

BIOGRAPHY

Patti Normand is a Canadian artist based in Ottawa, Ontario. Her dioramas are built using a variety of materials, including HO scale elements and the artist's own backdrops. Normand is a graduate of OCAD University and she has recently received a City of Ottawa project grant for her upcoming 2017 body of work. In 2016, Normand's photograph *Siesta Motel* won an Award of Merit during the SNAP! Contemporary Photo Competition and Auction for the Aids Committee of Toronto. Her work has been purchased by the City of Ottawa Public Collection.

ARTIST STATEMENT

"In this new series of paintings and sculptures, I am exploring my life-long relationship to nature. This has become even more important to me during the pandemic as I often seek solace in the natural world.

I see the forest as a mysterious place. I like to imagine it as a realm in which stories are revealed. I create dreamlike animals and people in landscapes which are also imagined. A whole other world."

– Patti Normand

At first glance, Patti Normand's intricate sculptural, painting and photographic explorations seem like depictions of everyday scenes. Upon further study, Normand's scenes create an unsettling atmosphere of darkness and evoke themes such as the uncanny, strange, absurd, humorous and overwhelming vastness of the Canadian wilderness. Normand's photographs offer a deeper understanding of her dioramas and encourage viewers to question scale, perception and what is real. Each piece occupies the blurred space between familiar and unfamiliar.

CV

EDUCATION

Ontario College of Art University, Toronto, Ontario

SELECT EXHIBITIONS

2020 *Otherworldly*, Wall Space Gallery, Ottawa, ON

2020 SNAP! Art Auction and Gala (postponed), Arcadian Court, Toronto, ON

2018 *Dark Water*, Wall Space Gallery, Ottawa, ON

2016 *Canadian Gothic*, Wall Space Gallery, Ottawa, ON

2015 Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibit, Toronto, ON

2014 *Little Voices*, collaboration with writer Lesley Buxton, Karsh-Masson Gallery, Ottawa, ON

Collections

City of Ottawa Public Art Program

Awards

SNAP! Photography Competition, Award of Merit 2016

Grants

City of Ottawa Project Grant 2016

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