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MPA Announces New Exhibitions Opening September 26 First exhibitions in the newly re-opened MPA@MCC will feature "An Fharraige Fheargach: The Fiery Sea" (works by Meghan Walsh) and "Some Pieces of the Nature of Things: Drawings by Miriam Mörsel Nathan"

McLean, VA: McLean Project for the Arts (MPA) opens two new exhibitions on Thursday, September 26 in the Emerson and Atrium Galleries at MPA@MCC. An *Fharraige Fheargach: The Fiery Sea* by Meghan Walsh and Some Pieces of the Nature of Things: Drawings by Miriam Mörsel Nathan are the first shows in MPA@MCC since the re-opening of the newly renovated McLean Community Center. The September 26 Opening Exhibition Reception will take place from 7-9pm in MPA's Emerson and Atrium Galleries.

"MPA is excited to be back in our beautiful Emerson Gallery and Atrium Gallery spaces at the McLean Community Center," said Lori Carbonneau, MPA Executive Director. "We're looking forward to welcoming our arts community back to see the work of these two amazing artists."



Pictured: Meghan Walsh, "Mamihlapinatapai", top; Miriam Mörsel Nathan, untitled, bottom)

Emerson Gallery

An Fharraige Fheargach: The Fiery Sea Works by Meghan Walsh

Meghan's organically shaped stone and mixed media mosaic sculptures appear to twist and turn, as if trying to slide right off the wall. These hand formed objects are made in partnership with the stone, capturing and encapsulating a sense of past experience, like glaciers or frozen time capsules. Walsh describes the works, which strongly reference landscape, as "primordial connectors or archives of wisdom." They speak of our quickly changing world, tapping into a deep historical perspective as they point out the dignity and beauty found in the communion of unexpected objects.

McLean Project for the Arts.

Atrium Gallery

Some Pieces of the Nature of Things: Drawings by Miriam Mörsel Nathan

Miriam Mörsel Nathan will exhibit drawings on paper that combine fragmented landscape references, abstract marks and field, and sensitive, meandering line work. Drawing on her background as a poet, the calligraphic and fluid musicality of the written word is sometimes included in the composition as well.

An Fharraige Fheargach: The Fiery Sea and *Some Pieces of the Nature of Things* run September 19 through November 16, 2019 at MPA@MCC. RSVP for the September 26 Opening Exhibition at <u>mpaart.org</u>.

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MPA Exhibits, Educates and Inspires

McLean Project for the Arts (MPA) is one of the mid-Atlantic region's most respected contemporary visual arts organizations. MPA provides high-quality art exhibitions showcasing the work of established and emerging artists, educational programs, art classes, MPAartfest, summer art camps, and ArtReach, an award-winning program serving students in grades K – 12, seniors, and individuals with special needs. For more information, visit <u>www.mpaart.org</u>.