

# The Art Department

*Artists in the borderlands of the art world and K-12 art education*

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**Opening Reception:** Saturday, August 5th at Var Gallery 2nd Street

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*Frank Juarez, Doubt, oil on canvas, 36 x 36 in.*

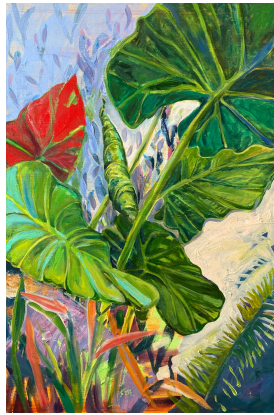
Var Gallery is pleased to announce "The Art Department", a group exhibition featuring work from artists who live in the borderlands of the art world and K-12 art education at Var's 2nd Street location.

**Exhibiting artists include:** Paula Bausch, Chris Behrs, Jeanne Bjork, Jeanne Brill, Deborah Brooks, Judy Grochowski, Frank Juarez, Pamela Merkel, Allison Olsen, Leah Robertson, Tanner Teipel, and Jason Van Roo.

The breadth of work ranges from traditional to experiential, exposing influences from inner and outer worlds. It reflects how these artist-educators translate concepts, processes and aesthetics from the past and present into the future by conveying them from their experienced eyes to novel ones. Stepping into this exhibit immerses the viewer in an environment curated daily that enables everyone to engage in the power of images, stories, symbols, objects and spaces that enshrine time and culture. These works grasp all nuances and vagaries found in the minds and practices that tend fertile ground for creative work on its own terms, while living the wonderment that allows young artists to see beyond current horizons.

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**Opening Reception:** Saturday, August 5th, 6 to 9 PM  
**On View:** August 5 - September 24, 2023  
**Var Gallery 2nd Street**  
**643 S. 2nd Street**



Left Image: Deborah Brooks, *Stoplight*, oil on canvas, 24 x 36 in.  
Right Image: Allison Olson, *Certified Chicken Shit*, ceramic clay and glaze, 5 x 5 x 12 in.

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**Rescheduled date! Join us tomorrow...**



[Into the Universe: Artist Talk with Nykoli Koslow](#)

Saturday, July 29 // 3 - 4:30 PM

Var on 2nd

One more time >>

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