



DERRICK BREIDENTHAL | Artist Statement

My work is based on the romantic recall of nature combined with the reality of the natural condition. I use abstraction tempered with realism to emphasize these contradictions. This combination creates a tension that drives my work. I am drawn to this comparison of what I hope for and what I know to be true.

I communicate this contrast by choosing materials that emphasize this idea. I use methods that can adapt to the balance of suggestion, enhance the vague perfection of a dream, as well as hold up to the roughness of reality.