# Re-PLAY

# **Artwork Labels**

#### Introduction

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Wall Text:

#### **Re-PLAY**

Re-PLAY is a dynamic participatory exhibition for all ages reigniting the power of loose parts play as a catalyst for creativity, connection and joy. Developed in collaboration with artist Maxi Minaxi May, Re-PLAY invites you to follow curiosity, experiment with ideas and trust impulsive creativity. Through the arts of bricolage and assemblage Re-PLAY seeks to examine consumerism, mass consumption and throwaway culture by rekindling aesthetics.

This exhibition advocates for a shift in how society values possessions and encourages dialogue about the significant role of imagination.

Re-PLAY offers an opportunity to reflect and reconsider the melange of stuff we have forgotten, rejected or ignored. In a world of rules, structures, curriculum, schedules and screens Re-PLAY activates delight, imagination and laughter as joyful antidotes. Re-PLAY is an all-ages multi-sensory exhibition designed to adapt to all abilities through engagement and conversation.

Please let staff know if you or someone you're with has any specific needs so everyone can engage meaningfully.

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Art connects us to ourselves, each other and our communities, helping to create a healthy Western Australia.

## Maxxi Minaxi May

born 1969 Lancashire, England arrived Western Australia 1976 works in Boorloo / Perth, Western Australia

# **Sticky Dots**

2025 stickers and cartridge paper

Courtesy of the Artist and The Art Gallery of Western Australia

2025/E121.1-14

#### Wall Text:

"This exhibition is a remix. By layering and juxtaposing disparate elements, I am reflecting our multi-dimensional environments of influences, overwhelm and hybridity. I critique and examine the wavering tensions between minimalism and maximalism through repetition, harmony and playfulness. Objects can be beautified by utilising familiar techniques in considered and contemporary ways.

I hope my work invites conversation about how ordinary and discarded materials can become meaningful and spectacular through experiments with colour, pattern and composition."

—Maxxi Minaxi May

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### Reduce Speed

2025 street signs and nitro-alkyd paint

Courtesy of the Artist and The Art Gallery of Western Australia

2025/E119.1-30

Universal regulatory, warning, guide, and information street signs are upcycled into an array of coloured shapes. The international standardised messaging, colours and contrast are camouflaged by layered pigments, lessening their purpose and meaning. However, the shape and scale remain as a recognisable design aesthetic, triggering communication related to the streets, directions and travel. The signs are placed at considered heights and arrangements, not as visible compliant instructions, but as ever-present design, trash turned into treasured collecting.