



Exhibitions at
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Marnie Crawford Samuelson: An Outer Cape Village

CURATED BY MIKE WRIGHT
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IN THE MOFFETT GALLERY

Fishermen, artists, and makers who live and work on Outer Cape Cod are the subjects of this photography and audio exhibition by Marnie Crawford Samuelson.

Crawford Samuelson has been photographing on the Outer Cape since the mid-1980s. Her vintage toned black and white images show a Provincetown where neighbors gather for coffee and sodas at the counter at Adams Pharmacy, a poker game unfolds on a winter night in the West End, and neighbors and friends care for young men dying of AIDS.

More recently, she has been making a series of portraits of people who are deeply attached to place, to their work, family, neighbors, and community. These images, with accompanying first-person recordings, tell their unique stories.

Hers is a slow, documentary process. Often, she creates a simple outdoor studio environment for a photograph and invites the person being photographed to consider this as sacred time together. In a later recording session, she asks them to share something curious, authentic, and intimate.

This exhibition is sponsored in part by John Douhan III and William Rawn.

From the artist:

I began An Outer Cape Village about five years ago with a simple idea—to make portraits and fluid documentary images in the villages and landscape of the Outer Cape, a place that I know and hold dear.

Soon we were in the pandemic, and I chose to photograph and record outdoors. The approach stuck. I like the idea of finding simple environments that are almost like being in an open-air studio. I start with available light and often mix in soft artificial light from portable strobes and large modifiers. [...]

Later, we do a recording. We sit at a distance, and I encourage the person to tell a story that is about something curious, unexpected, and personal. The story belongs to them, and sometimes it opens an entire world.



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ARTWORK LIST

Some of the artworks in this exhibition are for sale; please see the museum front desk for a price list and to purchase.

Miah Nate Johnson, artist, Wellfleet

Nat Bull & Mike Tuck, Thalassa, the dunes

Oak on the Jeep Road, the dunes

Jody Melander, explorer & maker, Truro

Jimmy Cooper & Captain Louie Rivers, The Miss Sandy, Provincetown

Caleb Potter, Wellfleet

Outside Mojos, Provincetown

Manuel (Cul) Goveia, MacMillan Pier lot, Provincetown

Sonny Tasha, Provincetown

Bloodhound Beau, canine officer, Wellfleet Police Department.

Preston Babbitt & Rogers Baker, Provincetown

Caring for Keith Donahue, Provincetown

Poker Game, West End, Provincetown

Harry Kemp shack, the dunes

Before the start, Swim for Life, Provincetown

Outside the Atlantic House, Provincetown

Joyce Johnson, artist & writer, the dunes

Fish on fence, Provincetown

Dana Franchitto, called to surfing, Wellfleet
Barbara Austin, planting baby clams, Indian Neck, Wellfleet

Clint Austin & his reef, Indian Neck, Wellfleet

Mike Rego, lobsterman, in gear yard, Truro

Emma Doyle, Sonya Woodman & Jordan Renzi, wild shellfish pickers, Wellfleet

Everett Austin, third generation shellfish grower family, Wellfleet

Captain Roger Martin, Engine Company 5, Provincetown

Kai, Caleb, & Max Potter, Wellfleet

Peter Gherardi & Mark Boucher, Provincetown

Heading to the White Party (unknown), Provincetown

Carnival Parade 2023, (unknown), Provincetown

Grounscore, street poet, The Ugly Vipers, Provincetown

Dusty Daleo, musician, The Ugly Vipers, Provincetown

Julia Salinger, artist, Wellfleet

Paula Hill, Race Point booth, Provincetown

Libby Clark, open water swimmer, Provincetown

Richard Blakeley, shellfish grower, Wellfleet

Paul Suggs, artist & house painter, with the Wellfleet clam

Flooding, high tide & winter storm, Provincetown, 2024

Caleb Luster, in the Dunes



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