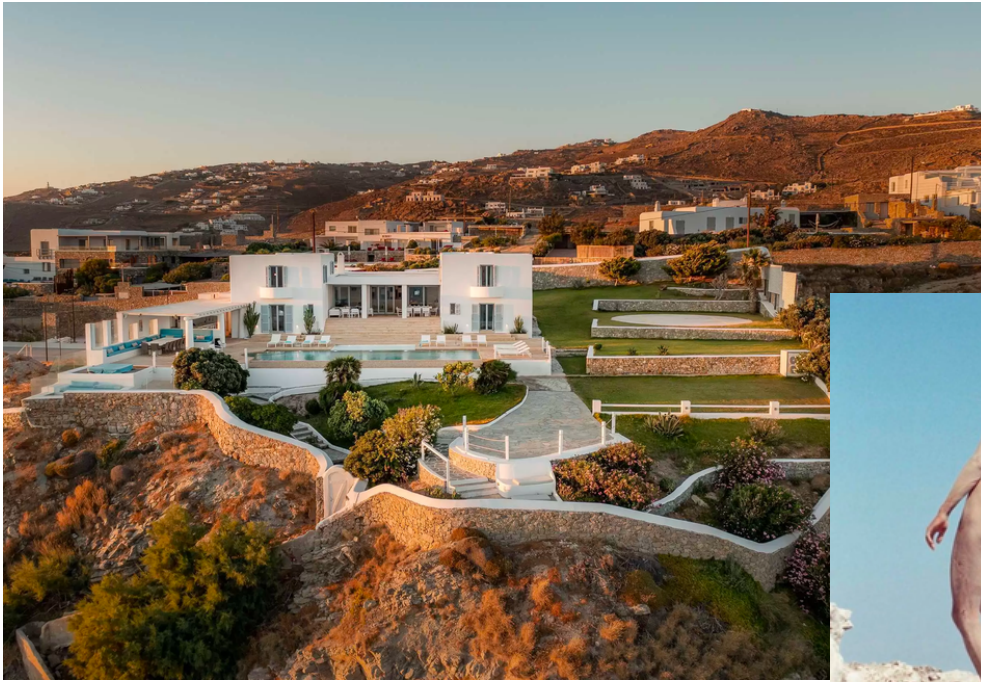
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## ABOUT DENISSE ARIANA PÉREZ | @DENISSEAPS

Denisse Ariana Pérez is a Caribbean-born, Barcelona-based multi-disciplinary artist. Her work focuses on the interaction between people, nature, gender, culture, and words. She has exhibited internationally, including at Fotografiska New York/Stockholm, Photo London, Photo Australia, Photo Zürich, and Foto Europea.

Pérez's photographs have been featured in prestigious publications such as Dazed, It's Nice That, i-D, The Guardian, British Journal of Photography, Atmos, VOGUE Italia, Marie Claire, El Pais, Elephant Magazine, VICE, Paper Journal, Hunger and Another Magazine.

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## ABOUT DOYLE WHAM | @DOYLEWHAM

Doyle Wham is the UK's first and only contemporary African photography gallery, founded in 2020 and based in Shoreditch, London. The gallery exhibits both emerging and established artists from Africa and across the African diaspora. The intersection of photography and culture, including fashion, art and music, is a particular focus of the gallery's programme. The gallery also aims to nurture a new generation of collectors, by operating at a wide range of price points and offering curatorial and advisory services.

Doyle Wham's roster of represented artists includes Trevor Stuurman, Yannis Davy Guibinga, Angèle Etoundi Essamba, Umseme Uyakhuluma, Morgan Otagburuagu, Puleng Mongale and Water Dixon. Alongside rotating exhibitions, the gallery participates in major art fairs both in the UK and internationally, including 1-54, Photo London, Abuja Art Week, RMB Latitudes (Johannesburg) and Scope Miami.

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