

Reflections of the Day: Susan Handau

McKinley Arts and Culture Center: **Gallery East**

May 5th – June 17th, 2016



McKinley Gallery East hosts mixed media painter Susan Handau. *Reflections of the Day* is a collection of multi-media paintings that draw inspiration from the beauty of color and mystery of nature. Each piece is a textured surface built by layering wax, oil, acrylic, ink and fiber which are then fused by heat. The work explores the process of rendering nature in an abstract form which then enables the viewer to contemplate the pleasure of color, pattern and texture thus freeing oneself from objective context.

"I use shapes and common forms that trick the eye to question a 'self' context, raising questions about what our minds see and what is really seen. Perhaps my paintings are a compass of forms that guide the viewer to what existence behind appearances." – Susan Handau

Susan Handau is an American born artist who completed a BA in Art History from the University of Nevada, Reno and focuses primarily on painting with mixed mediums. Her work has been shown locally, as well as in Europe and is currently being shown at the St. Mary's Art Center located in Virginia City, Nevada. The artist currently lives and works in Reno, Nevada.

<http://www.susanhandau.com/home>

McKinley Arts and Culture Center hosts two gallery spaces. Located on the river walk, McKinley Galleries East and West show talented artists from the Great Basin and beyond. To learn more please visit: <http://renoculture.com>

McKinley Arts and Culture Center

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Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm

Free of charge to the public

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