Matriarchs: Art Exhibition Opening

@ Enriched Bread Artists (951 Gladstone Ave.) SATURDAY AUGUST 10 2:00pm – 5:00pm



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Curated by Christopher Wong

Featuring Artists:
Natasha Keating + Asinnajaq

Exhibition Dates: Sat./Sun. Aug. 10 & 11 Fri./Sat./Sun. Aug. 16, 17, & 18 12-5pm each day

Facebook Event:



ma·tri·arch /ˈmātrēˌärk/

Noun

A woman who is the head of a family or tribe. An woman who is powerful within a family or organization.

Synonyms: female ruler, mother, queen, head of the family, dignified woman, grande dame, ancestress

Natasha Keating (Maori) and **Asinnajaq** (Inuit) are both Indigenous artists creating strong, positive representations of women, restoring traditional arts, and telling stories that overcome stereotypes and celebrate their respective cultures in a way that empowers women. Natasha's work reclaims images of Maori women captured in mythology using recycled native wood, infusing imagery of traditional Tā moko (sacred tattoos) and native animals. Asinnajaq's work celebrates women through examining the Inuit practice of tunniit (traditional tattoos), and explores relationships with land, history, and culture in unique ways, by embracing traditions as well as concepts of Indigenous futurisms. Although both artists reside on opposite sides of the world, they share a history of colonialism and resilience, a sense of beauty and mystery, which align their works across space and cultures. They meet once again to collaborate on this new exhibition that continues a dialogue that began in Aotearoa (New Zealand) in the summer of 2018.

About EBA:

Enriched Bread Artists (EBA) is a multivalent collective of diverse Ottawa artists. The collective takes its name from the fact that the cooperatively run studio group is located in a former bread factory. Originally formed in 1992 by graduates of the University of Ottawa, the member artists have changed over time, in an ongoing artistic ferment. EBA is an art studio and an artistic laboratory. Today EBA is the biggest artist studio co-op building in the Ottawa region. Artists in the collective show their work locally, nationally and internationally. EBA operates two artist-run galleries showing local and international artists.

- •Free Event
- Artists in Attendance!
- •DJ / Snacks / Cash Bar
- Free shuttle bus to Artscourt at 5:00pm

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