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Plains Art Museum featured exhibition: Waŋna niš niyepi: Continuity of Culture, Crow's Shadow

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Fargo, North Dakota – Plains Art Museum, in partnership with Crow's Shadow Institute for the Arts, is honored to bring *Continuity of Culture* to the Fred Donath Jr. Memorial Gallery through February 22, 2023.

This exhibition highlights contemporary prints from Crow's Shadow's permanent collection in conversation with Indigenous objects from Plains Art Museum's permanent collection. Pairing these artworks brings layers of complex narratives across time and space, reinforcing contemporary Indigenous experience.

Despite Indigenous People's historical (dis)placement by modern society, the historic items from the collection were created by contemporary people of their day, and these artworks still serve the same function within Indigenous culture today as it did ten, fifty, or over a century ago. Crow's Shadow's prints by contemporary art stars Marie Watt, Wendy



Red Star, Jeffery Gibson, Raven Chacon, and many more reflect the continuity of culture, but also a need for contemporary artists to express themselves as individuals.

Supporting programs for this exhibition include a Soapstone Carving workshop on November 4-6 with Inkpa Mani and Embellished Birchbark Basketry with Penny Kagigebi on Saturday November 12. For more information about class times, cost, and member discounts, visit https://plainsart.org/exhibitions/wanna-nis-niyepi/.

This exhibition is made possible through the support of the Terra Foundation for American Art.

Plains Art Museum is the largest art museum in the Dakotas and Western Minnesota. It is general admission free and educationally-focused thanks to strong and growing support from over 800 households and businesses. The Museum manages a permanent collection of over 4,000 objects, organizes and presents dozens of annual exhibitions, facilitates public art projects, and leads over 200 educational programs and experiences for all ages each year. The Museum, and its Katherine Kilbourne Burgum Center for Creativity, are located at 704 First Avenue North in downtown Fargo. For more information about visiting or supporting your art museum, visit plainsart.org.

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Wendy Red Star, Her Dreams Are True (Julia Bad Boy), 2020, Lithograph, 20 ¼ x 20 in, Edition of 25

