

## Artist Statement:

Erica Quihuiz
I use process as an exercise in tranquility, humor as an exercise in empathy, and risk as an exercise in transformation. I embrace contemporary forms of print media as an effective form of self-expression, and also hold a deep respect for the rich historical tradition of printmaking as a trade and a craft. I encourage shifts in technology as an allegory to examine our ever-fluctuating environment alongside what it means to be a female. I am inspired by contemporary feminist writings and specifically respond directly to the ever-present tendrils of the Chthulucene. As an antidote to pure cynicism, I like to play with unconventional materials such as pigments extracted from tea or fresh fruits and imagine that I am resourcefully gathering vital supplies in preparation for a meaningful psychological battle against an ominous ecological future.

Figure 1: Shell on Acid
Figure 2: Intaglio with Chine-Collé
Figure 3: Intaglio mini plate series \#4
Figure 4: Chthulu Scene
Figure 5: Intaglio mini plate series \#6
Figure 6: Knots
Figure 7: 3rd Quarter Moon
Figure 8: Window

Figure 9: Dark Matter
Figure 10: The Dancer

Cyanotype, 40 in $\times 24$ in
Intaglio with Chine-Collé, 5 in $\times 7$ in
Intaglio, 2 in $\times 2$ in
Intaglio, 20 in $\times 13$ in
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Lithograph on wood grain relief, 13 in $x 13$ in
Viscosity print on cyanotype, 30 in $\times 20$ in
Intaglio and lithograph with embroidery and tea dyed rag paper, 9 in $\times 15$ in

Lithograph on cyanotype, 22 in $\times 36$ in
Intaglio, 2.5 in x 4 in


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