Lou Grant is an African American artist who lives and works in Harlem. His series of portraits of baseball players remembered reflects the spirit of another time. Grant, a talented baseball player himself, first attended Negro League games as a child in the late 1930s and 1940s. He recalls that baseball games were a community event and families put on their finest clothes and packed picnics for Sunday double-headers. Players were idealized figures and fans followed their careers as they moved from team to team in the Negro Baseball League and, in later years, into Major League baseball. Grant attended the High School of Art and Design and Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art in New York City, and is still a Dodger fan.