

ENTANGLED

featuring:

Layered Histories: Perspectives on Colonization from the Chaco by Miriam Rudolph
Drawings by Artes Vivas Indigenous Art Collective



Mission, Miriam Rudolph



Untitled, Esteban Klassen (Artes Vivas)

Previous exhibitions at MHC Gallery have explored the cultural, political, and social landscapes that prompted many Mennonites to leave the Canadian prairies for southern locales in the early 20th century. Now, a new pair of exhibitions considers a different perspective.

Entangled, running September 22nd – November 4th at MHC Gallery asks us to explore what new relationships are built when communities intertwine, but also what might be lost and also what might be displaced when migrants settle in a new location, particularly in this case, the Paraguayan Chaco.

The exhibition features **Layered Histories: Perspectives from the Chaco** by Miriam Rudolph. The Winnipeg-based printmaker considers her childhood in Paraguay, her ancestral roots, and broader ideas about colonization in this work.

At the same time, **Artes Vivas** will display a collection of drawings. The Indigenous collective of artists from the Cayin ô Clim and Yiclôcat missions in Paraguay explore ancestral knowledge, settle-colonial relations, and land-based relationships in this collection of folk-art inspired works. The original Artes Vivas drawings will be available for sale, with all proceeds going directly back to support the artists in this vulnerable area.

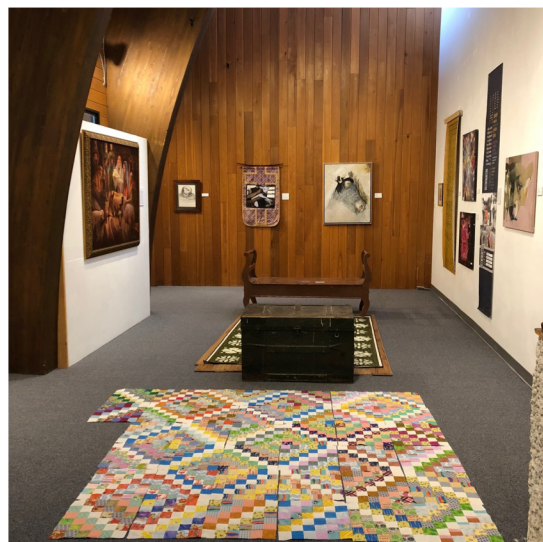
It is our hope that these two exhibitions will spark radical dialogue about complex relationships, and ultimately considerations of reconciliation.

Meetings and Events

Did you know the Gallery Classroom is available for rent?

One of our former rental groups, *The Gallery Quilters*, shares this memorial to a friend...

For about 10 years, Saturday visitors to the MHC Gallery may have encountered Val Pankratz and the Gallery Quilters in the upper-level studio space. We gathered once a month, sharing ideas, laughter and snacks, sometimes spilling over to the mezzanine level as we worked on our quilts. Visitors looking at the gallery's exhibits would often wander into the studio room to ask questions, and Val become the unofficial tour guide. Val loved to quilt, but even more, she loved to quilt with her friends, piecing together a huge network of quilters in Winnipeg and beyond.



Laying out quilt blocks on the gallery floor.
Photos by Brenda Suderman

These meetings continued until the pandemic shutdowns of March 2020. By the time CMU was open to public gatherings again, Val was dealing with serious cancer, so we moved our meetings to her condo building to help finish her last quilts. Valerie Ann (Heppner) Pankratz died on June 24, 2023, leaving behind her husband Doug, their four children and families, and many quilting friends. *(Contributed by Brenda Suderman, for the Gallery Quilters)*

Join us at the 25th Anniversary Fall Fundraiser and Gathering

Thursday October 5, 2023 at 7:30pm at MHC Gallery

Our fall gathering is a time for the people who value this space to celebrate and offer gifts for the year. In addition to marking this milestone, we will learn about the opportunities and challenges ahead. Help us celebrate with grateful hearts as we share conversations, food and drink, music and more. Please RSVP by September 22nd to mhcgallery@cmu.ca or (204) 487-3300 ext. 344

Coming up...

Stimulus-Response

by *Drawn Together* artist collective

November 10 - December 9, 2023

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