

MEAGEN SVENDSEN | Artist Statement

This work is the culmination of months of philosophical inquiry into the nature of hope, as a means to find my own way out of an overwhelming feeling of hopelessness. It is an expression of the deep sadness and disappointment I feel about our humanity and our future, and a search for meaning in the historical moment I find myself in. Each piece represents just one of the numerous political or environmental themes that concern me.

Hope defies easy definition. It is both related to and exists outside of religion. It inspires and it disappoints. Most importantly, it is universal. It is the umbrella under which I am able to define our shared humanity.

This body of work represents my own search for answers, but does not offer any to the viewer. I believe only in the questions.