

Todd West

An Arizona native, who grew up in the Phoenix area and still currently resides there. Developed an interest for art at an early age and honed his skills in college in Arizona . He later furthered his education at graduate school in San Francisco.

Artist Statement

“The processes I go through in the construction of a painting can be characterized as a search, both conceptually and in practice. Painting to me is a search which uses personal myths and metaphors as the catalyst for the work and also as the point of departure.

My paintings begin with an idea, never concrete or fully resolved. Through the process of painting and an almost archeological act of discovery, the idea evolves along with the painting. I fluctuate between the construction and destruction of imagery. The choice of the marks and the chance of the marks created by the manipulation of the paint both serve to develop the imagery. How much conscious control I take and how much unconscious chaos I allow through the act of painting all coalesce into the finished result.”

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