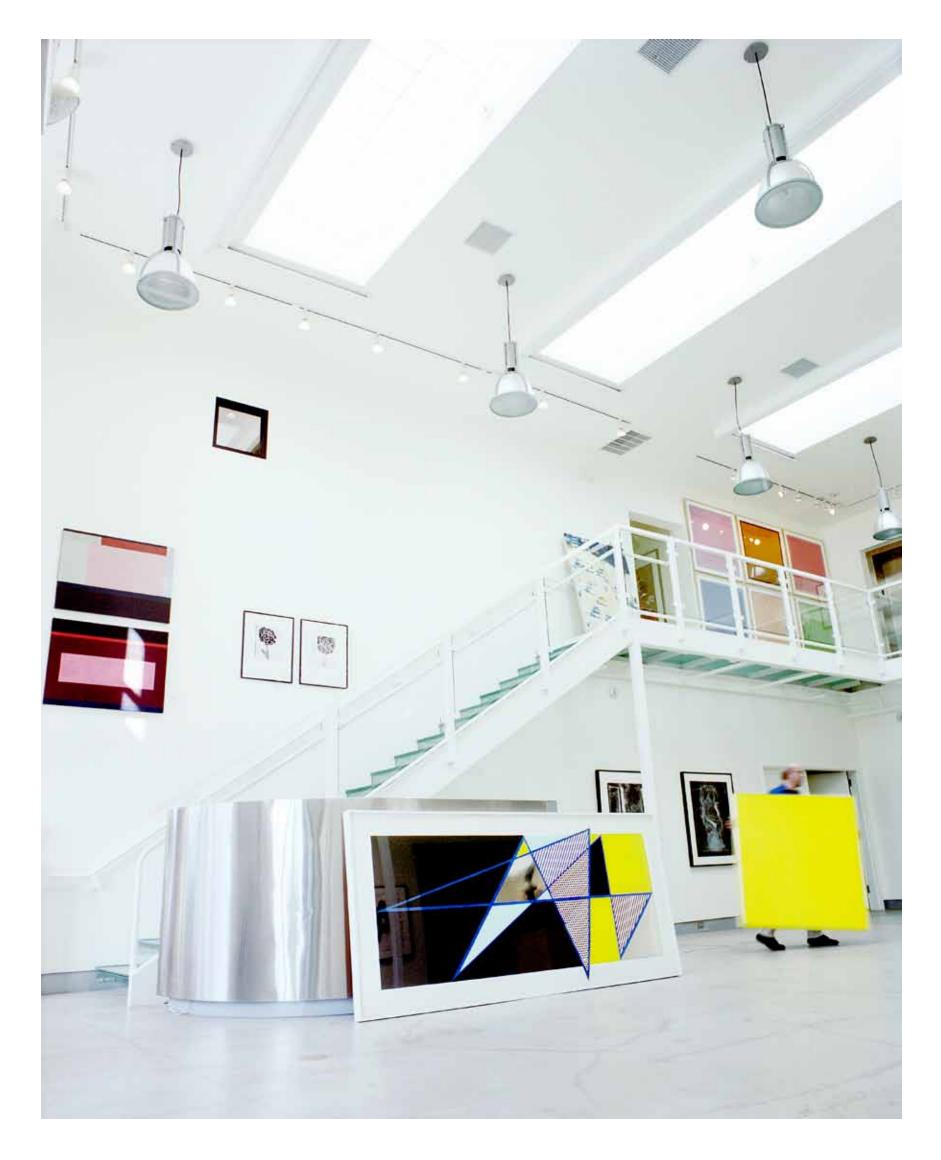
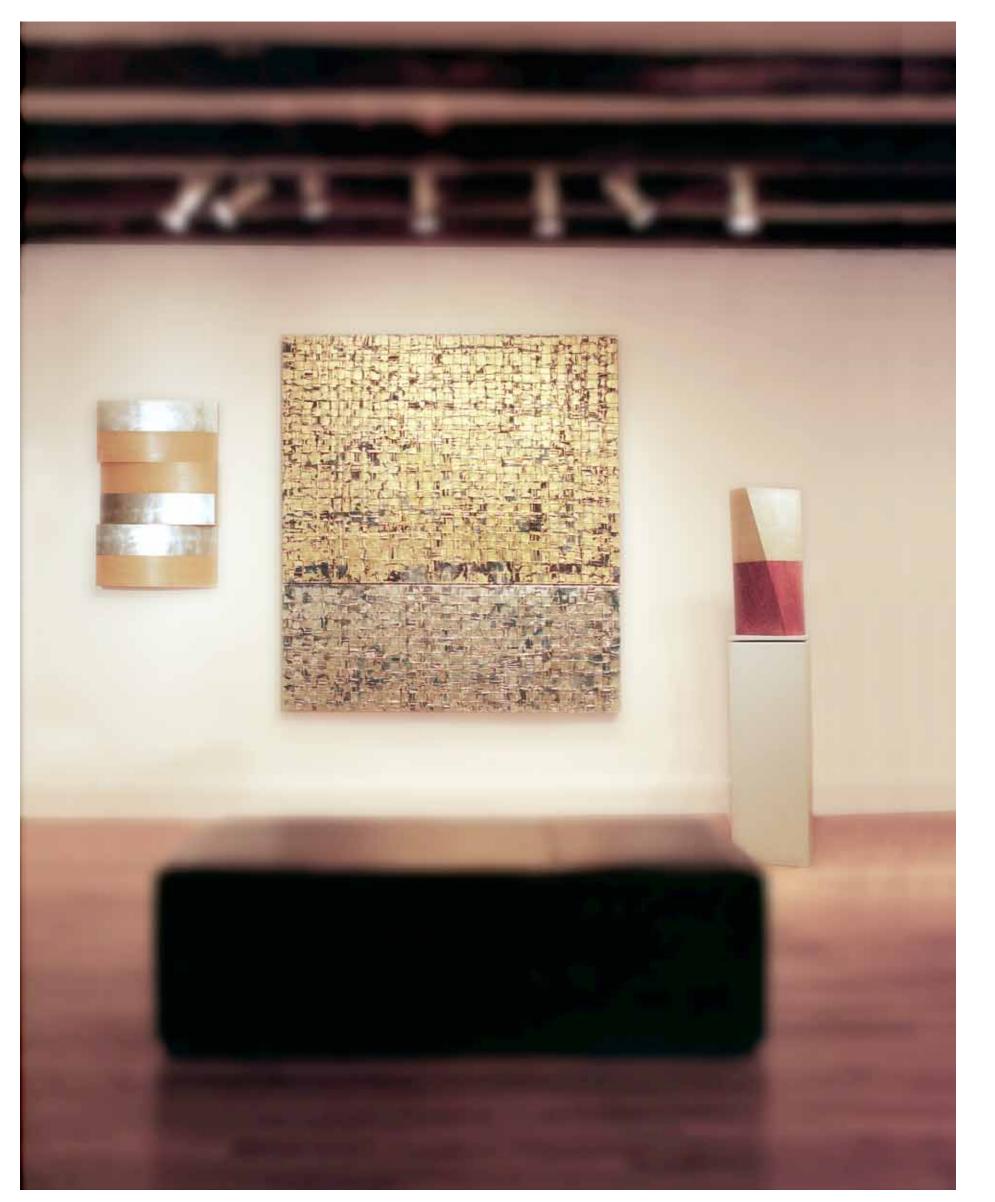
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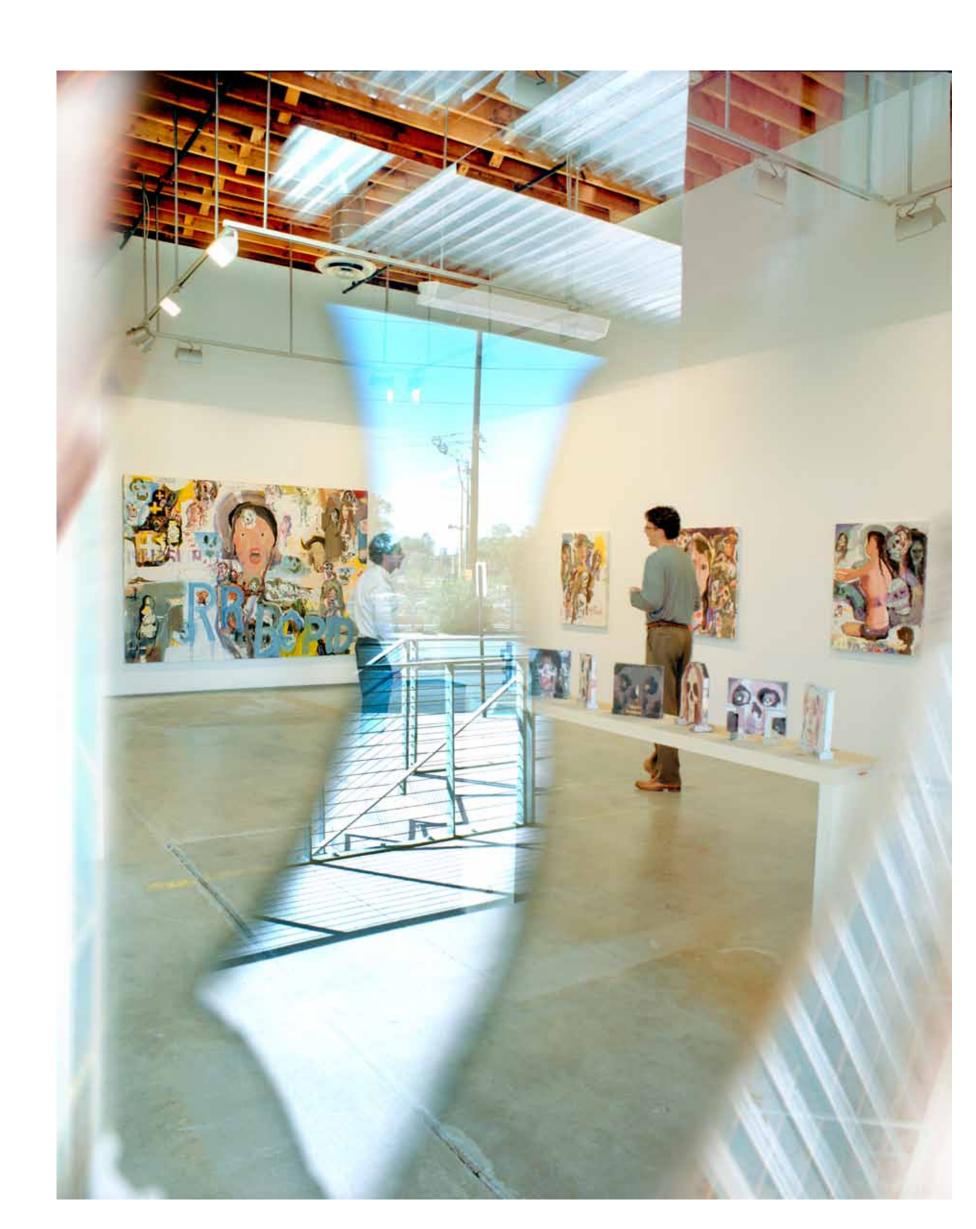






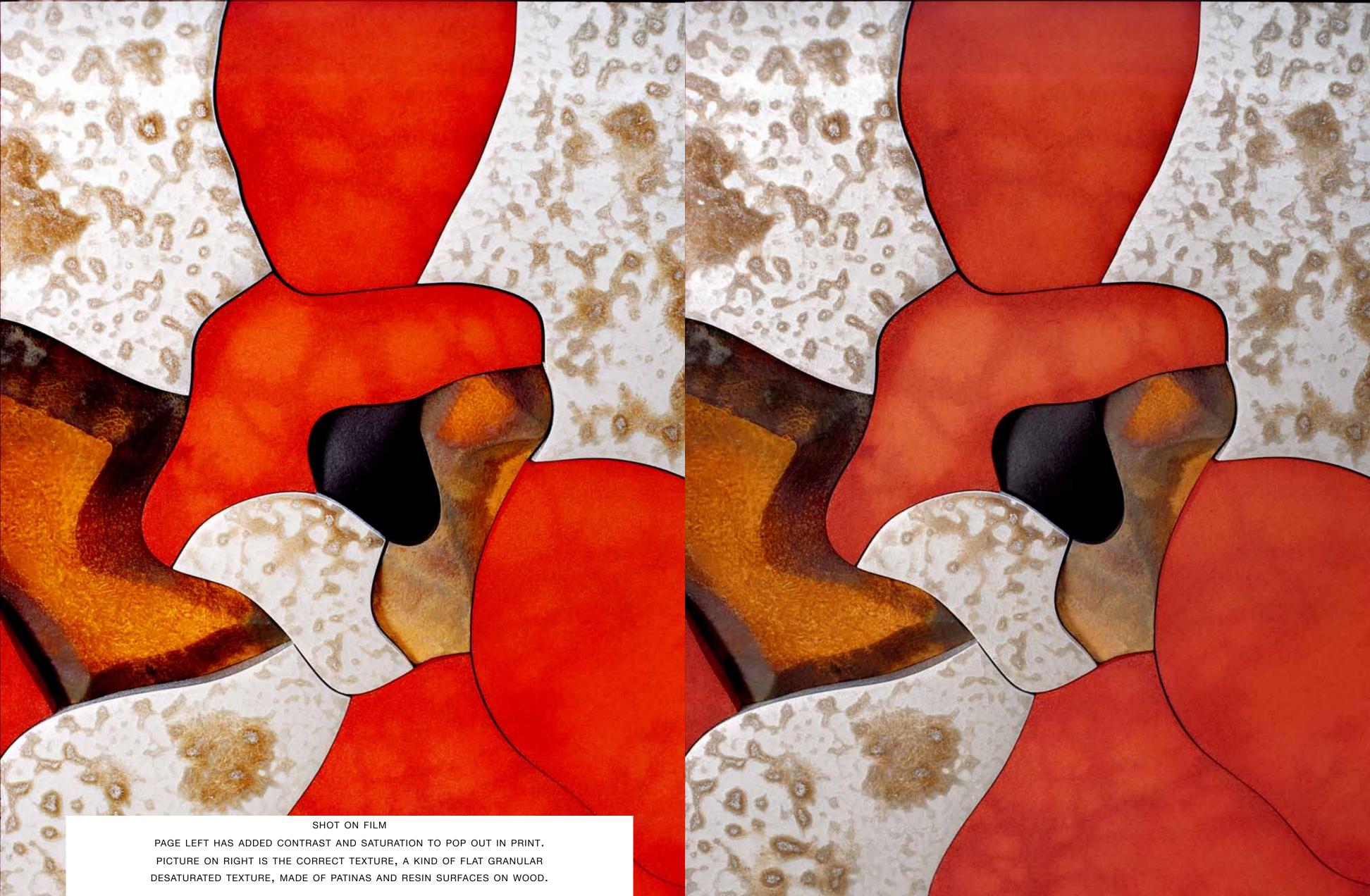




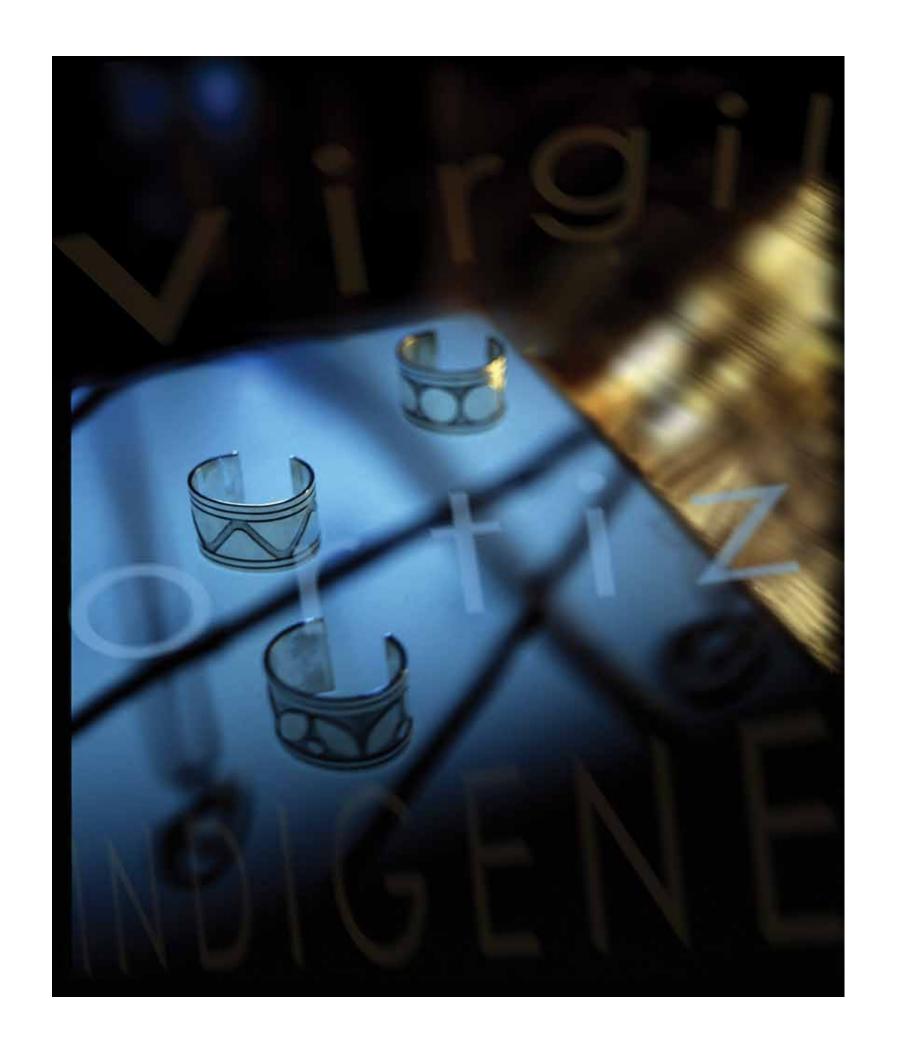




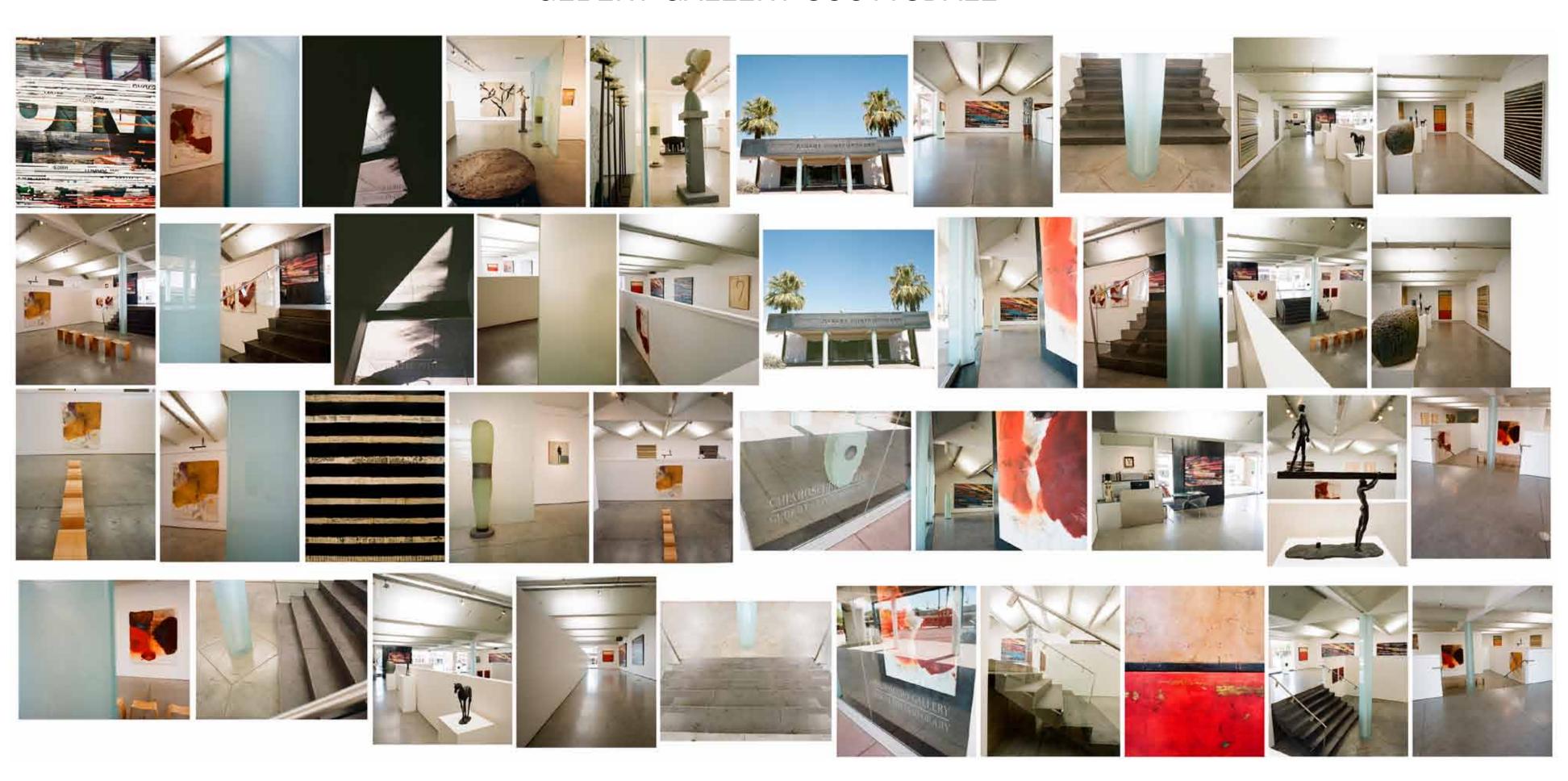


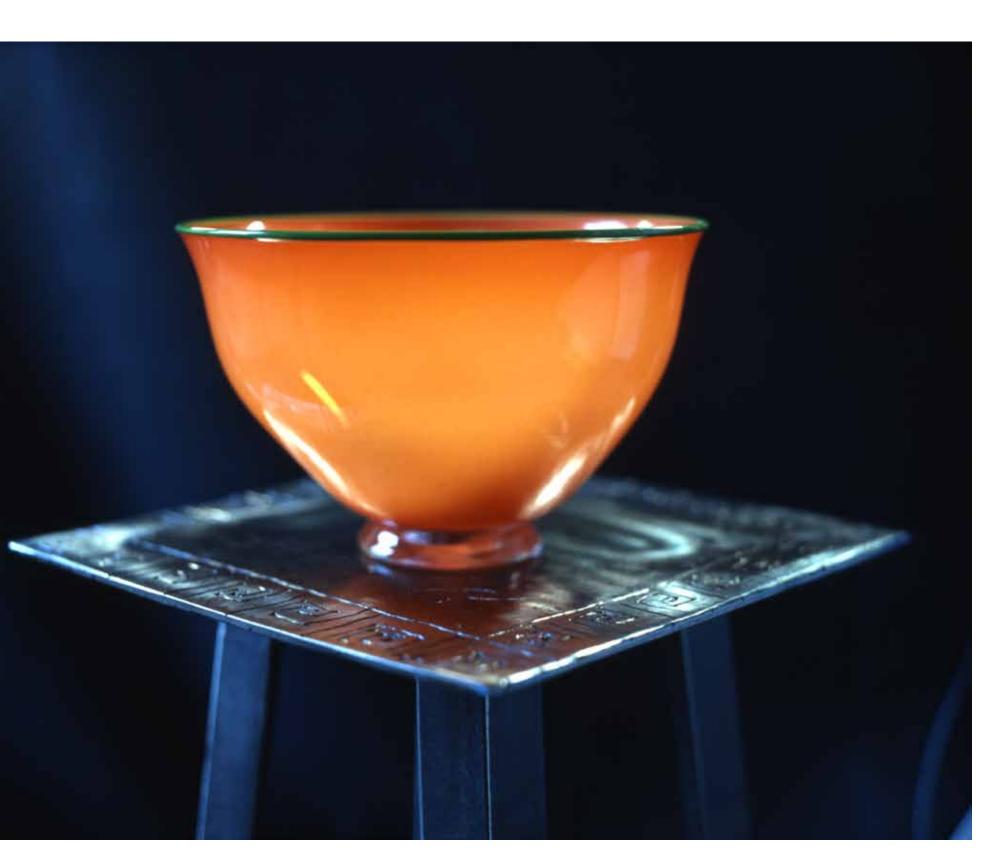






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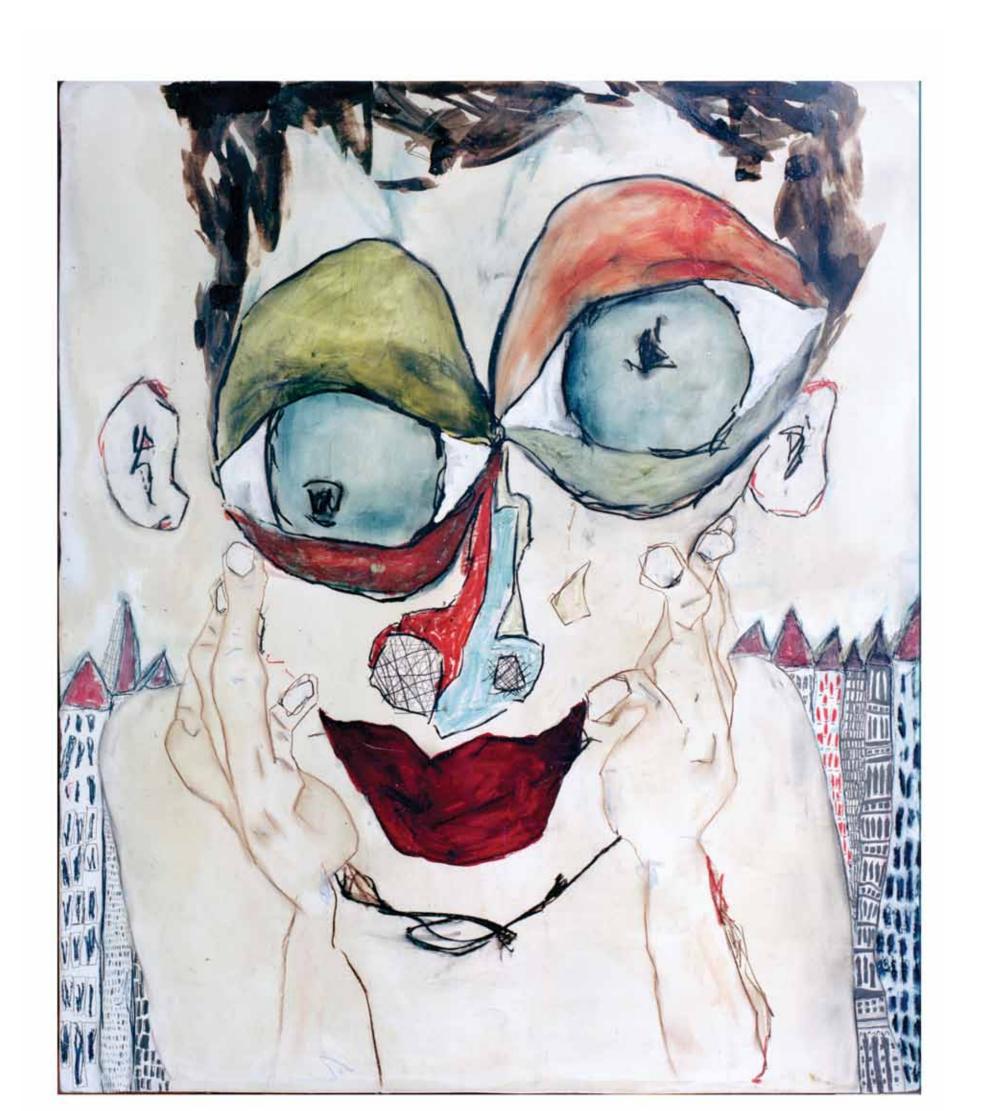
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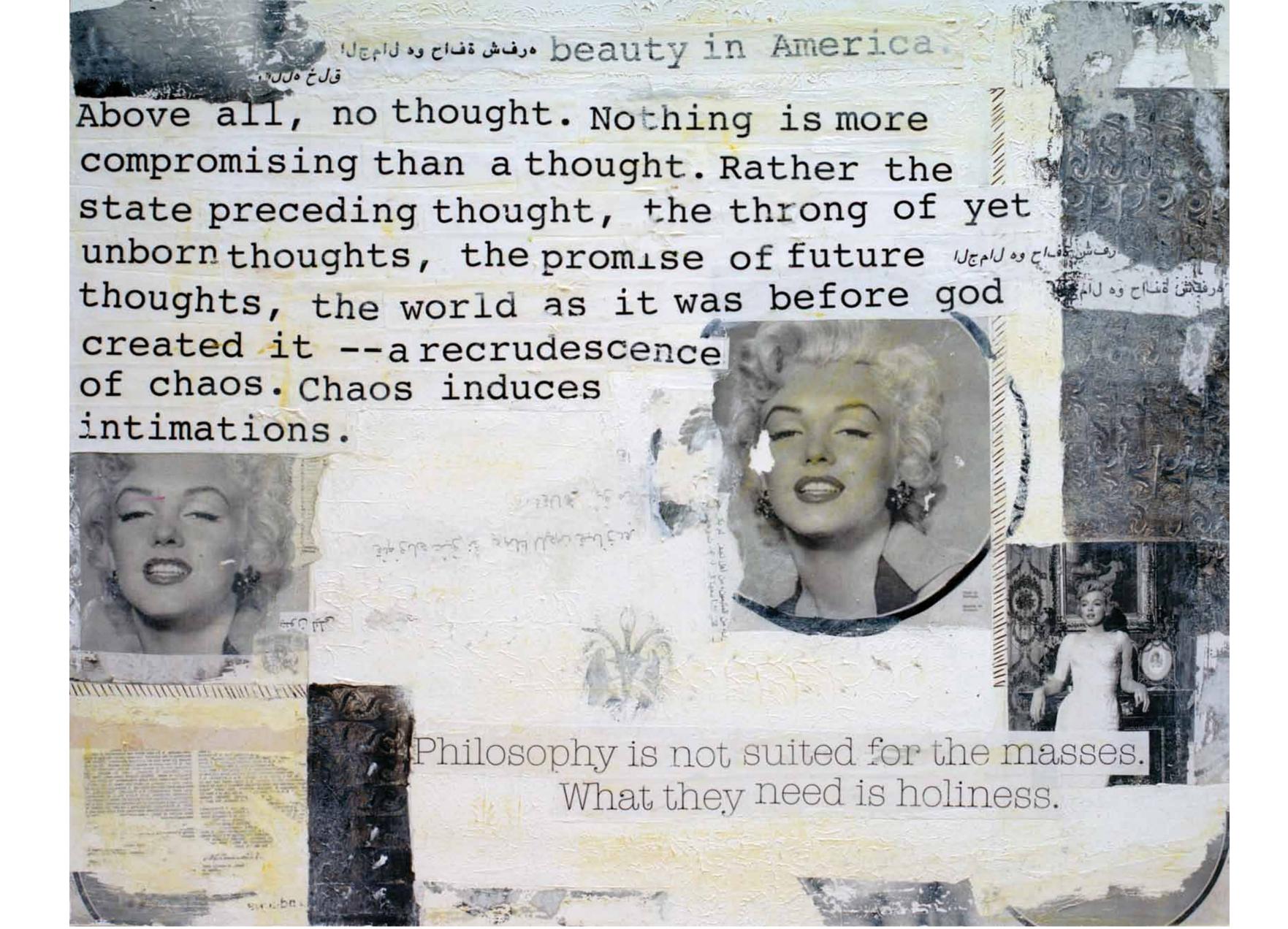


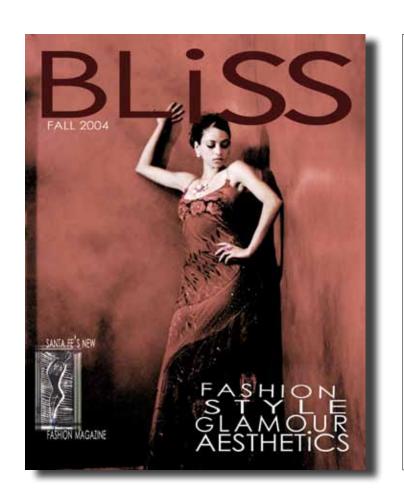
what inspires you? 90% of what I'm inspired by has nothing to do with the painting world. I don't sit around and look at other people's work alot. My head tends to make comparisons but that's not a healthy place to go, because there are none. One thing people say about my work all the time is that it's scary. They say it in front of me and it's pretty obvious that they're scared. It's coming from a deep place in them. So I don't want to get into a conversation about that. I've stood in front of it and not been scared so everyone is going to have their own experience with it. So I'm not going to dismiss people by saying, "No it's not about fear." That's one reason why I don't get involved in those conversations. Usually they are just reacting. Ten minutes later someone comes along and buys the same painting for the opposite reason. So what does inspire you? Manual labor. I'm into manual labor. I'm inspired by the manual labor of digging a big hole on the side of the hiway. Someone told me the word 'artist' comes from a Sanskrit word that just means 'to make something,' And I'm very attracted to that. The art labor doesn't separate me from a plumber, a carpenter. etc. What I feel really connected to is folk art and the obsessive workmanlike part of that. That keeps me legitimizing what I do in my own mind. When I talk about labor, I'm talking about craft. I love that. I love to make things well. I'm obsessively building things. Do you labor over your paintings? No. There is alot of that feeling and craft that come from my surroundings and how I've been influenced since I was a child. But you don't get certificates for that stuff and you don't always recognize that you have that knowledge. Alot of things I found myself doing in the craft-physical aspect of making a painting are things I learned from being on a movie set or being on a still photography set. But there is so much work that goes into the painting, like preparing the pannel. Someone told me once when I took some paintings into a gallery that there were never going to be any more art stars. It felt like a universal truth, No more Andy Warhols or Basquiats or whatever. Did you want to be an "art star"? No I just want to have the opportunity to be in my studio and be working. That's what I want to be doing. Making things and going on from where I am now. To tell you the truth, I'm pretty shocked that people like alot of the stuff I've been doing. I've got a great opportunity right now to work in my studio and paint. And that's fantastic. It's all I want to do. My paintings have been selling. The gallery is calling saying, 'make us paintings,' and I've been able to stay at home and do that. Do you plan your paintings? No. No. Well I ... do I plan my paintings? No. Don't you get ideas while you're out driving around? Yeah, but I never get back and remember them. Those kind of ideas I have driving around with no radio in my truck ... they're just a conversation in my head. I don't write things down. If there is any planning going on at all. I'm sort of drawing on scraps of pieces of paper. Drawing the same character over and over again. I would never sit down and do a sketch for a 6 foot painting and follow a plan from start to finnish in that way. I never do that. I have an idea of what I'm going to do on this particular pannel on that particular morning. The thing about painting for me, the big deal about it is that I feel compelled to do it every day and do it to new levels for me. There is always something going on in my head, some nonsense up there that I'm trying to achieve. So in that aspect of it that I am compelled to do it. Everything can be fixed in that world, pretty much. There is nothing you can do wrong. Not for me anyway. So that is different from being a father. If I let my head wrap itself around the task of painting, I wouldn't have a painting out there. My head would have never given me the permission to start being a painter in the first place.

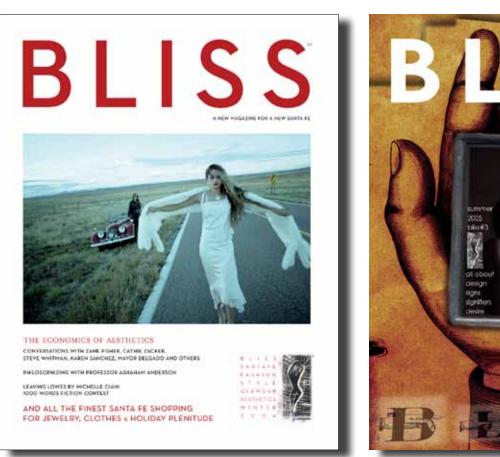
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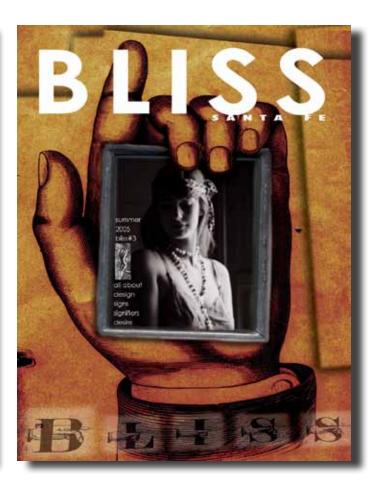


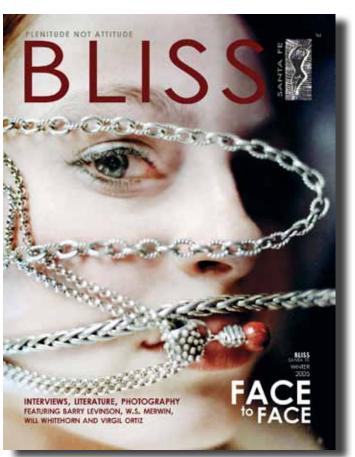


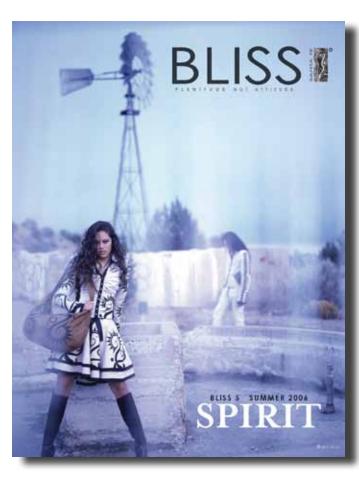




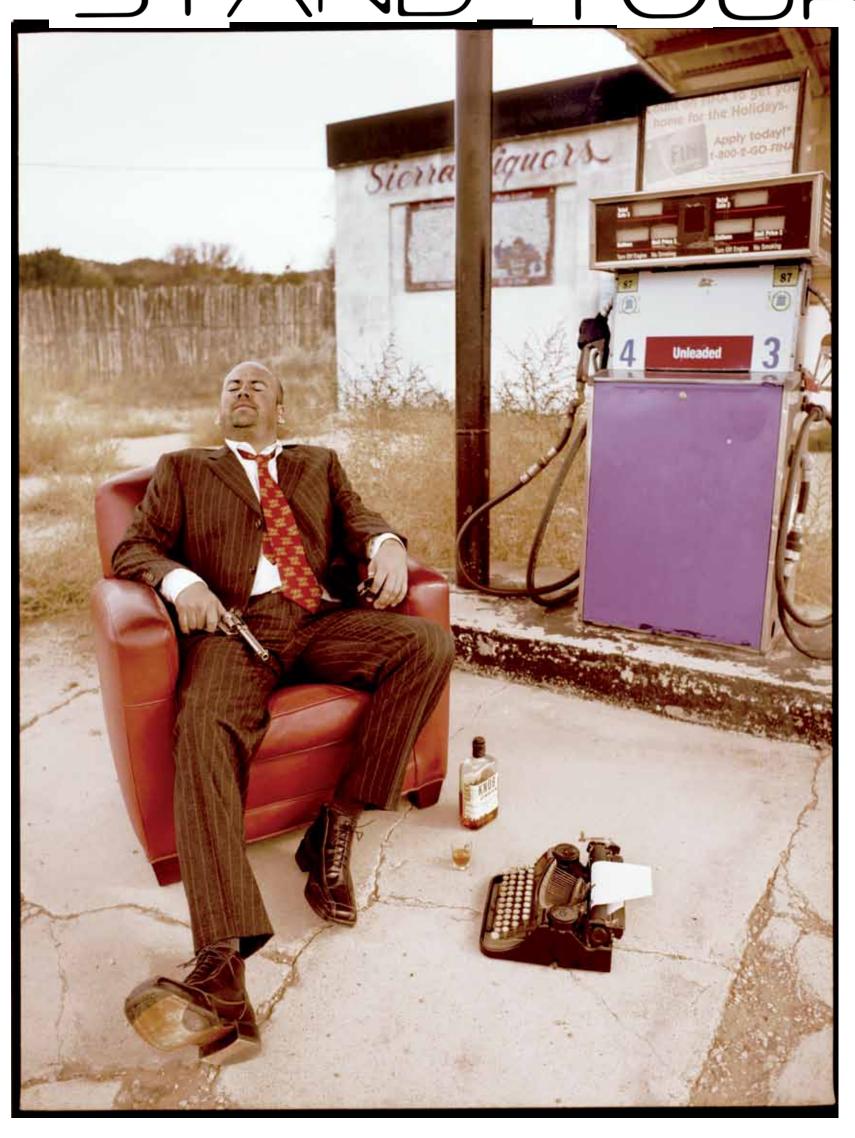








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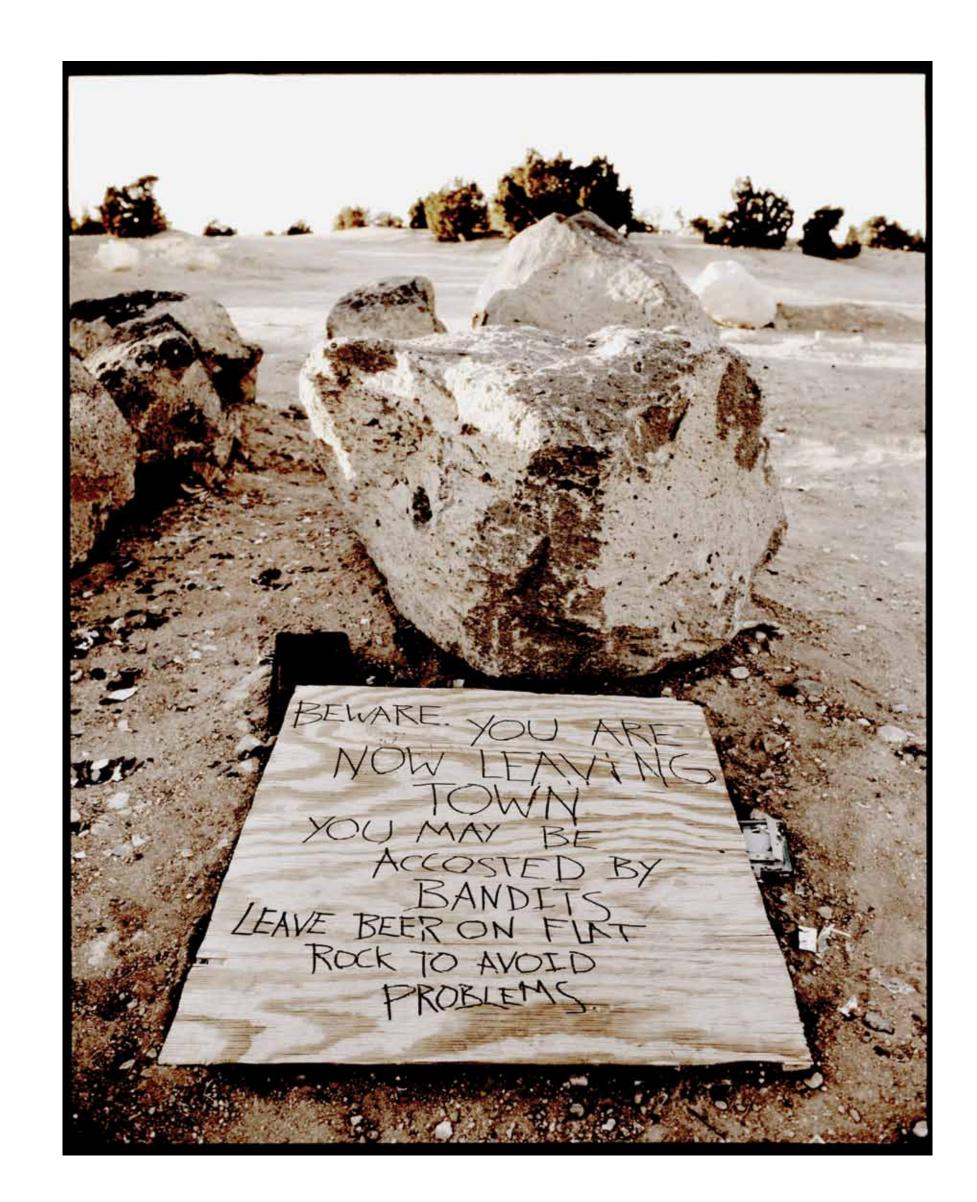


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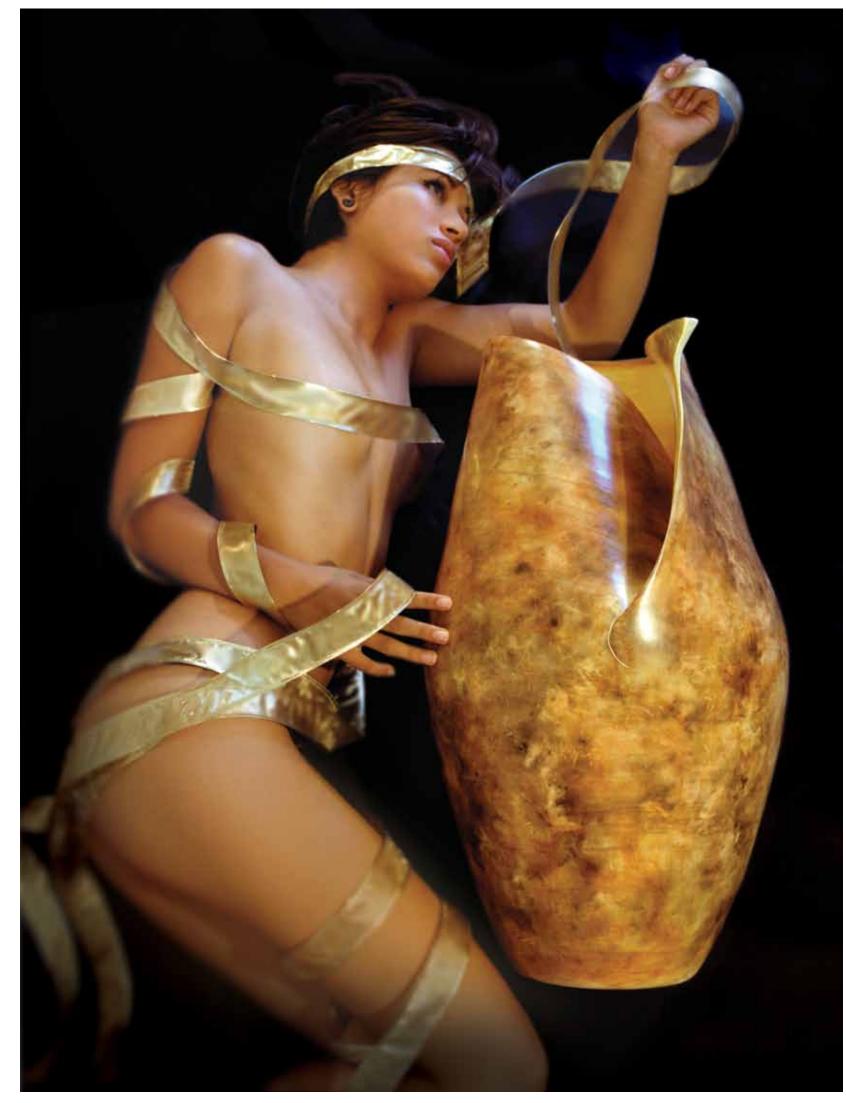
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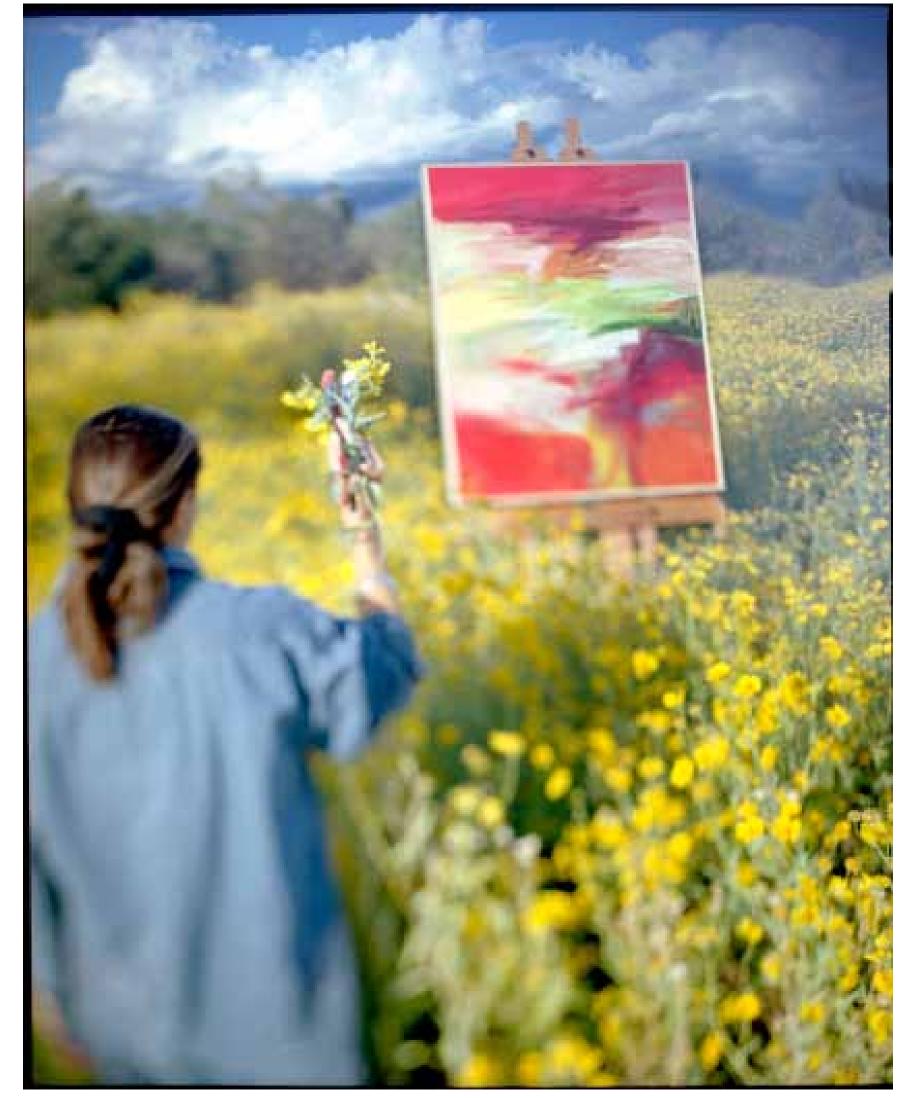


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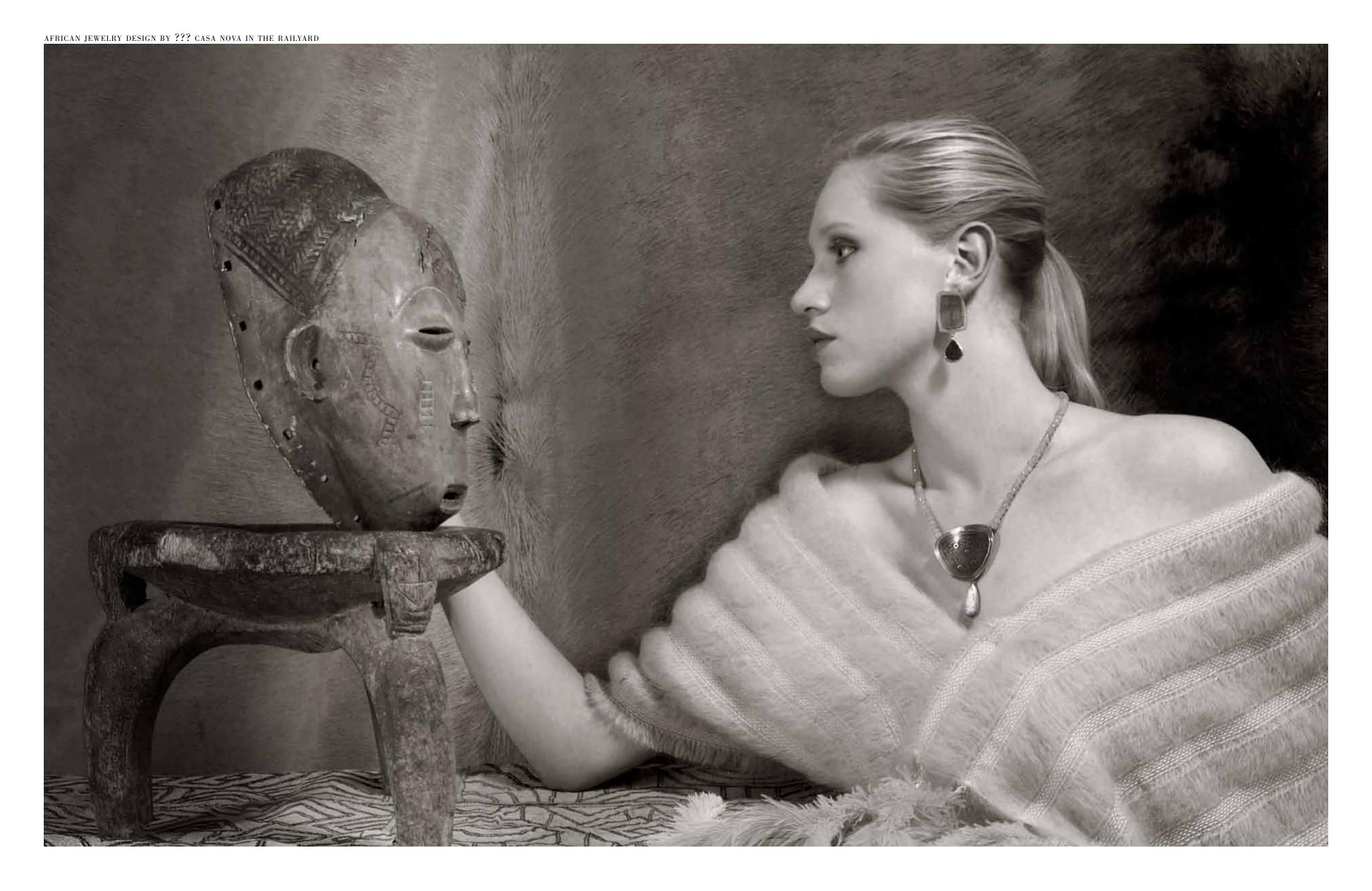








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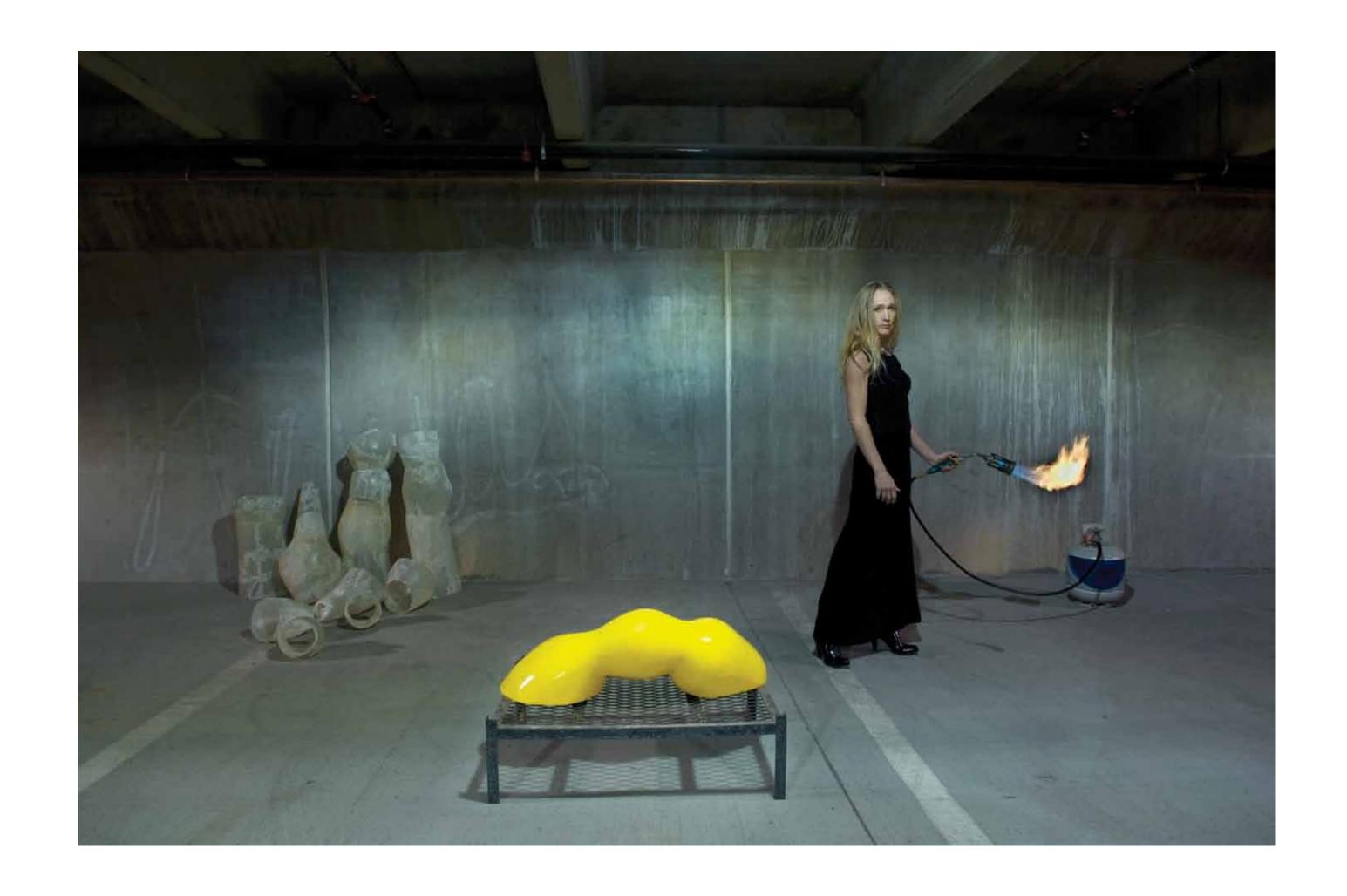
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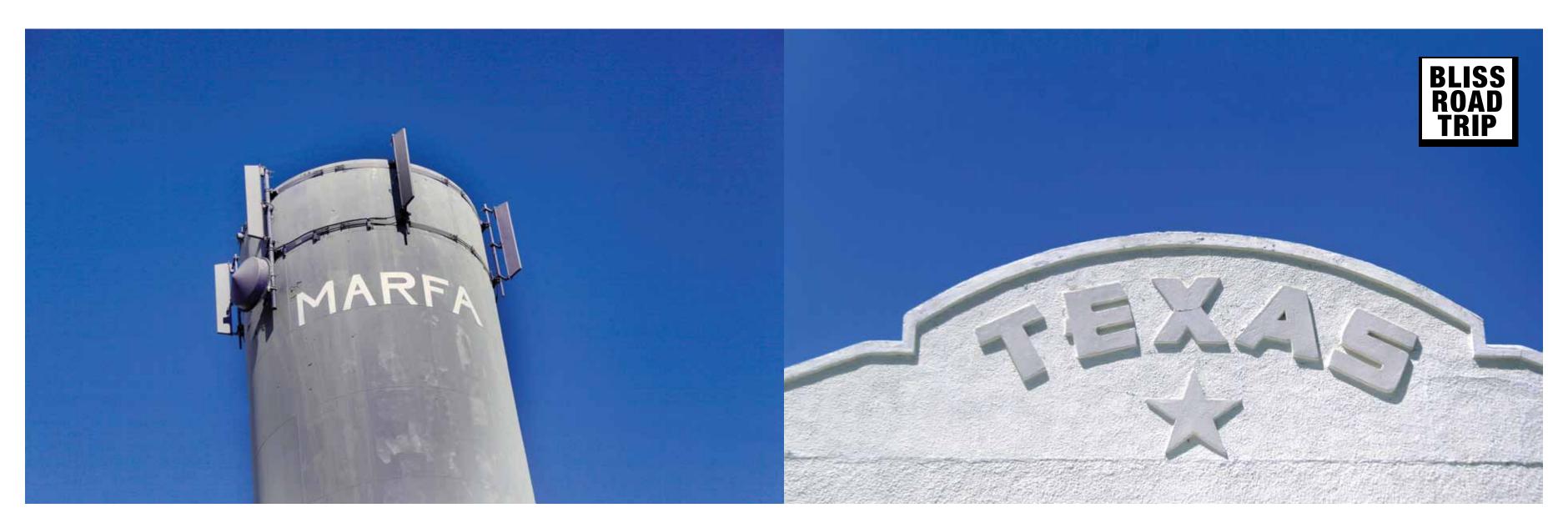


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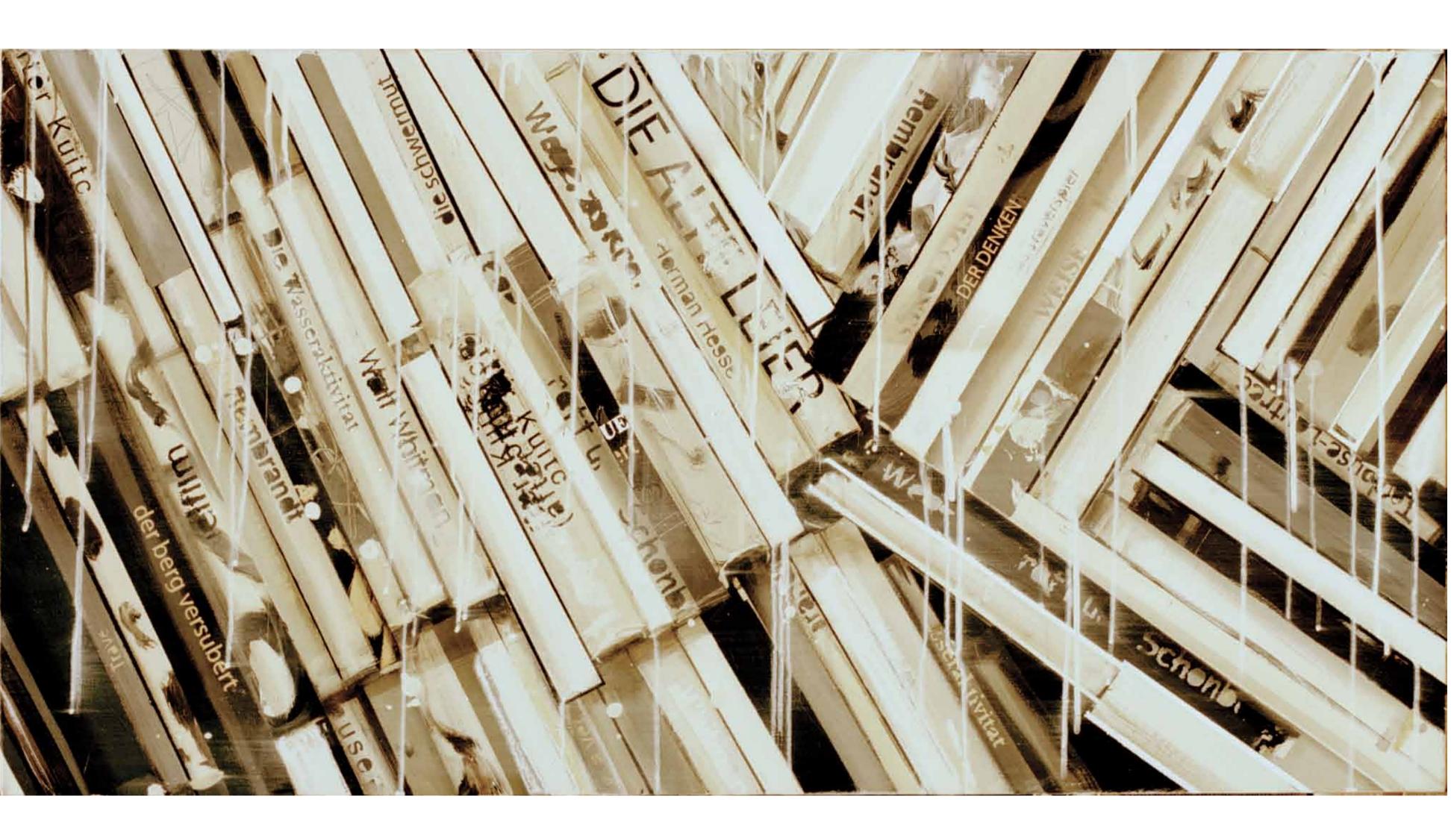
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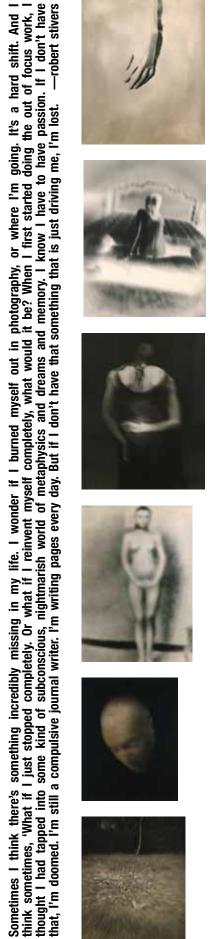


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Arthur Sze is the author of eight books of poetry, including Quipu (Copper Canyon Press, 2005), The Redshifting Web: Poems 1970-1998 (Copper Canyon, 1998), and The Silk Dragon: Translations from the Chinese (Copper Canyon). He was the first poet laureate of Santa Fe and formally a professor emeritus at the Institute of American Indian Arts. Miriam Sagan is an assistant professor in creative writing at SFCC. Her book MAP OF THE LOST is forthcoming from UNM Press and GOSSIP, a book of essays, is just out from Tres Chicas Books.

INTERVIEW WITH ARTHUR SZE BY MIRIAM SAGAN

SAGAN: CONTEMPORARY POETRY RUNS THE SPECTRUM IN TERMS OF THE OVERT SUBJECT MATTER FROM CONFESSIONAL TO SOMETHING LIKE LANGUAGE SCHOOL—ESSENTIALLY FROM WHERE SUBJECT DOMINATES TO WHERE STYLE DOMINATES. DO YOU CONSIDER YOUR WORK TO BE BASED PARTIALLY ON ABSTRACTION OR IS IT RATHER A VERY DENSE WAY OF APPROACHING EXPERIENCE IN LANGUAGE? WHAT IS YOUR OPINION ABOUT THE ISSUE OF OBSCURITY IN POETRY?

Sze: I like poems that are rich in layering: if a poem has multiple meanings, then the experience of the poem grows and deepens with repeated readings. Wallace Stevens once said, "Poetry must resist the intelligence almost successfully." I believe that a good poem communicates before it's fully understood, that the intelligence cannot understand the poem right away, that it takes time; but the initial experience is more of a physical and mysterious one, rather than a cerebral one.

My poems, then, are not based on abstraction, though I am interested in harnessing ideas. The great Japanese potter, Rosanjin, once remarked, "Without extraordinary ideas, there can not be extraordinary results." I am often interested in having an idea that works as a through-line: for instance, in Quipu, the recording system of knotted cords serves as a metaphor for how language can be spun, dyed, and knotted, but it also serves as a metaphor for lyric composition: "the mind ties knots, and I / follow a series of short strings to a loose end." I can say this in hindsight, but I could not have articulated it during the process of creation.

I value clarity rather than obscurity—and I am certainly opposed to willful obscurity—but we need poems that can articulate complex visions and experiences of the world. In doing so, poetry may make demands on a reader, but they are worthy ones. I believe poetry is more crucial now than ever before, because we are more challenged than ever before.

SAGAN: I ASSUME MOST READERS ON APPROACHING YOUR WORK WOULDN'T IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFY IT AS AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL. YET IT IS FULL OF IMAGES—AND THEMES—THAT SEEM BASED ON DAILY DOMESTIC LIFE (ALBEIT MIXED IN WITH OTHER CONCERNS, SUCH AS SCIENCE, TIME, ETC.) CAN YOU EXPLAIN HOW NARRATIVE YOU WANT THE WORK TO BE?

Sze: I'm interested in simultaneities, and my experience of the world is more like an ancient game of go than a traditional, linear narrative. I suppose I'm interested in a narrative of consciousness, where imaginative and emotional leaps can happen and happen in ways that are surprising and revelatory. In this way, I often use images and events out of daily domestic life (I like that grounding), but I like to think of these events as vehicles to reveal and revel in a larger, greater sense of the world.

Sagan: Although influence can be both direct or more ephemeral, I am curious about the influence of what you translate on what you write. I have always been intrigued by your use of the line in your poetry—the lines in your work seem unusually autonomous but connected somehow to the whole poem. Does this come in some way from Chinese poetry? Do other techniques?

Sze: The influence of translating Chinese poetry on my own poetry is more oblique than direct. When I starting translating Li Po, Tu Fu, and Wang Wei in 1971, I was in search of my own voice. I think that Chinese poetry

made me recognize the power and even primacy of sharp visual images and that it had a precision and clarity that I wanted to emulate. In 1983, when I translated Wen I-to, I was searching for how to extend a poem beyond 20-30 lines. Wen I-to, as in "Dead Water," takes many classic T'ang dynasty images and subverts them, or juxtaposes the harsh realities of twentienth-century China against the pure lyric. He is also able to extend and extend a poem, as in "Miracle," with great emotional and imaginative power. I didn't copy him, but, by translating Wen I-to, I was able to discover how to greatly deepen and expand the range of a poem.

When you ask about my use of the line in poetry—that it's unusually autonomous but connected somehow to the whole poem—I would say that this effect comes from Japanese as well as Chinese poetry. I visited Ryoanji Temple in Kyoto in 1990, and it was a pivotal experience. In that space of raked gravel, there are fifteen stones, set in clusters; and they are situated in such positions that a viewer can never see all fifteen at the same time. The stones are submerged at different depths; yet they are connected below surface. When I came back to New Mexico, I read some translations of Japanese haiku by Hiroaki Sato. He mentions that, unlike most translators of Japanese haiku, he prefers to render the entire haiku in one line. I know many translators of Japanese haiku may object to this practice, but I liked the sense of a clear and intense haiku happening in a one-line flash. I began to experiment with opening up the space of the page to incorporate more silence (as in the raked gravel) but wanted to keep sharp, intense images that had an emotional weight (as in the stones).

SAGAN: YOU DON'T WRITE PROSE OR CRITICISM, SEEM DEDICATED TO THE PURE PURSUIT OF POETRY, SO TRANSLATION IS YOUR ONLY OTHER FORM OF WRITING. WHAT IS THE GENESIS OF THE INTEREST, HOW DOES IT WORK FOR YOU—IS IT A DIFFERENT MUSCLE THAN WRITING POETRY?

Sze: It's true that I write very little prose or criticism. I've wanted to put all of my energy into writing poems, and the translation work is a kind of ground work. I like to write out the poems that I translate character by character, stroke by stroke. It enables me to physically experience the inner motion of a poem. And as the poem unfolds, I am given the opportunity to consider why this character, and not another, is located where it is. In many ways, translation exercises the same muscles that writing a poem does, but the muscle groups are easier to separate and focus on in a translation. Hopefully, when you turn to write a poem, you discover that your muscles are well-toned and much stronger.

SAGAN: I'VE HEARD YOU SAY THAT JUXTAPOSITION IS A CENTRAL TECHNIQUE IN YOUR WORK, PLACING THINGS SIDE BY SIDE. BUT IT SEEMS TO HAVE A SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT MEANING TO YOU THAN METAPHOR. CAN YOU ELABORATE?

Sze: When people raise the issue of juxtaposition in my poetry, they often think of such western antecedents as surrealism, cubism, collage etc. That's certainly a factor, but I would mention that the Chinese language is built around juxtaposition as a form of metaphor. The character "bright," for instance is composed of "sun" juxtaposed to "moon." The character "sorrow," for instance, has "autumn" (which is composed of "tree tip" and "fire") above, and "heart" below. One can thus read sorrow= autumn in the heart. Oftentimes the equal sign of the metaphor relation is removed, so that the two energies are brought into a field of interaction. The metaphor is indicated obliquely.

