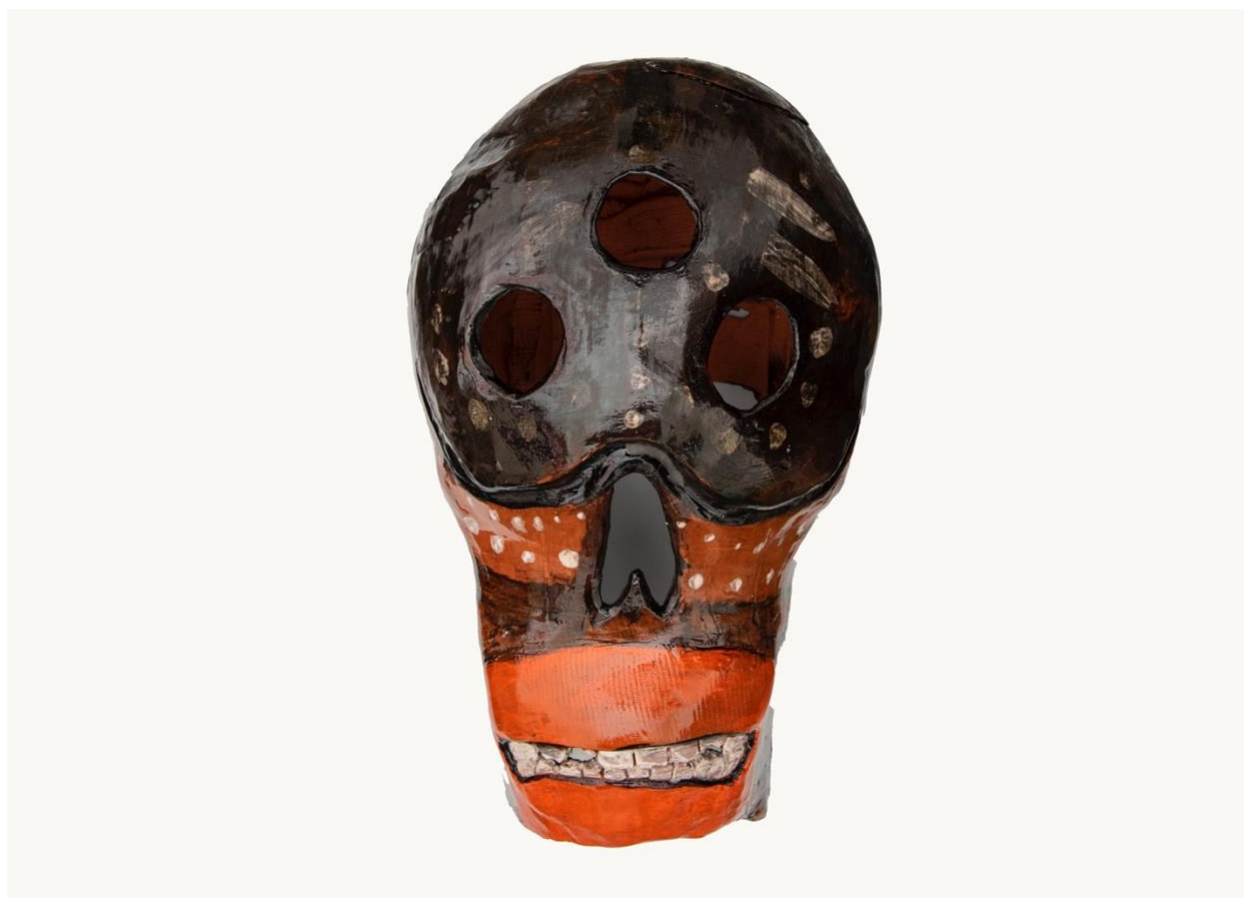


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Gary Gee
Third-Eye Zulu, 2019
Glazed earthenware on wooden and velvet stand
18 x 11 x 9 inches

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Call for Artists: *Futures Reimagined: RAM Community Art Show*

Racine, WI March 20, 2023

Racine Art Museum (RAM) and RAM's Charles A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts invite artists to share their ideas about what a potential future could look like for the upcoming exhibition, *Futures Reimagined: RAM Community Art Show*. This exhibition will be on display at RAM's Wustum Museum—the original RAM campus from 1941 that continues to operate alongside the newer downtown museum— from June 14 through August 5, 2023.

Artwork can be used to revisit the past, document and comment on the present, and envision the future. As RAM celebrates its 20th anniversary in downtown Racine throughout 2023, considerations of the past are inevitable. However, anniversaries also offer a meaningful opportunity to think about what comes next.

The 2023 edition of RAM's annual, community-focused exhibition is organized with Scott Terry of **Mahogany Gallery** in Racine and is inspired by the theme of Mahogany Gallery's 2nd Annual Wisconsin Black Art and Culture Expo, *Black Futures*. As a part of *Futures Reimagined*, Terry is inviting artists to participate in the next iteration of the Expo theme, *Black Futures 2*.

Entry to the *RAM Community Art Show* is free and open to any artist who has taken a class or workshop at RAM's Wustum Museum within the last five years. Racine Art Guild members, Racine school teachers, and RAM members, volunteers, and staff are also invited to submit artwork. All submissions must have been made within the last three years and cannot have been previously exhibited at Racine Art Museum or RAM's Wustum Museum.

Further information and a downloadable entry form are available on the RAM website, ramart.org. Entries must either be dropped off in person at RAM's Wustum Museum of Fine Arts, 2519 Northwestern Avenue, Racine, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on Friday, May 12, or Saturday, May 13; or shipped to arrive at Racine Art Museum, 441 Main Street, Racine, Wisconsin 53403 by Thursday, May 11.

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This year marks the Racine Art Museum's twentieth anniversary in downtown Racine. Throughout 2023, visitors are invited to discover inspiring exhibitions and programs that highlight the ways RAM has served its audiences over the last two decades while promising a brighter future.

The two campuses of the Racine Art Museum—RAM in downtown Racine at 441 Main Street and RAM's Charles A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts at 2519 Northwestern Avenue—are located in Racine, Wisconsin, a historic community on the shores of Lake Michigan. RAM is home to the largest contemporary craft collection in North America and has a reputation for its award-winning architecture and nationally recognized exhibition program. RAM's Wustum Museum of Fine Arts is home to the organization's diverse, award-winning art education programs and has presented significant art exhibitions since the 1940s.

Both campuses of the Racine Art Museum are currently operating with limited hours, open Wednesday through Saturday from noon until 4:00 pm. Both museums encourage all visitors and staff who are not fully vaccinated, and those who feel more comfortable wearing a mask, to continue doing so in public areas at RAM and RAM's Wustum Museum of Fine Arts. Some in-person art classes and workshops at Wustum still require masks, determined on a case-by-case basis.