

# Kristina Swantek

## ABOUT THE ARTIST

Art is my escape from the noise of the outside world. Even though I have experience with other mediums, I primarily paint. Painting gives me a sense of solitude and contentment. My painting experience is fully experimental. I try to bring something new or unfamiliar into each painting. However, one technique I have continuously used is loading the surface with paint and manipulating it by scraping the excess media off. Playing with texture and layers has become my main beginning process. Manipulating color comes easily to me. I try not to think too much about which colors I am using; I just dab my brush into the paint. From that point, I just paint. I often paint freely but not carelessly. I try to find a rhythm of color to apply to the surface.

It is not unusual for me to start over by completely covering the surface three or more times. Mistakes are inevitable, especially in art. I often try to show what the painting once was beneath the final surface. After all, these mistakes lead me to the final composition.

## PIECES IN THE COLLECTION

### Vertical

Acrylic on Panel 30" X 36"

Entered into Collection in 2016

Purchased directly from artist, Norfolk, NE