



**Museum of National Center of Afro-American Artists**  
**300 Walnut Avenue, Boston, MA 02119**  
**Museum Hours: Tuesday-Sunday 1-5pm**

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**Opening Reception** - Saturday, May 5th 2007 at 6:00pm  
**Artist Talk** - Saturday, May 12th 2007 at 2:00pm

**Enter-ACTION May 5th - July 8th 2007**  
New Artwork by: Maya Freelon

The historical museum of the National Center of Afro American Artists (NCAAA), located in Boston, MA, announces *Enter-Action* a new exhibition created by award-winning, mixed-media artist Maya Freelon.

"Maya's organically-inspired mixed-media compositions offer fresh and dynamic ways of experiencing color, transparency and incidental light effects all within a strikingly impressive visual fluidity. We are delighted to present this early career exhibition for an artist of growing significance." said NCAAA museum director Edmund Barry Gaither.

Freelon, who interrogates social issues by juxtaposing traditional and contemporary media, transforms the museum into an interactive installation. Working with tissue paper, her sculptures reach from the ceiling to the floor taking on monumental proportion, yet their fragility and anthropomorphic qualities remain exposed as they shift gently with fluctuating air current. The NCAAA has the honor of being the first venue to introduce the intense, beautifully abstracted video *FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS!*, which is a tribute to the many people who have been, and continue to be incarcerated because of their political beliefs, activism or threat to the dominate power structure. The video includes a soundtrack of speeches from revolutionaries including Mumia Abu-Jamal and Assata Shakur. The opening reception May 5th, at 6:00pm will include a collaboration between the artist, her mother, 6-time Grammy-nominated jazz vocalist Nnenna Freelon, and her grand-mother, educator and activist Queen Mother Frances Pierce.

Maya Freelon's desire to share her art with the world has garnered her exhibitions at the Combes Gallery in Paris, France, Rhonda Schaller Studio in New York City and an invitation to show her work at the National Art Gallery of Namibia. A 2006 Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture alum, Maya Freelon is also the founder of the community arts collaborative, Make Your Mark Art ([www.makeyourmarkart.org](http://www.makeyourmarkart.org)) More information: [www.mayafreelon.com](http://www.mayafreelon.com)

The Museum will present a concurrent exhibition with works from collection of women artists including Elizabeth Catlett, Margo Humphrey, Evangeline Montgomery and others. More Information: [www.ncaaa.org](http://www.ncaaa.org) - [www.rugglesplace.wordpress.com](http://www.rugglesplace.wordpress.com)