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ARTIST STATEMENT

I am on a quest hunt down the indescribable; to slap instinct out of my mind and into the realm of physicality. It begins with a feeling. I gather it up and soak it in. All the colours, feelings, ambiguities and when I'm ready a fresh surface is waiting eager to receive the urgent expulsions of paint that tell her all about the mysteries I chase within my minds eye.

In my paintings I create a whimsical world of ideals, a combined reflection of my surroundings, with the way I think they ought to be. I use intense colour, pattern repetition and textural change to portray emotion in my work. Spray paint, acrylic and resin, are the mediums I work with regularly. Their endless layering potential always seems to inspire experimentation, which I find creates space for unique results to emerge. In lieu of canvas, I enjoy working with almost anything unusual I can get my hands on; Saw blades, old scrap metal and irregular shaped surfaces are my specialty.

Expression of life in general, and all the different ways that life can manifest; in endless possibilities of colours, sounds and shapes will never cease to inspire me. When I immerse myself in creating art about life I feel infinite. I have come to believe that in choosing to engage with this feeling, I am choosing all along the way to reveal more of my wholeness to myself.

EXPERIENCE / REPRESENTATION

- // 2015 Art Instructor, Paint Nite Winnipeg, MB.
- // 2016 RAW Winnipeg Art Show: VERVE, MB.
- // 2017 Conception Art Show, Phoenix, AZ.
- // 2017 Conception Art Show, NYC.
- // 2017 Central Region Juried Art Show, MB.
- // 2018 Mona Lisa Art Gallery: "In Spirit" Exhibition. MB.
- // 2018 Artist Judge: Manitoba Camera Club Competition
- // 2019 'In Honour of Trees' Exhibit, Wayne Arthur Gallery, MB
- // 2019 'Synesthesia & the Natural World" Fleet Galleries, MB
- // 2018/19 Signature Show Homes Partnership, MB
- **PRESS:** Winnipeg Free press, August 1, 2019. "She Speaks Colour" https://www.winnipegfreepress.com/arts-and-life/entertainment/arts/she-speaks-colour

EDUCATION

- Present

- // Graduate Vincent Massey Collegiate 2012
- // University of Manitoba Bachelors Degree: Environmental Design (Interior environments). B. EnvDS - 2016

SKILLS & ATTRIBUTES

- // Profficient in Adobe Creative suite
- // Profficient in CAD
- // Technical Drawing & Drafting capabilities
- // Public Speaking
- // Aikido (5 years)
- // Budding Gardener (pun intended)
- // Closet writer