



*Charly Palmer, I Am A Man, 2006. Acrylic on wood with mixed media.
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A simple yet poignant statement - "I Am A Man."

We find ourselves searching for words to adequately convey the emotion we feel as yet another name is added to the list of Black lives unjustly taken. There simply are none.

It is our hope that the rightful outrage over George Floyd's death becomes a catalyst for the uncomfortable conversations and realizations that must be had for real social change to occur. Our institutions thrive when we lean in to our collective humanity and stand together to honor our differences. Through the power of art, we encourage expression and generate mutual understanding. We renew our resolve to be a place for community support, growth, and healing.

With eyes and hearts and arms wide open, we know society can do better. We must do better.

United,

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