



# *Summer Snaps*



*In this edition, we continue with  
Sarah Benitz's earlier trip to England.*

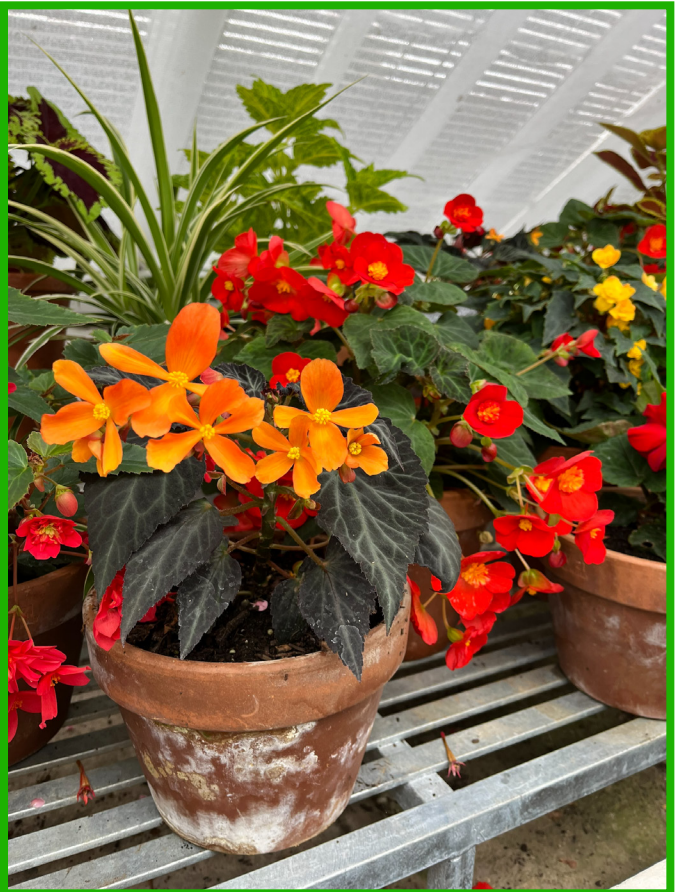
*We will cover  
**The Kingston Lacy**  
A National Trust garden in Dorset*

*Thank you, Sarah,  
for sharing your beautiful pictures with us.*

*Enjoy!*
















*This is an huge outdoor acrylic painting titled “Three Sisters” at the IAA Museum of Contemporary Native Arts, downtown, Santa Fe, NM. The “Three Sisters” refers to the indigenous agricultural practice of growing **Corn, Beans and Squash** together as companion crops and the reason behind it.*




**Ehren Kee Natay** (Kewa Pueblo and Diné)  
*Three Sisters*, 2023  
 Acrylic paint, augmented reality

The mural's title *Three Sisters* refers to the Indigenous agricultural practice of growing corn, beans, and squash together as companion crops. When these three plants are grown together, they symbiotically enhance each other's growth and production. Beans sprout during spring to nourish the soil with nitrogen and corn and squash sprout next. Corn uses nitrogen to grow tall and provide shade while squash grows outward, sprawling forth to provide ground cover as it keeps the earth cool and wet.

*Three Sisters* celebrates the ingenuity of Indigenous ancestors. It also reminds us of the power available to humans when we combine our individual strengths to nourish and protect one another.

Ehren Kee Natay is an accomplished multi-media artist, silversmith, percussionist, potter, actor, and muralist. Natay's work has been shown nationally and internationally. His current work further infuses his musical craft with visual aesthetics via live performance. He continues to inspire youth as an arts educator across schools in New Mexico within his reservation.

 **How to use QR Code**  
 Point your camera on your smartphone at the QR code. A link will appear. Click on the link that will take you to an Augmented Reality effect on MoCNA's Instagram. Ehren's mural will come to life on your phone screen! The augmented reality Instagram effect was created by the local business Refract Studio.

