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Local artist and community caretaker glyneisha and Teen Museum Studies students discuss collaboration, contemporary culture and curating *Shadows of Her Windows: Dreams of the Black Interior* at CAM on October 19



Photo: Tyler Small

October 15, 2024 (St. Louis, MO)—Poly-disciplinary artist, educator, and community caretaker glyneisha will give an Artist Talk with participants from the <u>Teen Museum</u> Studies program at the Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis (CAM) on Saturday, October 19 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. The discussion will give insights about glyneisha's exhibition <u>Shadows of Her Windows: Dreams of the Black Interior</u>, explore her practice, and shed light on her experience working with the 2024 Teen Museum Studies (TMS) cohort. Joining glyneisha will be three talented high school students involved in the TMS program: Gray Baker, Aidan Thompson, and Frankie Williams. Together, they will provide insights into their collaborative process and the importance of offering professional development opportunities for students in the arts beyond artmaking. Registration is encouraged, visit camstl.org to reserve your spot.

TMS is a summer internship program that provides high school students (grades 9-12) direct exposure to museum careers and develops collaboration, writing, and critical



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thinking skills. Through the program, students have the chance to cultivate curatorial skills by selecting and working with a St. Louis-based artist to organize an exhibition at CAM. glyneisha's work, which she describes as "archiving the inherent healing nature of matrilineal Blackness through processes of ethical collaboration informed by Black feminist scholarship," was selected by the 2024 TMS cohort for its layers of meaning and importance with contemporary culture. The resulting exhibition, *Shadows of Her Windows: Dreams of the Black Interior*, will be on view in the Education Galleries at CAM through **February 9, 2025**.

To learn more about glyneisha and the works on view, <u>visit our exhibitions page</u>. For press access on October 19, including interview opportunities with glyneisha, TMS students and curators, contact Alexia Majors at <u>amajors@camstl.org</u>.

Event Details

What: Artist Talk: glyneisha
When: Saturday, October 19, 2024
Time: 3:00 pm-4:00 pm
Where: Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis, 3750 Washington Blvd, St. Louis, MO 36108
Admission: This event is open to the public and free to attend, register here.

Shadows of Her Windows: Dreams of the Black Interior is organized for the Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis by Gray Baker, Caroline Entrup, Leanna Haynes, Finn Kanak, Fern Kanak, Salem Lambert, Sarah Ong, Felix Perez, Aidan Thompson, Sanai Todd, Frankie Williams, and Jacob Williams with support from Brandon Barr, Teen and Adult Programs Manager.

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About the artist

glyneisha is a poly-disciplinary artist, educator, and community caretaker archiving the inherent healing nature of matrilineal Blackness through processes of ethical collaboration informed by Black feminist scholarship. She organizes workshops, spaces for communal reflection, produces publications, living archives, installation and exhibition work examining the public and private experiential nature of the Black Interior as a source of refuge, healing, and imagination.

She is co-founder of Strange Fruit Femmes, a Black and Brown femme lead collective that provides free programming for youth and adults centering transformative healing through the arts. glyneisha is a 2024 Futures Fund Grantee through the Luminary Arts in St. Louis, MO. She is a 2022 Cultural Producers Grantee and 2020 Charlotte St Award Fellow and recipient of the 2020 Bryon C. Cohen Award through Charlotte St Foundation in Kansas City, MO. She has exhibited, presented, and been in residence at Art Omi, Bemis Center for



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About the Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis

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