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## El Paso Museum of Art Hosts Two New Exhibits and Family-Friendly Programming

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EL PASO, Texas — The El Paso Museum of Art (EPMA) invites the public to visit two new exhibitions, Peaceful Moments: The Art of Itzchak Tarkay and Becky Hendrick: Invoking Light, opening Thursday, July 21.

## Peaceful Moments

The first exhibition combines paintings of elegant women and works on paper of landscapes by Itzchak Tarkay (Yugoslavia, 1935-2012). Informed by his fashion illustration background, Tarkay staged scenarios of women relaxing at cafes that capture a sense of peaceful movement. Tarkay's unique style transforms the norms of hectic life into peaceful moments. The exhibition will be on view through October 2.

## Invoking Light

The second exhibition pairs two paintings by Becky Hendrick (United States, born 1947). Both works employ black panels to symbolize Heaven and Earth, alluding to the I Ching, an ancient Chinese divination text. Beyond the spiritual and tangible themes, both paintings play on perspectives and a call to action. The exhibition is on view through December 4.

Both family-friendly exhibits are accompanied by complementary events to include:

- Opening reception at 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 21 •
- Art Talk with artist Becky Hendrick, at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 8 •

Peaceful Moments: The Art of Itzchak Tarkay was organized by Carole Sorell, Inc. and curated by David S. Rubin. The exhibition is presented with generous support from The Park West Foundation, founders Albert and Mitsie Scaglione, and director Diane Pandolfi.

Support for Becky Hendrick: Invoking Light is provided by the Mellon Foundation, the Texas Commission on the Arts, the El Paso Museum of Art Foundation, and the City of El Paso Museums and Cultural Affairs Department.

For more information on both exhibitions as well as programs and activities, visit the El Paso Museum of Art at www.epma.art.

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