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Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum Fall 2025 Exhibitions Opening Reception Friday, Sept. 12 | 7–10 p.m.



Image credit: Jennie Sweo, "Portrait of Tamar," 2023, Paper, ink, acrylic, 36 x 36 inches.

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Mesa, AZ – Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum celebrates the opening of five new exhibitions featuring artists **Yuko Yabuki**, **Jennie Sweo** and **Melissa Haviland** alongside "**Curated Chaos: 20 Years of Collecting**," an exhibition showcasing works from Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum's permanent collection and "**TAKE OVER**," an encore group exhibition curated by former **Red Floor Gallery**.

The free opening reception on **Friday, Sept. 12, 2025, from 7–10 p.m.**, includes musical entertainment, light refreshments and a cash bar.

Fall 2025 Exhibitions:

“Duality”

Yuko Yabuki

Sept. 12–Dec. 14, 2025

Yabuki presents her worldview in “Duality,” exploring two opposite forces in balance. Their energy creates a helix that uplifts us to the future. Every end leads to a new beginning, showing constant evolution through opposing forces in movement, shaping our destiny and the cosmos.

“Cut, Crumpled, Remembered”

Jennie Sweo

Sept. 12, 2025–Jan. 4, 2026

Working with ink and paper manipulation, Sweo’s works deal with portraiture. On the surface, she presents a likeness of her subject, yet embedded in her renderings are the relationships between the subject and herself. Her works serve as mementos, a means of self-expression and an exploration of new and imagined forms of representation.

“Curated Chaos: 20 Years of Collecting”

Sept. 12, 2025–Jan. 11, 2026

In celebration of Mesa Arts Center’s 20th Anniversary, “Curated Chaos” reveals the evocative, whimsical, striking, beautiful — and occasionally strange — 2-D artworks that constitute the collections at Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum. Artworks for this exhibition were collaboratively selected by the Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum team.

“TAKE OVER”

Red Floor Gallery

Sept. 12, 2025–Jan. 18, 2026

Tempe’s former Red Floor Gallery is returning for an encore exhibition featuring over 80 regional artists from across the valley including a special installation of La Pequeña Galeria.

“of fog”

Melissa Haviland

Sept. 12, 2025–Jan. 25, 2026

“of fog” is a hanging installation of 2,000+ shaped and watermarked handmade paper sheets from indigo-dyed linen, cottons and ribbon. Haviland’s practice of repetition and pattern in multiples fills the space and surrounds the viewer.

Museum hours:

Mon: CLOSED

Tue–Sat: 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Sun: Noon–5 p.m.

For more information, visit mesaartscenter.com/mcam or call 480-644-6560.

Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum is located at 1 East Main Street in downtown Mesa, AZ. Admission is always free.

About Mesa Arts Center

Mesa Arts Center, owned and operated by the City of Mesa, is a unique, architecturally stunning facility located in the heart of downtown Mesa. Arizona's largest arts center is home to four theaters, five art galleries and 14 art studios. Guests, patrons and students come to Mesa Arts Center to enjoy the finest live entertainment and performances, world-class visual art exhibitions and outstanding arts education classes. Mesa Arts Center's mission is to create meaningful arts experiences in Mesa for everyone. For more information, visit mesaartscenter.com.

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