

Cities and Souls

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Reflections on Urbanity

Human intention has created cities - vast, engaging, detached, inspiring, humbling . . .

Surrounded and shaped by brick, glass, smoke and steel, citizens of cities commune in spaces stacked row upon row, column upon column - some softened by a primordial impulse to fold nature back into an urban landscape to sustain well-shaped souls.

soul-shaped cities, city-shaped souls

Artists and poets gather here to sing their songs of cities, inspiring us to think, feel and talk about the ways we interact, adapt and respond to our urban habitats.





Renee Luna Bebeau
CN Tower, Toronto
 watercolor on paper
 10x7 - \$150

City

Conceived on drafting papers
 Geometric projections
 Upon inconvenient surfaces
 Haunts filled with felled trees
 Ancient scrapings of flowing lobes of ice
 Nature's arrangements carrying wolves
 Mesquines, rice and vines
 Healing hearth on moirane and kame
 Overlooking aluvial far-bounty
 Traded for dusted street, splintered boardwalk
 Coal dust, rape, turpentine, sooted tissue
 Horseshit and oil
 Steel and glass

Monstrous
 Breathing gases
 Living half above half below
 Sucking, gurgling
 Smelling of sallow, yeast, chocolate, effluvi...
 Chewing souls in towers and on bread, flat surfaces
 Gliding and lishing vehicles in bright flagged sewers
 Made of stone, wood, tar, metal, plastic...
 Adamant in space and locking down
 Maintained by over-tilt and repair
 Blood stream of pulsing traffic and dripping sweat

Dream sweetness of walled garden bird songs
 Winded shores for beach jay
 Collected memory extracts on museum quality
 This and that
 Spirits and ethers
 Streams and rivers and grasses of the brave
 All moved for moving's sake
 Grumble under winding sheets of spurted growth
 Untended and upended factory tomb
 Masses of bloom of algae
 In pleistocene waters
 Clear, dear and near

Arteries preserve names of fame
 Elm, Maple and Main
 New view reticle bound
 Hiss of canyon ponds
 Round the corner to see that local reinvent...
 We recognize each other

*Mountain Island
 Brook*

Dream

STREET SIGN

Jeff Cartier
City
 Ekphrastic poem

NFS



Jeff Cartier
Tower 1
Digital photograph
16.5x13 - \$250



Jeff Cartier
Indian Boundary Park
Digital print from 35mm Ektachrome reversal slide
13x16.5 - \$250



Jenny Lee
Stardust
Oil on canvas
24x30 - NFS



Jenny Lee
Whispers of the Twilight Mist
Oil on canvas
20x24 - \$785



Barbara Miner

Jesse Barnes, 30 years in the auto industry

Photograph printed on archival paper

From project, "Shadows of Industrialization"

42x32 - \$1,250



Barbara Miner

Laurie Drake, 25 years at Briggs and Stratton

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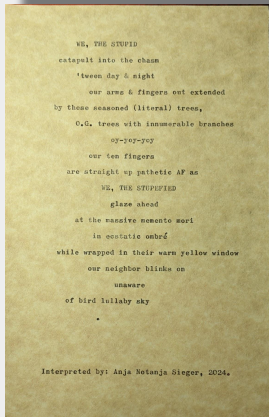


Todd Mrozinski

Riverwest Sunset

Etching & aquatint w/chine-cole

14x10 - \$650



Anja Notanja Sieger

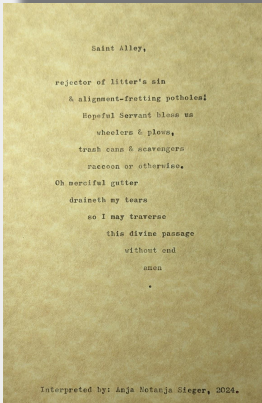
Ekphrasis: **We, The Stupid**

Machine type on paper

\$75



Todd Mrozinski
Riverwest Alley 2
Etching & aquatint
12x6 - \$425



Anja Notanja Sieger
Ekphrasis: **Saint Alley**
Machine type on paper
\$75



Reagan Mulvey
Crossroads
Acrylic, acrylic latex caulk, sand & crayon on canvas
48x48 - \$1,750



Reagan Mulvey
Facade
Acrylic, acrylic latex caulk, sand & crayon on canvas
20x20 - \$450



Michael Olive
Past Arches
Charcoal on paper
33x27 - \$225



Michael Olive
Picnic Table
Charcoal on paper
33x27 - \$225



Adam Stoner
The Oracle
Oil on canvas
36x40 - \$3,000



Adam Stoner
Plaza With Red Bridge
Oil on birch panel
18x24 - \$2,200



Chelsea Wait
Scales of Care
Watercolor, collage, drawing
9x42 - \$660