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PALM SPRINGS ART MUSEUM ANNOUNCES WINTER OUTBURST ARTIST

Los Angeles-based Alake Shilling is latest emerging artist featured in program

PALM SPRINGS, CA (December 7, 2023) Palm Springs Art Museum has announced the latest participant in the Outburst Projects program for emerging artists. [Outburst: Alake Shilling](#) will present works by the Los Angeles-based painter and sculptor from January 27 – August 5, 2024.

Known for her colorful paintings and sculptures of imagined creatures and landscapes, Shilling creates whimsical artworks across media. Utilizing a variety of artistic and unconventional materials, she renders expressive figures conveying a wide range of emotions. Her personified plants, insects, and animals take inspiration from childhood memories of animated characters and are influenced by Pop art, California Funk art, and other contemporary artistic movements.

Exhibition curator **Sharissa Iqbal** says, “Alake Shilling’s works brim with colorful exuberance and playfulness. Drawing from a range of craft materials and techniques, she shapes dynamic fictional worlds and beings. At once joyful and fanciful, the characters that inhabit her imaginative environments also reveal a variety of complex feelings and states of mind.

The museum launched the Outburst program at the beginning of 2022 with Los Angeles-based artists **Mr. Wash** and **Devin Reynolds** as the inaugural participants. The second iteration featured five Southern California artists, including **Gabriela Ruiz**, **Karla Ekatherine Canseco**, **Maria Maea**, **Ruben Ulises Rodriguez Montoya**, and **Clara Nieblas**, while New York-based artist **Tajh Rust** was exhibited in spring of 2023.

Outburst: Alake Shilling is curated by Sharrissa Iqbal, Associate Curator, Modern & Contemporary Art, Palm Springs Art Museum.

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About Palm Springs Art Museum

Palm Springs Art Museum is the largest cultural institution in the Coachella Valley. The flagship building, located in downtown Palm Springs, features compelling art exhibitions, a vast permanent collection, and the Annenberg Theater, all in a 150,000-square-foot, architecturally significant building. Five blocks away, the Palm Springs Art Museum Architecture and Design Center, Edwards Harris Pavilion, features exhibitions and programming that explore the rich topics of architecture and design.