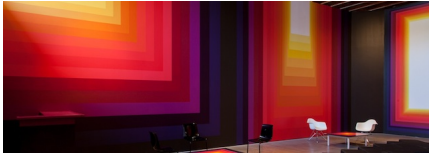


Marshall's Winter Break, Afghan War Rugs at SMOCA

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Head to SMOCA for some outdoor and rec-room fun in the SMOCA Lounge and explore two great new exhibitions!



This past spring when Marshall was commissioned to create the gorgeous mural Radiate in the SMOCA Lounge the artist had mentioned that the space should be activated with fun games and movies perfect for entire community and fun for all ages. SMOCA has worked with the artist, artist James Marshall (a.k.a Dalek) to activate the space to include games, activities and oh did we mention pink Astro Turf creating James Marshall's Winter Break. Visitors can try their hand at putt-putt, beanbag toss, and even dominoes, while they watch iconic scenes from some of the 1980s most beloved films.



Be sure to check out SMOCA's upcoming exhibitions including Afghan War Rugs: The Modern Art of Central Asia, which offers a beautiful collection of contemporary rugs from modern day Afghanistan "collection of rugs updates traditional floral and geometric patterning with contemporary images of tanks, soldiers, helicopters, world maps and political portraits. These intriguing objects question assumptions about this ancient craft and region." This exhibition opens to the public tomorrow, January 24th and it will be on view until April 19th. This special exhibition was organized and curated by Enrico Mascelloni and Annemarie Sawkins, PhD.



Opening on January 31st is southwestNET: Postcommodity an engaging exhibition that will present two monumental installations: *Promoting a More Just, Verdant and Harmonious Resolution* (2011) and *Pollination* (2015). [Postcommodity](#) is a transdisciplinary American Indian arts collective comprising of Raven Chacon, Cristóbal Martínez, Kade L. Twist and Nathan Young. This collective questions common national narratives and the commodification of nature, history and culture. This exhibition was organized by the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art and sponsored by Botanicare and Tamar Weiss in memory of Emil Weiss. This exhibition will be on view until April 26th.



Be sure to join SMOCA as they celebrate two new spring exhibitions on Friday, February 6 from 7–9pm with a free opening reception and the opportunity to enjoy these new exhibitions. The Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art is located at 7374 East Second Street, Scottsdale 85251. General admission to the museum is \$7 for adults, \$5 for students, and children under 15 are free. Every Thursday the museum offers complimentary admission as well as Friday and Saturday evenings after 5pm. Visit their website for more information about exhibitions and events at <https://www.smoca.org/>. Images courtesy of Sean Deckert & SMOCA.