*Searching for Life: Re-growth & Display*

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Artist Statement:

This current body of work delves into dreams. Playing upon the Surrealists experimentation of media, I am using, color digital photography with a Petzval lens to obtain a unique look. By utilizing the bokeh effect resulting in a shallow depth, that this lens creates, I am enhancing the mysterious quality of the images to recreate snippets of my personal dreams.

In each image, I am playing with size and spatial juxtapositions. By Utilizing shallow space and a shallow depth of field, a moment is delineated. Being a new body of work, I am snatching a glance of time in each dream.

These ideas have been collected from years of cataloguing dreams that have remained in my selective unconscious. Additionally, some of the objects used, such as a wooden boat, have also been collected without any known future use. These diverse objects and dreams are then combined in the creative process constructing a new personal narrative. Thus, allowing me to alter and assign additional mystery to each of the images. These tableaus become dream memories.

When viewed as a group, the images flow, nonlinear, to create a story of their own. By exploring recreating lost dreams, I am creating a tableau story that moves through time and memory. This new body of work is ongoing.