

Mother Earth Exhibition, Curated by Virginia Shore and Sarah Tanguy, to Open This June at Meridian International Center

WASHINGTON, D.C., USA, May 29, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Exhibition of more than 30 Artworks by 18 Artists showcases the critical role of artists in shaping the climate narrative; On View June 13, 20, and 27 and July 11, 2024.

The <u>Meridian Center for Cultural Diplomacy</u> is partnering with Virginia Shore and Sarah Tanguy to present a groundbreaking multimedia exhibition by some of the most influential women artists around the world. Mother Earth will fill Meridian's Cafritz Galleries at the historic White-Meyer House with an engaging array of drawings, paintings, textiles, works on paper, photographs, sculptures, installations, and videos to highlight the stark reality of the climate crisis through the <u>vision of women artists on June 13, 20, and 27 and July 11, 2024</u>.

"The climate crisis is no longer a distant threat; it is a stark reality that demands our immediate attention. Our planet is undergoing unprecedented changes that include rising global temperatures and sea levels, extreme weather events, and the loss of biodiversity. In a time when the enormity of this crisis can be overwhelming, art provides a means to process and channel our emotions, engendering a sense of ownership and empowerment," shared Shore and Tanguy.

By confronting uncomfortable truths through artistic expression, curators Shore and Tanguy and Mother Earth artists create the foundation for a deeper connection to the environment, a greater sense of urgency to protect our natural world, and a more holistic vision for a sustainable future.

Artists with work on view in Mother Earth include:

- Ana Teresa Barboza
- Andrea Bowers
- Kate Capshaw
- Nanibah "Nani" Chacon (Diné)
- Rebecca Clark
- · Ariamna Contino
- Elsabé Johnson Dixon
- Liza Faktor
- Bienvenue Fotso

- Bea Fremderman
- · Erica Gajewski
- Jenny Holzer
- Katie Kehoe
- Maya Lin
- Cynthia Minet
- Neha Misra | 0000 000000
- Lisa Tubach
- Marie Watt (Seneca)

"Mother Earth is not merely an exhibition; it's a catalyst for change. It reinforces artists as agents of transformation, driving constructive dialogue and inspiring action. This exhibition serves as both a way to amplify voices for climate action and pave the way towards a greener, more resilient world, but also showcase the power artists have in shaping narratives that address global challenges," shared TK Harvey, Vice President of the Meridian Center for Cultural Diplomacy.

"With great passion and poetry, the artists in Mother Earth deftly balance destruction, beauty, and regeneration, rekindling our sense of hope and wonder and inspiring us to face the climate crisis anew," notes Tanguy.

Mother Earth is generously underwritten by Stephanie and Mark Robinson and is part of a suite of cultural diplomacy programming in Meridian's 2024 calendar and the 10th anniversary of the Meridian Center for Cultural Diplomacy. On June 5, Meridian will launch its 4th annual Culturefix program that begins with a slate of cultural diplomacy conversations and evening awards celebration, co-chaired by Sarah Arison and Sue Hostetler Wrigley and artistic co-chairs Luke Frazier and Robert Pullen. Awardees this year include artist Jeffrey Gibson, musicians Gloria and Emilio Estefan, and athlete Lorrie Fair. Additional events include an Artist Talk on June 13 featuring Neha Misra and Andrea Bowers in conversation with Sarah Tanguy, generously underwritten by Lugano Diamonds, and on June 20, a contemporary dance performance with Washington, DC-based dance ensemble Company E, with support from the DC Commission on Arts and Humanities. Mother Earth will be the third exhibition under the Culturefix umbrella, with 2023 hosting the For Freedoms artist collective, including Hank Willis Thomas, and 2021 hosting a solo exhibition of Fred Tomaselli. Meridian will also be co-hosting an Artist Talk featuring Jeffrey Gibson (Choctaw/Cherokee) with the Hirshhorn on Tuesday, June 4, at 7:00 PM at the Ring Auditorium.

High-resolution press images are available upon request. Press interested in covering the June 13th Artist Talk or the June 5th Conversations or Awards Dinner must contact Danielle Najjar dnajjar@meridian.org by May 31 to apply for credentials.

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