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The Gallery: Margaret Lanzetta

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Glassblower I, acrylic and pigmented pulp on paper, 36" x 50"

Introducing Margaret Lanzetta [http://margaretlanzetta.com/index.htm] .

Good lord, who knew that dueling carpet, wallpaper, upholstery and metal work patterns could take one's breath away so!?

I'm an unabashed pattern fan, and so when I met Ms. Lanzetta two nights ago and was handed her card -- featuring the tiniest fragment of one of her paintings, the one above in fact -- I knew immediately i'd have to share her work with AT readers

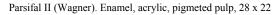


Midsummer's Marriage I (Tippett). Enamel, acrylic, pigmeted pulp, 36 x 25

The Favorite (Donizetti). Enamel, acrylic, pigmeted pulp, 33 x 24

The artist, considering her work in a larger social context, explains that her,"paintings explore the current state of affairs in the world; widespread cultural overlap and dislocation. War, political upheaval, and social and economic devastation give rise to massive global migration, resulting in disparate cultural overlaps and clashes. Who is rooted to where they live now? Whose culture is dominant? With over 30 million both legal and illegal immigrants in the US alone, this cultural clash becomes the fabric of daily life for the world."

The Knot Garden I (Tippett). Enamel, acrylic, pulp, 36 x 25



I like the metaphor of artist as DJ at the mixing table, spinning and weaving motifs from different cultures, experimenting with scale and repetition, to create a new fabric.



Arc of Stability. Enamel, acrylic, pigmented pulp on paper mounted on canvas, 36 x 50

Ambidextrous, 2005. Oil and enamel on canvas, 56"h x 40"w

Jouvenilia, 2002. Oil on Canvas, 56 x 40

Sonatina, 2005. Oil on Panel, 17 x 17

If you are like me, already casing your apartment for the perfect wall to devote to one of these -- you'll want to know how to reach the artist. Please contact Ms Lanzetta [mailto:margaret@margaretlanzetta.com] directly via email, or contact Kenise Barnes [mailto:Kenise@KBFA.com] at Kenise Barnes Fine Art [http://www.kbfa.com/mlanzetta.htm].

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