



***El fuego que nos une* [The Fire That Binds Us]**

Celeste Mayorga

June 13 - September 6, 2026

Opening: Saturday, June 13, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

El fuego que nos une [The Fire That Binds Us] emerges from the research residency that Celeste Mayorga undertook in Paris, from July to September 2024, at the Cité internationale des arts, within the framework of the International Mobility Grant awarded by MAZORCA. During her stay, Celeste convened and brought together artists, activists, and migrant communities from different parts of the world through workshops, gatherings, conversations, and collective exercises centered on healing, art, memory, and territorial identity as a proposal for social transformation.

Rooted in the Maya worldview and in the artist's own process of personal and ancestral repair, the exhibition transforms these encounters into a living space of listening, reconnection, and shared reflection. The project guides visitors through a series of somatic and spiritual exercises used by Celeste during her residency in Paris, based on her training processes with spaces such as Colectiva Actoras de Cambio and Centro Q'anil. These culminate in a circle in which the individual stories of the workshop participants — marked by migration, violence, resistance, and care — are interwoven into a shared body.

Rather than presenting healing as a private or individualistic act, Celeste proposes it as a communal and political practice. *El fuego que nos une* asks where territory resides within identity, and how collective memory can become a force for transformation.

The exhibition is presented as the result of a collaboration between Mazorca and La Nueva Fábrica.

Celeste Mayorga (b. 1990, Guatemala) is a visual artist, photojournalist, decolonial researcher, transpersonal therapist, and trained sociologist. As a mestiza-Maya Q'eqchi' Poqomchi' artist, her artistic practice is informed by Maya cosmovision and a feminist community-based perspective, spanning disciplines such as performance, installation, and video performance.

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