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AMcE Creative Arts

Is pleased to announce its second exhibition

Christine Nguyen, *Cosmic Gardens*

August 28 – October 23, 2021

Saturday, August 28, 4p – 6p Artist Reception; 4:30p Artist Talk

Sunday, August 29, 1p – 3p Artist meet-and-greet and coloring session with a drawing from *Cosmic Gardens*



Cosmic Garden I, 2021, Archival pigment ink on Entrada Moab paper with salt crystals, 40" x 113"

[AMcE Creative Arts](#), a new fine art gallery and cultural community space Capitol Hill, is thrilled to be showing Colorado-based artist Christine Nguyen as the second exhibition in their main gallery space. Her show, *Cosmic Gardens*, will include a new series of colorful photo-based works along with two large-scale prints.

The works in *Cosmic Gardens* fluctuate between the micro and macro-worlds, connecting oceanic and terrestrial flora and fauna to celestial heavens. Marrying a fascination and reverence of science and nature, her subject is an imaginary and somewhat mystical realm where all is interconnected and harmonious.

[Christine's works](#) are created by drawing and painting on layered mylar to produce a composite image that functions as a photographic negative. This process requires Christine to paint, draw and choose color in reverse. Once printed, the effect makes the work feel as if they were painted with streaks of light or drawn with electricity. Pieces are then submerged in a saline solution and salt crystals become embedded in the print, adding a crystalline, otherworldly quality. Christine's original mylar drawings will be available for viewing at the gallery.

Christine was born and raised in California and currently resides in Denver, Colorado. She received her B.F.A from California State University, Long Beach and M.F.A from University of California, Irvine. She's had solo shows at the Hammer Museum, Los Angeles; Galerie Quynh, Vietnam; Kohn Gallery, Los Angeles; 10 Chancery Lane Gallery, Hong Kong; Pataphysical Society PDX, Portland, Oregon; and David Smith Gallery, Denver, CO among others. Her work has been included in group exhibitions at the Kunsthalle zu Kiel, Kiel, Germany; J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles; Pasadena Museum of California Art, Pasadena, CA; San Art, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; Cemeti Art House, Yogyakarta, Indonesia; Esther M. Klein Gallery, University Science Center, Philadelphia, PA; IMAC, Tijuana, Mexico; Sprueth Magers Projekte, Munich, Germany; Telluride Gallery, Telluride, CO; and Churner and Churner, New York. She is currently working on a public art project with Sound Transit in Seattle, WA for Federal Way.

During Christine's show, [AMcE's Niche Market](#) will showcase geometric paper sculptures by Los Angeles-based artist [Sophia Allison](#) in the main space and a new installation of local and national artists.

About AMcE: More than an art gallery, AMcE Creative Arts is a community gathering place dedicated to sharing and growing ideas and experiences through fine art exhibitions and cultural programming. AMcE's programs are designed to foster community engagement and inspiration through unique exchanges with contemporary visual artists and makers of varying media. In addition to its main exhibition space, AMcE features a Niche Market showcasing smaller works from local and national artists.

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