

# HABITAT

Duo Exhibition:

Sigita Rucinskaite-Praneviciene  
& Yupin Pramotepipop

On view March, 10–31, 2023

Opening reception: Friday,  
March 10, 4–9 PM  
SLA Art Space  
307 W 30th Street, New York

Gallery is open Fridays and Saturdays  
from 4 to 7 pm and by appointment.



Sigita Rucinskaite-Praneviciene  
*Tree*. Woodcut, 2022

This exhibition is the first collaboration between Lithuanian-American artist Sigita R. Praneviciene and Thai-American artist Yupin Pramotepipop. Their works will be on view at SLA Art Space from March 10–31, 2023

The name of the exhibition is Habitat. This is because the space of this gallery becomes the habitat where the different styles of these two artists come together; the light and magic of Sigita's prints reflect off the strength and symbolism of Yupin's creations. The viewer can wander in between the different works, taking in the interplay of feelings and ideas from one work to the next.

In her prints, **Sigita Rucinskaite-Praneviciene** combines more than one printmaking method - the drypoint etching technique with monotype in order to achieve unique textural color qualities on paper, and woodblock printing using reduction to achieve a multilayered hue scape. Her art pieces are the narrative of the year 2022 and amount to the perpetual play

with technique, color, and shapes while reflecting on the passing days and events; they incorporate her observations from the Botanical Gardens, city streets, and the stream of news of war and destruction.

**Yupin Pramotepipop** creates her works from partially overlooked materials, from collected waste/unused white FGR plaster and fragile, natural materials such as pines cones and pine needles.

Some of her works are very simple while others are complex.

Her art can be purely visual, but can also show personal expressions, bonding relationships, and love and peace. She starts some works without planning by putting down the elements in order by size and arranging them with curvatures; other works are created to symbolize family and sometimes each element might represent one family member.



**Yupin Pramotepipop**

*Together as One # 1. Pine cones and pine needles on wood, 2021*

"We would live and be together peacefully if everyone cooperates, participates and understands our differences. Despite race, religion, gender, class... We all are together as one. Imagine how beautiful and happy this world will be."

## About the artists

**Sigita Rucinskaite-Praneviciene** was born in Lithuania. She graduated from Kaunas Medical Academy, Lithuania with Pharmaceutical major in 1993.

She received BFA from The Fashion Institute of Technology, NY, 2022. Sigita is continuing ed in printmaking with SVA.

Her work is held in private collections and been shown in NAWA, The Contemporary Printmaking Center in CT, SLA Art Space, Montserrat Contemporary Art Gallery.

**Yupin Pramotepipop** was born in Thailand. She receiving a BBA degree in Management from Ramkhamhaeng University, Thailand. After moving to USA, she completed a Professional Certificates in Sculpture and Painting at the Art Students League of New York in 1991 and received MFA, majoring in sculpture, from the New York Academy of Art in 2004.

Yupin's sculptures were included in Sculpture walks and Partner Networks in Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and South Dakota. Her works has been shown at the National Museum of Sports, the National Museum for Women in the Arts, the Hunterdon Museum of Art, Williamsburg Art & Historical Center, National Sculpture Society and more. She has been honored to receive awards from the Art Students League of New York, the National Sculpture Society, and the New York Academy of Art, among others.

## About SLA Art Space

SLA Art Space, a multi-purpose events venue, established in 2014 by the Lithuanian Alliance of America, a not-for-profit organization.

SLA Art Space is dedicated to creating and offering a wide range of cultural events including live performances, film screenings, panel discussions, and gallery exhibitions that explore the evolving diversity and richness of Lithuanian culture.

SLA Art Space strives to strengthen the identity and community of individuals of Lithuanian descent by generating new ideas and promoting cross-cultural dialogues through partnerships and cultural projects that provide mutual value and new perspectives, inviting audiences of all ages and backgrounds to engage and share culture and art.