

AQUARIUM GALLERY

ARTIST: Tory Wright

(Ann Arbor, MI)

Pictures Under Pictures

(mixed-media collage)

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ARTIST STATEMENT:

Tory Wright Lee uses a reductive language to filter the viewer's gaze by altering the surface of advertising. Lee hand cuts imagery pulled from mass produced women's magazines to reveal a new conversation with broad references to the female form. Fragmented images, goddesses, tears and textiles overlap as they strip down and reorganize the messaging of our aspirational consumer culture.

ARTIST BIO:

Tory Wright Lee (b.DE 1975) earned a Masters of Fine Art from Maryland Institute Collage of Art, Baltimore, MD. and a Bachelors of Fine Arts from The University of Delaware. Lee has exhibited work with; Civilian Art Projects Washington, DC, Phillips Exeter Academy Lamont Gallery Exeter, NH, and Lump Gallery Raleigh, NC. She lives with her Husband and young family in Northville MI.

Formerly a Visual Merchandiser of ten years Tory has had the opportunity to observe consumer culture and branding from inside the Department Store. Now, five years later and no longer a Merchandiser Lee continues to use a critical gaze with humor as she works with the material within women's magazines.

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