

## CONTEMPORARY ARTISTS EXPLORE THE EXPERIENCE OF MIGRATION

*A Journey Not Soon Forgotten* includes work by nine immigrant or first-generation artists

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**Arlington, VA:** Opening July 9 and running through September 4, 2022, *A Journey Not Soon Forgotten* explores the global impacts of migration. This exhibition follows the practices of nine artists who have either immigrated to the United States themselves or are the children of immigrants. The artwork on display showcases the physicality, spirituality, and conceptuality that is birthed through migration. Artists in this exhibition are working through ideas of lineage and labor while also examining political interests and significant historical events - domestic and abroad - that affect their self-identity and many of the people(s) they care about. *A Journey Not Soon Forgotten* features artists that share their personal experiences with migration in an effort to advocate for the interests of these global communities.



Jessica Elena Aquino, *I brought you flowers V*, 2021.

*A Journey Not Soon Forgotten* is organized by guest curator Thomas F. James. The exhibition includes work by nine artists: Jessica Elena Aquino, Antonius-Tin Bui & Theresa-Xuan Bui, Ainsley Burrows, Lehna Huie, Sam Hussein, Thiang Uk, Fahimeh Vahdat, You Wu, and Helen Zughuib.

A reception to celebrate *A Journey Not Soon Forgotten* and AAC's other summer exhibitions will take place July 9 from 6pm to 9pm. Registration is required to attend the reception. For more information and to register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/aac-summer-exhibitions-opening-reception-tickets-375442708247> . For exhibition images, visit: [https://www.dropbox.com/sh/pr9b4ij5pqzqxwv/AACsBlmqjakL\\_1TIWQeKp7PBa?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/pr9b4ij5pqzqxwv/AACsBlmqjakL_1TIWQeKp7PBa?dl=0)

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