## **Artist Statement**

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In my work, I encourage a closer examination of what goes unnoticed and unappreciated in the world around us, and call attention to the joys of looking. I find many ordinary events and objects to be remarkable, and enjoy uncovering the strange beauty that can be found in unexpected places. In painting the world from a different vantage point, the ordinary becomes strange and the old becomes new, ushering in a new life for that which is impermanent and fleeting.

