Shifting Horizons

Shifting Horizons features some of the artworks and archival objects that have been acquired for the Nevada Museum of Art's permanent collection through gifts or purchases in the past three years. Seen together they demonstrate the Museum's ongoing commitment to integrating a range of artistic voices into the permanent collection. The exhibition includes a diverse range of objects—from painting and sculpture to photography and video—that relate to the Museum's collecting focus on artist's creative interactions with natural, built, and virtual environments. Artists in the exhibition include both familiar friends and those that are newly associated with the Museum, from Laura Aguilar and Nicholas Galanin to Allison Janae Hamilton and Tony Feher. Each artist's singular voice and unique perspective serves to enhance the Museum's brand.

The Museum's permanent collection is divided into focus areas that are unified by an overarching emphasis on natural, built and virtual environments. This thematic, rather than historical or stylistic specialization, is a natural outgrowth of the institution's collecting practices over the years and offers varied perspectives on the ways in which humans interact with environments. *Shifting Horizons* features artworks and objects drawn from four of the Museum's collecting areas: The Robert S. and Dorothy J. Keyser Art of the Greater West Collection; the Contemporary Collection; The Altered Landscape, Carol Franc Buck Collection; and the Archive Collections of the Center for Art + Environment. Like all art museum's accredited by the American Alliance of Museums, acquisitions and their ongoing care are governed by the Collections Committee of the Board of Trustees. All artworks acquired via gift or purchase are proposed by Museum staff and approved by the Collections Committee to assure that they fit within the Museum's collecting area of focus and that they can be adequately cared for in perpetuity.

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