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**Les Racines du Baobab: Dans Un Famille D'eau
(The Roots of the Baobab: Inside a Family of Water)**

Hamiltonian Artists is pleased to announce Hamiltonian Artists Fellow (2019–2021) Yacine Tilala Fall's first solo exhibition at the gallery, *Les Racines du Baobab: Dans Un Famille D'eau (The Roots of the Baobab: Inside a Family of Water)*. The exhibition will be on view from August 22 to September 14, 2020. Hamiltonian will be open by scheduled appointment times Tuesday – Friday 11am – 4pm, available through our website.

Inspired by Fall's experience of the Baobab tree in Senegal, traditionally known as the tree of life, the metaphor of this historic tree serves as the foundation for the exhibition. As with the human body, the basis of the tree's materiality is water, which runs as a current through Fall's work. The space will be intermittently activated by performance as a bound and camouflaged subject moves through the installation, animating the tension of the suspended sculptures. The exhibition includes over 150 ceramic pots, natural textiles, and performance to illustrate what the artist sees as a deeply rooted collective intimacy.

Yacine Tilala Fall (Washington, DC) is an interdisciplinary conceptual artist. She received a BFA from the Corcoran School of the Arts and Design. Using performance, sculpture, painting, and natural materials her work investigates identity, politics, and history through the lens of the body. Her Senegalese heritage and American upbringing inform her repetitive and labor-intensive art practice. Fall has performed and exhibited at Arlington Arts Center, Virginia; and Gallery 102 and Carrol Square Gallery, Washington, DC. In 2018, Fall was a performer at Kennedy Center Millennium Stage in Nag Champa Art Ensemble's performance and production "The Landing" with Uptown Arthouse and at the Smithsonian American Art Museum with Jamal Gray with Uptown Arthouse.

Events and Programs:

Opening Reception

Saturday, August 22 7-9pm on zoom. RSVP through our website.

Artist Talk

Saturday, August 22, 7pm on zoom. RSVP through our website.

Performance

August 20, 7pm as part of Siren Arts' summer performance series "Fluxus Sea", link to the event can be found on the exhibition website.

About Hamiltonian Artists

Hamiltonian Artists' mission is to build a dynamic community of innovative artists and effective visual art leaders by providing professional development opportunities to innovative new artists and by advancing their entrepreneurial success. Through its unique investment into the next generation of cutting-edge artists, Hamiltonian helps artists to develop important business skills, professional experiences, and visibility to support and sustain their art career. Through artist talks, public events and its membership program, the organization contributes to the vitality of DC's burgeoning arts scene by deepening the appreciation for contemporary art and culture throughout Washington, DC, and beyond.

Hamiltonian Artists is located at 1353 U Street NW, Washington, DC, 20009.

GALLERY HOURS/HOW TO VISIT

For the safety of our community and staff, all visitors will be required to wear a mask to enter the gallery. Only five visitors at a time. And, please remember to social distance and stay six feet apart. Public restrooms are not available at this time.

Please visit the Exhibition page on our website to schedule your time to see the show.

For more information visit www.hamiltonianartists.org

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