

Home Away From Home



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March 2-31, 2024
Saturdays & Sundays 12-5pm, or by appointment

Opening Reception Saturday, March 2, 6-10pm
Print Demonstration Saturday, March 30, 12-2pm

For Mo' Print 2024, *Bell Projects* presents – **Home Away From Home** – a group exhibition featuring monotype, collagraphs, letterpress, and ceramics by three local artists: Claudia Borfiga, Virginia Diaz Saiki, and Lucy Holtsnider. This exhibition opens Saturday, March 2 and is on view through March 31, 2024. Please join us for an opening reception on March 2nd from 6pm until 10pm.

In *Home Away From Home*, three Denver-based artists: **Claudia Borfiga, Virginia Diaz Saiki, and Lucy Holtsnider**, reflect on the meaning of home and transition as each has spent significant periods of their lives elsewhere.

Narratives of home are revealed through storytelling or experiencing one's natural surroundings through new eyes or beginnings. Each artist renders these memories, transitions, and observations through a variety of printing techniques including monotype, collagraphs, letterpress, and ceramics.

Claudia Borfiga is a visual artist, the body of work she shares here explores her relationship with the sun. With each move she's made, from her homeland in the UK, to California, and now to Colorado, it feels as if it's become brighter and bolder. As the bringer of light and life, she is lured outside by its power, when sometimes she needs to lurk in the dark. She has endless longings for rainy day comfort, and for a taste of home.

Virginia Diaz Saiki is an interdisciplinary artist and printmaker from Peru living in Denver. She moved to the US in the pursuit to study Fine Art. During those formative years she discovered printmaking and has been making prints ever since. She currently works with Duke Beardsley as Studio Operations Manager, and maintains a steady printmaking practice while raising an amazing son.

The *Black Garden Series* is an ever growing garden project, sometimes the gardens will be full of color, this time the gardens are black. Layered and textured plant forms overlap in complex compositions of soft and prickly, transparent and opaque, black and white. These fantastical plantscapes are a visual expression of navigating through the soft, prickly and sometimes dark nature encountered on a nocturnal stroll back home. A slow and conscious return to self, requires a challenging journey.

Lucy Holtsnider is a printmaker and graphic designer based in Denver, CO. She creates vibrant, abstract collages from monotype letterpress prints out of Zarapes Studios. Her work references human impacts on the environment inspired by closely observing the natural world while volunteering as a backcountry trail builder. She has taught printmaking and design at four different colleges and universities, and now teaches print workshops at the Denver Tool Library.



1.

Claudia Borfiga

Bathing in sun
2024

Stoneware, lamp components
7.5" wide x 6.5" tall
\$420



2.

Claudia Borfiga

Longing for rain (2024)

Stoneware vessel, with
screenprint transfers
12" tall x 9.5" wide
\$420



3.

Lucy Holtsnider

Yucca Flowers
2024

Letterpress Monoprint Collage
14 x 11"
\$370



4.

Lucy Holtsnider

Woolly Lamb's Ear
2024

Letterpress Monoprint Collage
14 x 11"
\$370



5.

Virginia Diaz Saiki

Black Garden #15
2024

Monotype/ Collagraph
30 x 22"
\$250



6.

Virginia Diaz Saiki

Black Garden #21
2024

Monotype/ Collagraph
30 x 22"
\$250



7.

Virginia Diaz Saiki

Black Garden #11
2024

Monotype/ Collagraph
30 x 22"
\$250



8.

Lucy Holtsnider

Cholla
2024

Letterpress Monoprint Collage
14 x 11"
\$370



9.

Lucy Holtsnider

Sedum
2024

Letterpress Monoprint Collage
14 x 11"
\$370



10.

Claudia Borfiga

Sun Charms
2024

Ceramics, magnet
\$20 each, 3 for \$50



11.

Claudia Borfiga

A Sun Compendium
2024

Screen print, 1 layer, ed. 1/20
27.5 x 19.75" framed
\$120



12.

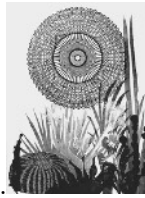
Lucy Holtsnider

Swerve Collage Series #28
2023

Letterpress Monoprint Collage
10 x 8"
\$140



13.
Lucy Holtsnider
Swerve Collage Series #4
 2023
 Letterpress Monoprint Collage
 10 x 8"
 \$140



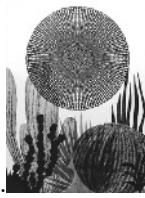
14.
Virginia Diaz Saiki
Black Garden #16
 2024
 Monotype/ Collagraph
 30 x 22"
 \$250



15.
Virginia Diaz Saiki
Black Garden #19
 2024
 Monotype/ Collagraph
 30 x 22"
 \$250



16.
Virginia Diaz Saiki
Black Garden #20
 2024
 Monotype/ Collagraph
 30 x 22"
 \$250



17.
Virginia Diaz Saiki
Black Garden #13
 2024
 Monotype/ Collagraph
 30 x 22"
 \$250



18.
Virginia Diaz Saiki
Black Garden #22
 2024
 Monotype/ Collagraph
 30 x 22"
 \$250



19.
Virginia Diaz Saiki
Black Garden #14
 2024
 Monotype/ Collagraph
 30 x 22"
 \$250



20.
Lucy Holtsnider
Swerve Collage Series #27
 2023
 Letterpress Monoprint Collage
 10 x 8"
 \$140



21.
Lucy Holtsnider
Swerve Collage Series #26
 2023
 Letterpress Monoprint Collage
 10 x 8"
 \$140



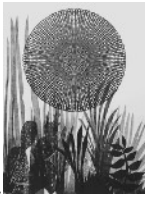
22.
Lucy Holtsnider
Swerve Collage Series #13
 2023
 Letterpress Monoprint Collage
 10 x 8"
 \$140



23.
Lucy Holtsnider
Swerve Collage Series #11
 2023
 Letterpress Monoprint Collage
 10 x 8"
 \$140



24.
Virginia Diaz Saiki
Black Garden #18
 2024
 Monotype/ Collagraph
 30 x 22"
 \$250



25.

Virginia Diaz Saiki

Black Garden #17

2024

Monotype/ Collagraph

30 x 22"

\$250



26.

Virginia Diaz Saiki

Black Garden #12

2024

Monotype/ Collagraph

30 x 22"

\$250



27.

Lucy Holtsnider

Field Collage Series #4

2023

Letterpress Monoprint Collage

10 x 8"

\$140



28.

Lucy Holtsnider

Field Collage Series #1

2023

Letterpress Monoprint Collage

10 x 8"

\$140



29.

Claudia Borfiga

The Sun, she never sleeps

2024

Stoneware vessel

10.5 x 10.5"

\$420



Claudia Borfiga

A Sun Compendium

2024

Screen print, 1 layer, ed. of 20

22 x 15" unframed

\$60