

Statement  
**Jen Ament**

My paintings are conceived through perceptions of reality based on different philosophies and examinations of the unexplained, magical thinking, and the discovery of a universal truth. My goal is to expand and clarify the idea of existence and reality through an investigation of “what is truth?” in my paintings. I believe there is some kind of universal energy around the question of “is everything an illusion?”, and the possibility that we’re living in a dream state.

The investigation of reality, to me, means being aware of and interacting with one's surroundings, to break through illusions we create for ourselves, while also being acutely aware of the reality we live in. I also see my art as political commentary about the time and space we find ourselves in and a subtle glance towards hope for the future and for personal growth and evolution.

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