

Sydell Glasser & Laura Murray

Sydell Glasser, Teacher

Work brings a new view of the world. Highway overpasses become dry brush strokes, liquid washes form dripping low-lights on a figure, and a shadow becomes a collage piece between a horse and his barn. The story of a place or figure hides beyond its face value; it is here that we can find beauty, be it profound or simple.

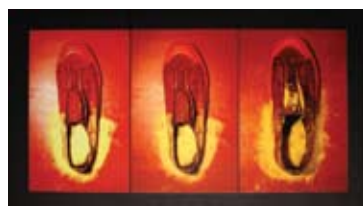
The progression from a blank page to image is where I find the meaning behind my work. It is an attempt to express life, to give a platform to neglected ideas, and to help satisfy a mind on overdrive. The hope is to have viewers question, explore, and find their own personal and unique meaning behind the work.



Sydell Glasser has exhibited her work and has been a part of several group shows all over Manhattan and Brooklyn. She currently teaches at Floral Park Memorial High School in Floral Park, New York. www.sydellglasser.com

Laura Murray, Student

By looking at everyday objects from a different perspective, we can create fantasies that exist within our reality. Digital media allow me to add my own filter onto real situations. Adding contrast, combining photos, and distorting or saturating color allows me to change mundane scenarios into unusual, extraordinary images. I want to inspire people, entice their curiosity, and spark their imaginations. Most importantly, I want to create images that force us to take a closer look at the things that we may ordinarily pass by without giving a second thought.



Laura Murray is a student at Floral Park Memorial High School in Floral Park, New York.



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