

New Art Dealers Alliance and Pérez Art Museum Miami Announce Second Annual Acquisition Gift Selection

Works by Cassie Namoda (Ghebaly Gallery) and Nikita Gale (Reyes Projects) from NADA Miami Selected for PAMM's Permanent Collection



Left: Cassi Namoda, *Sasha and Zamani's Tropical Romance*, 2018. Acrylic on canvas, 48 x 36 inches, 122 x 91.5 cm. Courtesy the Artist and Ghebaly Gallery, Los Angeles. Photo: Robert Wedemeyer

Right: Nikita Gale, *An Abundant Loss*, 2018. Concrete, foam, towels, steel, mic clips, microphone, paint. Courtesy the artist and Reyes Projects.

(MIAMI, FL — December 6, 2018) — **New Art Dealers Alliance (NADA)** and **Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM)** are pleased to announce the selection of the second annual **NADA Acquisition Gift for PAMM**, an acquisition gift for the museum's permanent collection. The museum has selected *Sasha and Zamani's Tropical Romance* title by Mozambique-born, Los Angeles-based artist **Cassi Namoda** from **Ghebaly Gallery**, and *An Abundant Loss* by American visual artist **Nikita Gale** from **Reyes Projects**.

Nikita Gale works with boundaries present in music, architecture, and protest. Her sculpture work, comprised of steel, concrete, foam, and towels, explores the concept of noise, and how these materials have the capacity to both create and cancel out sound. In *Sasha and Zamani's Tropical Romance* (2018), Cassi Namoda depicts two distinct East African conceptions of time personified as women. Sasha stands for sequential time, defined by the transition of present into past, while Zamani is limitless and eternal time.

The NADA Acquisition Gift for PAMM provides funding for PAMM curators **María Elena Ortiz** and **Jennifer Inacio** to acquire an artwork for the museum's permanent collection, which features

international modern and contemporary art from the U.S. Latino experience, the African diaspora, Latin America, and the Caribbean.

“The quality of work at NADA was astonishing and made our selection really hard. After much consideration, we decided that the two chosen works—by the two strong female voices Nikita Gale and Cassi Namoda—will bring important dialogues to our collection,” said **Jennifer Inacio**, PAMM Assistant Curator and **María Elena Ortiz**, PAMM Associate Curator.

The NADA Acquisition Gift for PAMM was designed to enhance the relationship between the museum and the fair’s international roster of exhibiting galleries and artists, and provides an opportunity for NADA to support and engage with the art institutions of Miami-Dade County in new and dynamic ways.

“PAMM is a vital Miami art institution and we are thrilled to establish a dialogue between their permanent collection and the exhibitors of NADA Miami,” said **NADA Executive Director Heather Hubbs**.

Proceeds raised from NADA Miami ticket sales fund both the NADA Acquisition Gift for PAMM and the NADA International Gallery Prize, which supports first-time exhibitors traveling internationally to exhibit at NADA Miami in 2019.

About NADA

Founded in 2002, New Art Dealers Alliance (NADA) is a not-for-profit 501c(6) collective of professionals working with contemporary art. Its mission is to create an open flow of information, support, and collaboration within the arts field and to develop a stronger sense of community among its constituency. Through support and encouragement, NADA facilitates strong and meaningful relationships between its members working with new contemporary and emerging art. In addition NADA hosts an annual art fair in Miami.

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About PAMM

Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM) promotes artistic expression and the exchange of ideas, advancing public knowledge and appreciation of art, architecture and design, and reflecting the diverse community of its pivotal geographic location at the crossroads of the Americas. Led by Director Franklin Sirmans, the nearly 35-year-old South Florida institution formerly known as Miami Art Museum (MAM), Pérez Art Museum Miami opened a new building, designed by world-renowned architects Herzog & de Meuron, in Downtown Miami’s Museum Park on December 4, 2013. The facility is a state-of-the-art model for sustainable museum design and progressive programming and features 200,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor program space with flexible galleries; shaded outdoor verandas; a waterfront restaurant and bar; a museum shop; and an education center with a library, media lab and classroom spaces. For more information, please visit pamm.org, find us on Facebook ([facebook.com/perezartmuseummiami](https://www.facebook.com/perezartmuseummiami)), or follow us on Instagram/Twitter (@pamm).

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