## **Stephanie Armbruster**

Fine Arts United States

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### **Professional Experience and Curriculum Vitae**

ABOUT THE ART

Inspired by urban spaces, populations, and visual textures, my portfolio could be described as a whimsical interpretation of the urban landscape. Neither literal nor practical representations, my mixed medium paintings and installations depict the city as a layered accumulation of elements.

Informed by a fascination with graphic design and architecture, I draw on the language of street art to create disjointed compositions that are gestural and experimental. Layered photographs and ephemera lend a sense of place and recognition in an unraveling visual narrative of constant change.

Founded upon my experiences as a native of the rust belt, the urban construct depicted in my work is informed as much by fictional cities as real ones; the urban environment portrayed in films, books, and song lyrics merges with memory and documentation. Hiphop and electronic music provide the soundtrack to my work, while street art inspires a playful merging of images and architecture.

#### ABOUT ME

I firmly believe that buildings and other structures have relationships with each other. I am deeply amused by pictures of people dressed up in costumes, have an obsession with goldfish, and never sleep as well as I'd like. I am in love with typography and architecture and never seem to have hot water for my morning shower. I received my BFA in painting and printmaking from Carnegie Mellon University in 2006, have a wonderful studio across the street from a steel mill in Braddock, PA and grew up in the suburbs of Cleveland, OH.

#### **Previous Clientele**

**COLLECTIONS:** 

PNC Bank Corporate Artwork Collection Fidelity Investments Corporate Artwork Collection

MUSEUMS - Temporary Exhibits: The Mattress Factory Museum of Contemporary Art The Carnegie Museum of Art The Pittsburgh Children's Museum

#### **Awards and Accolades**

SELECTED EXHIBITS 2005-2011

709 Penn Gallery - Solo Exhibit, Pittsburgh, PA In Search of Something More (2011)

Mattress Factory Museum of Contemporary Art, Pittsburgh, PA
Gestures 13: An exhibit of site-specific works (July 2009 – January 2010)
UnSmoke Systems Artspace, Braddock (July 2009 – January 2010)
Night Out Braddock (2009)
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WWW.THECREATIVEFINDERINGUIStrial Design Society of America Regional Conference, Pittsburgh, PA
Artwork featured at Bright Innovations Studio (2009)
Space 101 Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA

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