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FINE ART AUCTION

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My work is about connecting to our environment through themes of nature, family and home. To represent this connection, I loosely paint the flight of a hummingbird, the texture of a nest, the color of nature, and the shape of a vase. Digging deeper, these paintings represent family life cycles, hope, renewal, gratitude and home.

Mixing up mixed media is fun and I work in a variety of mediums, including encaustic. The desire to explore materials is a constant in my process. I often ask myself, "What if I tried..." and have incorporated silk, bed sheets, paper, and other materials to create layering. I enjoy making stencils and studying pattern.

Exploring the world through travel adds to my knowledge of my surrounding and seeps into my paintings. To me, painting is like solving a complex puzzle. There are so many moving parts to resolve, so many ideas to ponder. The exploration is endless and the completion of a painting, joyous.

2023 Whimsy, Alpharetta Arts Center, Alpharetta, Georgia | 2023 ADC Fine Art Spring Competition finalist, Cincinnati, Ohio | 2023 Tell Me A Story, Americana, It's All Black and White, Inside Out, Smile, Curated by Design(er) IV, at dk Gallery | 2023- Little Things, Swan Coach House Gallery, Atlanta Georgia | 2022-2023- Meet Me In the Garden Room, The Gardenhouse Gallery in the Atlanta Botanical Garden, Atlanta Georgia | 2022 Solo show, Art Pop Up at The Hotel at Avalon, Alpharetta Georgia | 2022 Atlanta Homes and Lifestyles Southeastern Designer Showhouse. painting selection by Theresa Ory Interiors, Atlanta Georgia | 2022 All Creatures Great and Small, Potluck, Inspired, Oh the Places You'll Go, Abstraction, Bloom, Warm Up / Cool Down shows at dk Gallery | 2022- Artwork selected by Tamara Day for HGTV's / Magnolia Network show, Bargain Mansions. Selected artwork in her licensed 2019 print collection | 2021 Squared Away, Birds of a Feather, Squared Away, Curated by Designer, Home for the Holidays shows at dk Gallery | 2020 Holiday Hop, Wonder and Whimsy, Hope is the Thing With Feathers, By Land & By Sea shows at dk Gallery | 2019 Small Gems, Unseen, Vivid, Small Works, Buckhead Pop-up shows at dk Gallery | 2019 ASID (American Society of Interior Designers) Georgia Chapter's Art Gala, Atlanta Georgia | 2019 Fresh Start, East End Gallery, Inlet Beach Florida | 2019 Solo show, City of Alpharetta, Atlanta Georgia | 2018 Solo show, Roots and Wings, dk Gallery | 2018 Moments and Memories, East End Gallery, Inlet Beach Florida | 2018 Atlanta Magazine's HOME Modern Showhouse, painting selection by J. Witzel Interior Design, Atlanta Georgia | 2018 Best of dk Gallery, Grits and Glory, Kaleidoscope Explosion shows at dk Gallery | 2017 Solo show, From Land to Sky, Jane Sandelin Gallery at Art Works, Inc., Richmond Virginia | 2017 New Year, New Artists, New Work, Pin-up Show at dk2 Gallery and dk Gallery | 2016 A Square Christmas, Photo Abstraction, I've Got the Blues, Smile, On The Surface, New Year, New Art, New Work shows at dk2 Gallery and dk Gallery | 2016- Spotlight on Art shows, Trinity School, Atlanta Georgia | 2012 2015 Pretty in Pink, Farm to Table, Breaking the Rules, White Christmas, dk Gallery | Corporate Collection: 2021 Permanent Collection, JLL Atlanta, Atlanta Georgia | Artist in Residency: 2020 COVID-19 Artist Residency, Creativity In Place, throughout the pandemic Interview with Kate Osmond about the program.