

This current body of work began with a desire to peel back and look behind—to understand the materials that construct both physical spaces and the conceptual space of, for instance, the gallery. I started cutting into my paintings to reveal the wall behind. Then the wall itself became the medium.

As my understanding of the forces of disinvestment and planned neglect in Baltimore City grew, the vacant row house became an unignorable symbol and eventually site of intervention. Entering an empty building, I would remove a slab of drywall to my studio, etch an image of the facade into the gypsum, and eventually return it. This obviously futile act of repair was a vehicle to understand the condition Baltimore was in, and that I was in.

Last year, in what began as a pessimistic retreat from my socially oriented projects, I returned to my studio and to these pieces. Almost 15 years later, I am less interested in the self-reflexive gesture of my original process—the art as an artifact of the building. I've started to depict not only the building itself but the structures people have added to reinforce or reconstruct it: scaffolding, bracing, underpinning. These sincere, often failed, acts of repair or simple attention are evidence of a negotiated but enduring utopianism.

Nicholas Wisniewski, 2024



Collective Portrait: 2301 Hoffman Street, Broadway East, 2025
Salvaged drywall carving
Unframed: 8-½ x 13-5/8 x 1 in.
\$4,600.00



Spiral Forms, 1507 E. North Ave, Oliver, 2025 Salvaged drywall carving Unframed: 27 x 23-3/4 x 1 in. \$3,400.00



300k Becoming: 1000 E. 20th Street, Midway, 2025 Salvaged drywall carving Unframed: 9-½ x 12-½ x 1-½ in. Artist Framed: 17-½ x 14 in.

\$2,900.00



First Impressions: 2024 E. North Ave, Clifton Park 2025 Salvaged drywall carving Unframed: 27 x 23 x 1 in. \$2,900.00



MNC: E. North Ave, Midway 2025
Salvaged drywall carving
Unframed: 15-½ x 28 x 1 in.
Artist Frame: 20-½ x 33 in.

\$4,900.00



Two Much Fun: Robb Street, Midway 2025

Salvaged drywall carving Unframed: 23 x 17 x 1 in. Artist Frame: 28 x 22 in.

\$4,100.00



Duncan Street Garden: 2109 E. North Ave., Clifton Park, 2025

Salvaged drywall carving Unframed: 21-3/4 x 15-1/4 x 1 in. Artist Frame: 28-3/4 x 22-1/4 in.

\$3,100.00



Eminent Domain: Middle East Baltimore, 2025

Salvaged drywall carving Unframed: $18-\frac{1}{2} \times 9-\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$ in. Artist Frame: $23-\frac{1}{2} \times 14-\frac{1}{2}$ in.

\$4,300.00



Good Try: Barclay & Lanvale Street, 2024

Salvaged drywall carving Unframed: 28 x 10 x 2 in. Artist Frame: 35-1/4 x 17-1/4 in.

\$4,600.00



Impact Investment Zone: Chapel Street / Kennedy Street, Midway, 2024

Salvaged drywall craving Unframed: 33-1/4 x 54-1/2 x 3in. Artist Frame: 36-1/4 x 57-1/2 in. \$5,000.00



Clark: Missing Address, Reservoir Hill, 2019

Salvaged drywall carving Unframed: 24-1/8 x 28 x 3/4 in. Artist Frame: 27-3/8 x 31-1/4 in.

\$5,000.00



Which Decline: Baltimore, 2019
Intaglio on Paper
Unframed: 6 x 7-½ in.
Artist Frame: 8 x 9-½ in.
\$800.00 Artist frame
\$600.00 unframed
Edition of 10



Parge: Baltimore, 2019
Intaglio on Paper
Unframed: 6 x 7-½ in.
Artist Frame: 8 x 9-½ in.
\$800.00 Artist frame
\$600.00 unframed
Edition of 10



Corner: Baltimore, 2019
Intaglio on Paper
Unframed: 6 x 7-½ in.
Artist Frame: 8 x 9-½ in.
\$800.00 Artist frame
\$600.00 unframed
Edition of 10



Squat: Baltimore, 2019
Intaglio on Paper
Unframed: 6 x 7-½ in.
Artist Frame: 8 x 9-½ in.
\$800.00 Artist frame
\$600.00 unframed
Edition of 10



No Trust: Baltimore, 2019
Intaglio on Paper
Unframed: 6 x 7-½ in.
Artist Frame: 8 x 9-½ in.
\$800.00 Artist frame
\$600.00 unframed
Edition of 10



Work-around: Baltimore, 2019
Intaglio on Paper
Unframed: 6 x 7-½ in.
Artist Frame: 8 x 9-½ in.
\$800.00 Artist frame
\$600.00 unframed
Edition of 10



180 : Baltimore, 2019
Intaglio on Paper
Unframed: 8 x 11-½ in.
Artist Frame: 10-½ x 14 in.
\$1,000.00. Artist framed
\$800.00. Unframed
Edition of 10



Dent 1, Baltimore, 2019
Intaglio on Paper
Unframed: 6 x 7-½ in.
Frame: 8 x 9-½ in.
\$800.00 Artist frame
\$600.00 unframed
Edition of 10