

Our Delicate Ecosystems

Artist Statement: Melinda / Joseph Ostraff / Legacy Building (a) & (b)

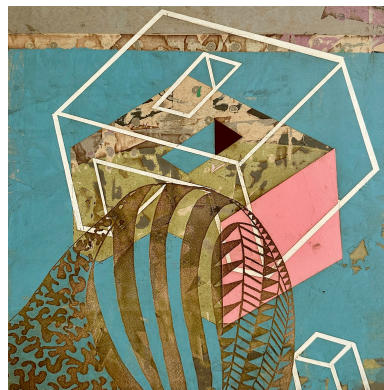
Our work is the result of a collaboration between art and science, bringing together backgrounds in human geography, environmental science, and painting. It emerges from conversations, fieldwork, and a shared studio practice.

These paintings are built layer by layer, blending symbols of human endeavor with patterns drawn from nature. This process reflects our ongoing exploration of the fragile balance between human nature and the broader natural world.

We are interested in the ways people try to leave a mark—through legacy, memory, and story—and how those efforts interact with the complex systems of nature. In the space between human intention and ecological reality, we search for patterns, tensions, and moments of connection.



Legacy Building A



Legacy Building B