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Isaac Julien, Serenade (Lessons of The Hour), 2019, matte archival paper back-mounted face on aluminum.

In his new 10-screen film installation *Lessons of the Hour* (2019), Isaac Julien focuses on the life and work of the 19th-century abolitionist Frederick Douglass. Relying on a combination of digital and film cinematography, Julien offers a series of vignettes that bring to life Douglass's encounters with a variety of figures, among them the photographer J. P. Ball and the suffragist Susan B. Anthony. Alongside the installation, Metro Pictures is showing color photographs related to the film, found archival images, and original tintype portraits from a series called "Lyrics of Sunshine and Shadow."