

Family Resource Mini Museum Collection

Exhibition

**Claudia Martínez Garay: WAKCHAKUNA / We Who Share Everything
and Nothing**

Sat 25 May – Sun 8 Sep 2024

GALLERY 1

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Mini Museum Collection

Artist Claudia Martinez Garay is interested in highlighting the stories of museum *artefacts* and asks questions about where the objects came from and why are they in a museum?

She wants to find out:

- Why might it look like that?
- How was it used?
- What makes it special?
- Who did it belong to?
- What did it mean to them?
- What happened to it?



Explore the gallery. What do you notice? How does it make you feel?

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Activity 1

Object Handling

This activity explores museum objects through storytelling and object handling. It encourages handling objects and describing them using words and stories.

1. Find a clear space in our galleries to place the tray and take out the objects. Make sure you are clear of the artwork and visitors.
2. Take turns with the people you are with (friends and grown-ups) to handle the objects from the tray. Notice textures, patterns, marks and shapes.
3. In turn try to describe the object using the prompt words.
4. Use your imagination to create a story for the object.

Can you think of a word or symbol to sum up the stories and ideas you've shared. Draw or write it on to your object using the water pen. Watch what happens.

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Word Prompts

Use these words to help with the activity.

warm

sharp

hole

cold

smooth

colours

hard

cracks

small

rough

nobbly

shiny

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Activity 2

Mini Museum

Imagine you are a curator! A curator is someone who puts together the collections of a museum, an exhibition, library, or similar.

1. Find a space in our galleries to place the tray. Make sure you are clear of the artwork and visitors. Build your own gallery using the tray and the card marked floor & walls.
2. Position the objects or/and the printed images inside the miniature gallery.
 - How do you decide the way objects are displayed?
 - Think about the story you gave to each object and how they might connect to each other.
3. Place the museum information card inside the mini museum. Share the stories about the objects using the information card as a prompt.