



Artist Statement

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When I was young, leaving the ocean after a family trip gave me a sense of emptiness. The ocean represents serenity and contentment. My work speaks of this wonderful and somewhat elusive world. I use various fiber methods such as painting with thread or sculpting weavings, to embody oceanic themed pieces. These forms, using abstraction or representation, help convey my love and interest in life of the ocean. One day I'll visit the ocean again, but until then, I'll keep creating artwork in remembrance of my favorite place on earth.

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| Figure 1: | Aquarium | Fiber | Hand-dyed cotton, glass beads, foam core board, 6 ½" x 7" |
| Figure 2: | Sea Floor | Fiber | Hand-dyed cotton, glass beads, Styrofoam, foam core board, 12 ½" x 12 ¾" |
| Figure 3: | Fan Coral | Fiber | Hand-dyed silk, cotton embroidery floss, wood, 10 ¼" x 13" |
| Figure 4: | Petrified Wave | Sculpture | Alabaster stone, 13 ¼" x 8" x 5 ½" |
| Figure 5: | The Reef | Fiber | Wool, cotton, polyester, acrylic, 41 ¼" x 30" |
| Figure 6: | Escape | Fiber | Rayon thread, tulle, acrylic, 15" x 30 ½" x 40" |
| Figure 7: | Fishnet | Fiber | Rayon thread, tulle, wool, 40" x 10" x 5" |
| Figure 8: | Mammals | Fiber | Hand-dyed cotton, acrylic, fishing line, size varies – 24" x 40" x 36" |
| Figure 9: | Survivor | Fiber | Hand-dyed silk, cotton embroidery floss, commercial cloth, acrylic, 33" x 28" |
| Figure 10: | Leviathan Part 1 | Sculpture | Wood, 20 ½" x 43" x 5" |
| Figure 11: | Leviathan Part 2 | Sculpture | Wood, 20 ½" x 43" x 2" |
| Figure 12: | Leviathan Part 3 | Sculpture | Wood, 20 ½" x 43" x 37" |

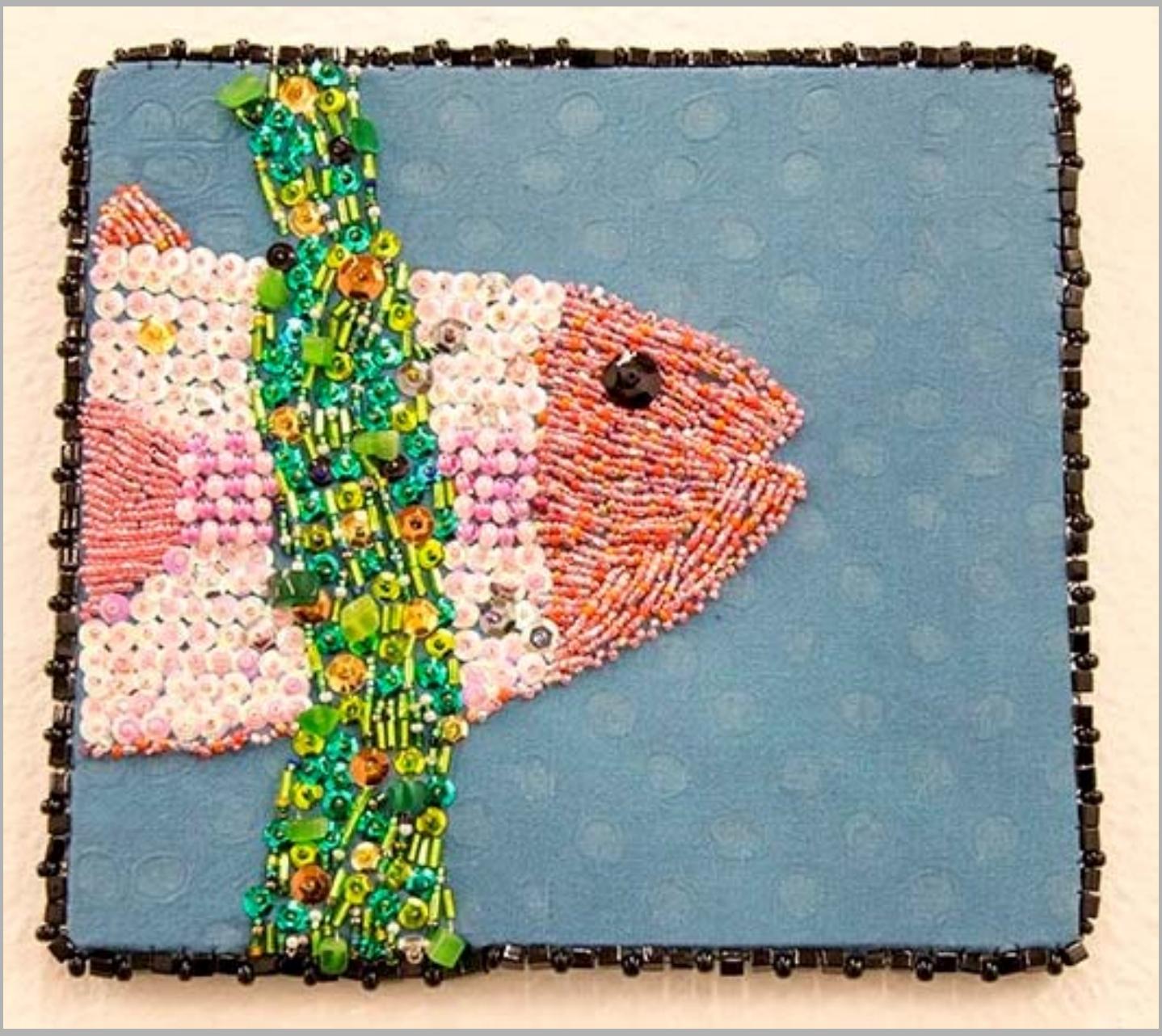


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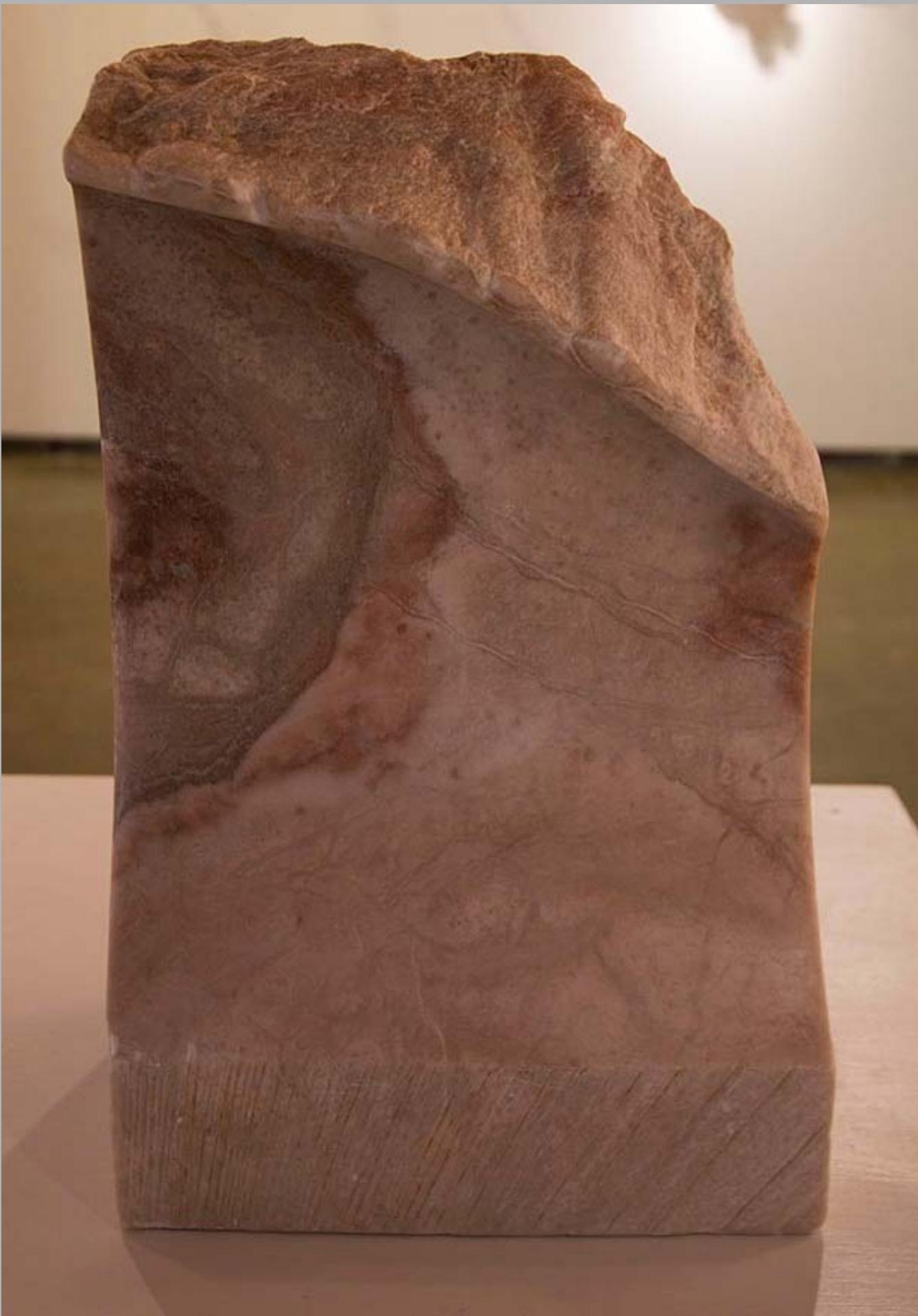


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