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MMAM Opening New Exhibition of Clara Ueland's Prints

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The Minnesota Marine Art Museum (MMAM) in Winona, MN, will be opening a new exhibition titled, *Impressions of Water: Prints by Clara Ueland 1997-2022*, on May 27, featuring intaglio prints by artist, Clara Ueland. There will be an opening reception at MMAM to celebrate the artist and her work on Friday, May 27 from 5:00 to 7:00PM. This reception is open to the public, and tickets are \$10 and are available at the door.

Medina, Minnesota artist Clara Ueland creates beautiful and colorful prints inspired by her trips to the Boundary Waters of northern Minnesota, Lake Superior, and Scotland. "I have always had an affinity for water in the landscape, working with such themes such as water plants, rain clouds, lakes and streams," says Ueland of the connection between water and her work. "Lake Superior, in particular, is a constant source of inspiration with its changing light and colors, wave patterns, squalls and clouds."

After receiving a Master's Degree in painting and printmaking at Berkeley, Clara Ueland assisted the director and printer of Universal Limited Art Editions, a pioneering publisher of fine art prints located in Long Island, New York. "Minnesota's artistic community, especially the printmaking community, is so much better off because of Clara's pioneering and artistic contributions," says Scott Pollock, MMAM's Executive Director. "For someone who had the opportunity to work alongside artists like Jasper Johns and Robert Rauschenberg in the early stages of their careers and translate that level of artistic merit to make it her own is absolutely commendable. You can feel that level of integrity in her work, and we're absolutely thrilled to present this body of work," adds Pollock.

Ueland creates her work by using the labor intensive intaglio printing process, which uses a series of etched copper plates to produce the final image. She creates her prints at the Highpoint Center for Printmaking in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Impressions of Water: Prints by Clara Ueland 1997-2022 features an overview of the artist's prints from 1997 to the present, and it will be on view at MMAM through September 25, 2022. More information about the exhibition and its related programming can be found at MMAM.org.

About MMAM:

The Minnesota Marine Art Museum is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit art museum that engages visitors in meaningful visual art experiences through education and exhibitions that explore the ongoing and historic human relationship with water. Located in Winona, Minnesota, a short distance from Minneapolis, Minnesota and Chicago, Illinois, the purpose-built museum is located on the banks of the Mississippi River and boasts six galleries, an educational and events space, and a destination retail shop on its seven acre riverside campus. It is through this surprising diversity that MMAM is not only describing what marine art is, but pushing the boundaries of what marine art can be.