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2018 MFA, Creative Writing & Publishing, University of Baltimore, Baltimore, MD

Artist Bio & Statement

Tara Gillespie (b.1983, Timonium, MD) is an abstract artist with a passion for contemporary art. In 2018 she started mixing her own acrylic paints and experimenting with resin, amongst other materials, and her practice has evolved since. Her studio is based in Timonium, MD, where she offers in-person fluid art classes for adults and children. She also teaches these classes as an instructor at Manor Mill in Monkton, MD.

My work is inspired by my own fantasies and aims to connect our world with the spiritual. Beauty, mindfulness, and dreams are themes I currently explore as well as energetic exchange. In my process I exploit the properties of paint and resin to make ethereal works that mimic and transcend reality. I call my work "Dream Topography" because I feel my art pieces evolve to resemble 3-dimensional maps where the viewer searches through layers of form in nature including landforms, minerals, water bodies, plant life, cellular structures, and atmosphere, to get to the surface of a dream (which is formless). In this space, I believe our spirits are rejuvenated and I think this experience is why human consciousness "gets lost" in daydreams.

Exhibitions/Festivals

2024 Festival of Trees - Timonium, MD

2024 Artscape - Baltimore, MD

2024 ArtFest by the Sea in Juno Beach - Jupiter, FL

2024 Marco Island National Fine Art Show - Marco Island, FL

2024 VisArts' Rockville Arts Festival - Rockville, MD

2023 Artscape - Baltimore, MD

2023 VisArts' Rockville Arts Festival - Rockville, MD

2023 Bethesda Fine Arts Festival 2023 - Bethesda, MD

- 2023 American Craft Made Convention - Baltimore, MD
- 2022 FaerieCon - Baltimore, MD
- 2022 Chevy Chase Fine Art Festival - Chevy Chase, MD
- 2020 Raw Artists Baltimore Showcase - Baltimore, MD
- 2019 Karmafest - Timonium, MD
- 2019 Pop- up art exhibition titled "Blurred Boundaries" - Baltimore, MD