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We're on the Move: Paintings by Ashanté Kindle & Khari Turner

View a compelling new exhibition at Philadelphia's Magic Gardens

SOUTH STREET, PHILADELPHIA: On Friday, September 9, *We're on the Move: Paintings by Ashanté Kindle & Khari Turner* opens in the galleries at Philadelphia's Magic Gardens! Don't miss this exciting display of experimental paintings, on view until December 4, 2022.

Ashanté Kindle and Khari Turner explore culture and generational lineage through personal narratives in their dynamic paintings. In *We're on the Move* Kindle and Turner use joyful imagery and colors to display the importance of play and freedom in the Black community. Turner paints young Black people expressing their freedom through bike riding, gathering together, and finding joy as they are coming of age. Kindle explores themes of healing and prosperity by celebrating Black hair in her work. Collectively, the works of Kindle and Turner intertwine the past and present through abstraction and figurative paintings.

Join Philadelphia's Magic Gardens with Kindle and Turner at a pay-what-you-wish opening reception on Friday, September 9, from 6:00 – 9:00 PM. Light refreshments will be served and drinks will be available for purchase. *We're on the Move* will be on view from September 9 – December 4, 2022.

ABOUT THE ARTISTS:

Ashanté Kindle and Khari Turner both graduated from Austin Peay State University and were a part of the 2019 cohort at the Chautauqua School of Art Residency. Turner has an MFA from Columbia University and has shown work internationally and nationally. He recently participated in the 2022 Venice Biennale and his first solo show at the Museum of Wisconsin Art. Turner is currently working in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Kindle is an M.F.A. graduate from the University of Connecticut who has exhibited her work with several galleries and institutions. She has recently shown at The University of Connecticut, the Red Arrow Gallery in Tennessee, and at EXPO Chicago with Latchkey Gallery. Kindle currently lives and works in Hartford, CT. Both Turner and Kindle share their connections between Black history and modern day Black Culture through workshops and artist talks around the country.

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[ABOUT PHILADELPHIA'S MAGIC GARDENS](#)

Philadelphia's Magic Gardens (PMG) is an immersive mixed media art environment that is completely covered with mosaics. The creator, Isaiah Zagar, used handmade tiles, bottles, bicycle wheels, mirror, and international folk art to chronicle his life and influences. The exploratory space is made up of two indoor galleries and a bi-level outdoor sculpture garden. As a nonprofit museum, PMG celebrates art in its many forms through community outreach, public programs, hands-on activities, exhibitions, and tours. We welcome everyone to explore the space and embrace the possibility of self-expression.

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