

BIO

**Janel Johnson**

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Janel Johnson is a visual artist living in Seattle, WA. Her current body of work is based around the issues of loss and grief and explores the nature of humankind's desire for control and permanence. She earned an MFA from Hunter College in New York, a Graduate Certificate at the Fine Art Academy in Helsinki, Finland and a BFA at the Kansas City Art Institute. Awards include a NEA Midwest Regional Arts Fellowship, Art Matters Grant, and awarded art residencies. Janel has been employed in the Fine Art Services Industry and gives presentations about conservation framing and art display.