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MAYA SEAS

Currents

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Opening Reception: Friday, July 21st, 5-8 PM

Anna Zorina Gallery is pleased to present *Currents*, Maya Seas' debut solo exhibition with the gallery. The show will feature the artist's latest series of paintings, which explore the sacred and intimate dimensions of life. Imbued with rituals, prayers and secrets, these scenes revive the timelessness of natural rhythms that our high-paced, quickly changing world attempts to bury. In these paintings, the boundaries between self and nature blur.

Like one floating in a placid waters, *Currents* evokes the transcendent serenity of nature's embrace. However, these artworks are not merely visual representations. They are portals into the depths of nature's currents. In Seas' timeless, immersive scenes, viewers are invited to unloose from the distractions of the modern world and to bow to the regenerative beauty of the wind, the waves, the creatures surrounding them. For instance, the painting *Learning To Fly* is a powerful and heartwarming depiction of a young child enjoying the simple pleasure of life. A child, perhaps a young artist herself, wearing a white dress, with her bare feet on the sand is surrounded by frolicking birds in the magic moment of sunrise elevating the spirits high. It is a celebration of childhood innocence and nature - a true free spirit.

In *Currents*, viewers find solace, inspiration, and a renewed feeling of connection with the natural world. Drawing on her background in film and video arts, Seas' paintings often convey the movement and energy of a filmic image. Here, the story is left open to interpretation, encouraging the viewer's mind to fill in narrative details while soaking in the healing energy that can be found in the wilderness.

MAYA SEAS was born in 1991 and currently lives and works in Los Angeles, California. She received her BA in *Humanities and Culture* at Hampshire College, Amherst, Massachusetts (2013). Her work has been exhibited in numerous solo and group shows including those at: *Between Us*, UTA in Los Angeles (2021), *BOTHO* Art Collective, in Los Angeles (2022), *Border Kindness* in Charlie James Gallery, Los Angeles (2022) and *Pakistan Flood Relief Art Auction Fundraiser*, at Savan Collective in New York (2022), to name a few.

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