

# The Artist

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## Natasha Root

*Gwe', teluisi* Natasha Root. I am a Two-spirited Mi'gmaw woman from Listuguj First Nation, which is in the traditional district of *Gespeg*, in the unceded territory of the Mi'gmaq, known as *Mi'gma'gi*. I am a Mixed Media Artist who specializes in painting & digital designs.

I am a self-taught artist who has been creating art ever since I can remember. At the age of thirteen, I moved to *Kjipuktuk* (Halifax). The city influenced my first artistic style; graffiti. Then, my style evolved to reflect Indigenous life in modern-day urban society. I returned to Listuguj three years ago. Being back home led me to explore my Mi'gmaw heritage more through my art, leading me to have more Mi'gmaw and Indigenous focused styles that strive to honour the Peoples' of traditional unceded territories across Turtle Island.

Some of the highlights of my artistic career include being showcased at the Jordan Bennett, and being able to work with renowned artists like Loretta Gould. I work primarily as a freelance artist and continue to expand my talent across Turtle Island.