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Layne Kleinart's "Dirty Laundry" debuts at ZINC contemporary on May 4, 2017



Layne Kleinart, *Three On A Raft*, stain and pigment on second-hand pillow case

May 2017 - Seattle, WA: ZINC contemporary presents new works by Layne Kleinart in her solo exhibition "Dirty Laundry" showing May 4 – May 27, 2017. Through the subject of youth and animals, "Dirty Laundry" seeks to explore the transient nature of innocence and memory in gestural paintings on second-hand bedsheets and pillow cases. **The opening reception will be held on May 4, 5-8pm** during Pioneer Square's First Thursday Art Walk.

Kleinart explores the use of natural stains, such as coffee and beet juice, and pigments on repurposed linens. Toeing the line of intentional and spontaneous mark-making, she uses the unpredictable interaction of materials and subtle nuances to highlight her subject matter. Figures and heads, both animal and human, function as facades that can hide, reveal or blur the subject's intentions. The images are haunting, yet curious and playful. Kleinart first began using second-hand sheets when she was exploring materials that were easily transportable on cross-country trips. Rather than mask the identity of these found materials, Kleinart embraces the materials and accentuates their spectral nature by hanging them as sculptural installations, floating from the wall and shifting with the movements of the viewer.

ZINC contemporary owner, Laura Zeck, on Layne Kleinart: "I have been lucky to know Layne and her work for a long time and I am so excited to debut her work with this series - I find each piece to be so provocative, haunting and subtle."

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Layne Kleinart is a Seattle-based artist who holds Fine Art degrees in Painting from the University of Hawaii and Printmaking from the University of Washington. She has shown nationally at institutions such as the Seattle Art Museum, the Portland Art Museum and 5+5 Gallery in New York. Internationally, her work has been featured at Instituto de Artes Graficas de Oaxaca, Mexico, and the Shenzhen Art Institute, China. Kleinart has also served the arts community on numerous boards, including the Seattle Art Museum Contemporary Art Council Board, the Pratt Fine Arts Center Board of Trustees and UW School of Art +Art History + Design Advisory Board.

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