

Exhibition Announcement:

**DUTY FREE
PARADISE**

FEATURING WORK BY LANI ASUNCION

Exhibition Opens January 21st
Exhibition Closes February 25th

RADIAL GALLERY
Located on the 2nd floor of Fitz Hall

GALLERY HOURS
Monday–Thursday 9–4 PM Friday 9–2 PM

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Go to go.udayton.edu/radialgallery or
contact the gallery coordinator at
937-229-3204 or narnold1@udayton.edu

JOIN US
January 22nd from
1-2 PM for the
Zoom artist talk
(Path points included)

Duty Free Paradise: featuring work by Lani Asuncion

January 21st- February 25th 2021 at University of Dayton's Radial Gallery

The Department of Art and Design's Radial Gallery is excited to present "**Duty Free Paradise**" featuring work from Boston based artist [Lani Asuncion](#) at University of Dayton's Radial Gallery. Duty-Free Paradise is a multimedia exhibition and series of live broadcasted performances that play on the tensions of *lived* and *imagined* Hawai'i. Through the lens of eco-tourism, around which the islands' economy heavily circulates, the work explores the contradictions between

perceptions and realities of island life as a constructed paradise, down to the flora and fauna, underwritten by militarism and biopolitics. Piecing together fragments of histories that echo through the old pineapple fields that now grow corn for cattle across the Pacific. Asuncion weaves together the personal narrative of growing up in Waipahu, Oahu, with the global histories of colonization and annexation, experience of Filipinx diasporas and migration, plantation labor and land ownership regimes. As a curation and reinterpretation of objects and ephemera associated with Hawai'i in specific cultural moments, the work is also a translation of a visual language that uncovers surprising connections across geographies and time. In conjunction with live performance, Asuncion uses video to bring different eras into one timeline to be experienced and questioned. Duty Free Paradise is made possible through support from [Montgomery County](#), [Culture Works](#), [The Blue House Arts](#), and the [Front Street Global Artist Initiative](#).

Lani Asuncion will be giving an artist talk Friday January 21st 1-2 pm via AVIATE with PATH points available to students. Registration will be required via AVIATE and limited to University of Dayton Students, Faculty, and Staff.

Gallery Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9-4pm

Friday, 9 am – 2 pm

The University of Dayton Radial Gallery is located in the Department of Art and Design on the second floor of Fitz Hall across from the main office of the department. Due to COVID-19 restrictions all visitors are required to wear masks and social distance at all times. No more than 10 people are allowed in the gallery at any given time. Visitors may obtain a parking pass from the parking attendant at the main entrance of Fitz Hall. For additional information contact University of Dayton Galleries Coordinator, Nicholas Arnold at 937-229-3204 or narnold1@udayton.edu.