Artist Book News

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Hit The Road!

Highway 99 runs all the way from Canada to Mexico. Replaced by Interstate 5 in the mid-1960s, Highway 99 still beckons with neon signs, shaped buildings, gentle giants and other roadside attractions that take us back to simpler times and happy road trips. *Hit the Road!* is volume one in a series, featuring the state of Washington's historic roadside attractions. The 19 attractions featured are displayed in geographically correct order from North to South in a single layer flag book with wrap around cover and clamshell box. Accompanied by a map spotlighting each location. 9" x 5.75" Edition of 25, \$350.

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Behold!

A Dragon, jealous of the lively laughter of the Citizens, has stolen the Sun! The lives of the Citizens and the Pages of the Book are cast into Darkness! Before the Sun will be returned, the Dragon demands the answer to a riddle – an answer which is meant to crush the laughter from the Citizen's lungs. Will the Citizens still be able to laugh despite the malicious Dragon? Is their laughter dependent on the Sun? Will their lives be forever changed? These answers and more lie betwixt the covers of *The Laughing and the Sun*.

Letter pressed in Caslon and various lead type with original relief prints by Caroline Garcia and text by Scott Ziegler, featuring a clever juxtaposition of white & black Arches Cover paper paired with inked and blind debossed text for an intimate reading experience. 11" x 15". Edition of 15, \$450.

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Meditations on a Dirty War

Spanish for "Flights," *Vueles* is a crossroads of narratives. The first focuses on the migration of the endangered Red Knot, whose non-stop flight takes it between where I live in the Delaware Bay Area and where my family lives in Argentina. The second story focuses on Argentina's Dirty War and the genocide that was organized by the military regime at that time. At the crossroads of these two stories is where I stand. *Vueles* was printed with screen prints, stone lithographs, and letterpress, on handmade paper made from the clothing of my



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The Shore

Rare! The very first edition book made by Mystical Places Press. A little book of photos of the things found at the beach, such as, shells, seaweed and jelly fish, with a real sample of wheat grass, and with a real sea shell imbedded in the cover. 2.37" x 3", 28 pages, clamshell case. Edition of 25, \$225.



Dear Dairy

Bessie is very opinionated. She shares her very private diary from down on the dairy providing insights on dating, politics and life in general from her side of the pasture. If you love puns, word play and have a naughty sense of humor then Bessie's your gal.

Seventeen bucolic photographs depicting Bessie's favorite places from around the farm are featured throughout the book and were taken by her translator and confidante, Debra Fink Bachelder. *Dear Dairy* has 56 pages comprised of seven, eight page hand cut and sewn signatures with, at Bessie's insistence, a couple of interactive surprises. Printed using archival inks on heavy digital paper. Edition of 20, \$115 each.

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Wilderness Wonder

A photo album with miniature photos, a couple of foldout pages, and an occasional page of words about a day hike through a pristine wilderness. $2.5^{\circ} \times 3^{\circ}$, 44 pages, with case. Edition of 35, \$150.



Calico Ghosts

This rare handmade book depicts the everyday life in the silver mining town of Calico (California). The historic images of people were printed on overlays of the images of the town photographed in 1973, when the town was in a state of arrested decay. There are fold-outs, interesting details, introduction, and a colophon. Printing is Giclée, 5.5" x 7.75", 84 pages, with clamshell case. Edition of 35, \$385.

Hanging Books: Tiger Lily and Shooting Stars

The hanging books are a miniature book set containing *Tiger Lily* and *Shooting Stars*, original serigraphs of wild mountain flowers, uniquely constructed to unfold, suitable for hanging.

Each book is bound with a color coordinated cloth cover and

the set comes in a slip case, Case is 2.25" x 2.87" x 1.3". Edition of 22, \$295.





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