

## *Paintings* featuring Tammy Eagle Hunter



January 20 to March 24, 2017

Tammy Eagle Hunter is a Lakota artist who uses bold colors and imagery to convey a message of cultural strength and resilience. Born and raised on the Cheyenne River Reservation, Ms. Eagle Hunter currently resides in Eagle Butte, South Dakota. As the Youth Programs Director of the Cheyenne River Youth Project, she works with children to bring art into their daily lives.

A self-taught artist, Tammy developed her artistic techniques through trial and error. She sees her artistic development as a lifelong journey in which she is constantly fine-tuning her artistic vision and developing new skills and techniques. Working primarily in acrylic paint on canvas she often incorporates spray paint and graffiti into her artwork. Some of these graffiti techniques were borrowed from the young people that she works with at the Cheyenne River Youth Project. Spontaneity is a key element of Eagle Hunter's work. She often begins a painting with no preconceived notions about the subject matter, preferring instead to allow ideas to flow naturally onto the canvas. Through her artwork, she hopes to remind the children in her community of the strength, resilience, and honor found in Lakota culture.

Tammy's artwork has been featured at the 2016 Native POP: People of the Plains – A Gathering of Arts and Culture Market and she was awarded first place at the 2015 Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Labor Day Artist Market and Exhibit. This exhibition marks the first time her works have been shown in a museum setting.

Prices for the artwork can be obtained by contacting The Journey Museum Store at (605) 394-2201. To purchase artwork after the exhibit closes, please contact Tammy Eagle Hunter at tammy.cryp@gmail.com Paintings

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Walk in a Sacred Manner Acrylic and Aerosol Paint on Canvas © 2016 Tammy Eagle Hunter

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**Black Elk** Acrylic and Aerosol Paint on Canvas © 2016 Tammy Eagle Hunter



*The Stories You Tell about Me* Acrylic and Aerosol Paint on Canvas © 2016 Tammy Eagle Hunter

*Be A Good Ancestor (Marcella)* Acrylic and Aerosol Paint on Canvas © 2016 Tammy Eagle Hunter



*When I Forget Where I Come From* Acrylic and Aerosol Paint on Canvas © 2016 Tammy Eagle Hunter