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C. ANTHONY HUBER: *RE-SURFACE*

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OPENING RECEPTION:

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 6 – 8 PM



C. Anthony Huber. *Inter/Section I*, 2015. Courtesy of the artist.

This collection of new mixed media works on canvas represents a homecoming for Huber. Each work in this exhibition was inspired by a roadway intersection from his childhood hometown—specifically in material and formal qualities such as shape, color, and composition. In these works Huber utilizes materials such as concrete and blacktop along with oil paint to recreate surfaces of pavement that he has been photographing and cataloging for the last twenty years.

According to Huber: “Cement is the new cave wall: we still, and always are, primal beings with an immense desire to understand our environment around us. My work draws from that well; it draws a line between the motives of prehistoric cave art and our own attempts to order and decipher the modern urban environment. As humans we innately respond to mark making. My work explores this instinct and learned behavior by isolating specific segments of the environment that contain elements of abstracted visual language, and how that visual language shapes human interaction and helps us in understanding our modern environment.”

This project reflects the artist’s desire to capture and examine the language of mark making. Huber’s work explores how the handling of symbols, marks, shape, and color act as a direct mode of human communication and understanding. This relationship is what first drew Huber into art and has influenced his practice for so many years. For this body of work, he has dedicated himself to remaining true to the visions that initially pushed him into art -making.

ABOUT THE ARTIST

C. Anthony Huber is a self-taught artist born in Rochester, MN. Huber spent many years living and working throughout the United States, Asia, the Pacific region, and the Middle East. Huber holds a degree in General Studies from the University of Honolulu Chaminade, and a Masters Degree in History from Iowa State University. His education, travel, and life experience has greatly influenced his perspective of art, and the impact it can have across time and broad geographical regions.

Huber’s studio is located in Rochester, Minnesota, United States.

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ABOUT RAC2: LOCAL ARTIST EXHIBITION SERIES

RAC2 supports talented artists throughout our region. RAC2 serves eleven counties including Dodge, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Houston, Mower, Olmsted, Rice, Steele, Wabasha, and Winona. With this series, RAC has broadened and diversified the creative opportunities for Rochester area artists as RAC's professional staff serves both a curatorial and mentorship role, working directly with artists on realizing their vision throughout the implementation of a new project. This collaboration creates an enriching experience and an exciting program and venue for artists practicing in our area. It also offers the community the opportunity to celebrate local artistic achievement.

RAC2 is supported by The Judy & Jim Sloan Foundation, and Maggie & Dr. Paul Scanlon.

ABOUT ROCHESTER ART CENTER

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