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Prodigy Artist Akiane Exhibition Extended at SaRang Church Until March 1

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Over 10,000 visitors attend... Jesus portrait Prince of Peace, painted at age eight, unveiled in Korea for the first time



Prince of Peace, a representative work by Akiane Kramarik. Photo: SaRang Church

SaRang Church (Senior Pastor Jung-hyun Oh), located in Seocho-gu, Seoul, announced on the 3rd that the exhibition by American artist Akiane Kramarik, *Akiane: A Journey of Faith through Art*, has been extended through March 1.

For this exhibition, the church has newly transformed its entire B5 level into a gallery space. According to the church, "Since opening on November 2 last year, nearly 10,000 visitors have attended, receiving an enthusiastic response."



Life Maze. Photo: SaRang Church

Akiane gained global recognition for her portrait of Jesus, Prince of Peace, which she painted at the age of eight. At the time, the work drew widespread attention after being featured on major media outlets such as The Oprah Winfrey Show and CNN. This exhibition holds special significance in that the artwork, which was once stolen and remained missing for nearly 20 years, has miraculously been returned to the artist and is now being unveiled in Korea for the first time outside the artist's home country.



Photo: SaRang Church

SaRang Church is co-hosting the exhibition with the U.S.-based nonprofit art foundation Beloved Gallery, presenting more than 20 of Akiane's major works. Through a range of media

art experiences—including a six-minute immersive film, a 27-meter-high LED artwork, and screenings of an Akiane documentary film—the exhibition offers visitors both spiritual and artistic encounters. Admission is free, and the exhibition runs through March 1. Closed on Mondays.

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