



CHLOE HEDDEN | Artist Statement

As an artist, I look for the unseen patterns and hidden narratives that reveal the magnificence in all things. Robert Henri said, "Paint the spirit of the bird rather than its feathers." There is a still point in every moment and to capture this essential luminescence is to acknowledge the ancient wisdom in all things. I make use of archetypes from the cultural and mystical history that connects all humans and all life forms. Joseph Campbell said that artists are the shamans of our time. I believe that we have the ability as well as the obligation to find and share truth and offer direction to the greater community. It is with this inspiration that I delve into the riches of the collective unconscious and the imagery and symbolism of my dreams to draw out something bigger than myself to share with the world.

Chloe Hedden paints the poetry of light. Zooming in close to a dense cluster of glittering refraction, or delicate transparency and shadow, she renders these microcosms on large canvases with her purposeful brush strokes. Her pieces are portraits of a particular mineral at a precise moment in time that will never exist again.