

Artist Manifesto for Megan Flød Johnson.

*I am a story-teller in space. I rely on a collaborative process designed to nurture and re-imagine stories resulting in a kinesthetically-charged, immersive sensory journey. I work to provoke and stir one's founded sensibilities. By engaging the senses, I work to redefine the traditional art experience so by challenging the passive viewer to action.*

*I work in partnership with other people. Whether young children or older adults, I enter collaborative creation with energy and a willingness to share creative space. I work to ensure openness and comfortability for every participant, so our ideas can meet in a dialogical throw-down.*

*I use art to empower dreams and ideas of those who are not always heard. As a facilitator, I work to build confidence and skill with co-creators to find their own story and express it. It is my mission to design unique engagements that invite others to live within the stories and engage in dialogue.*

*I envision performative meaning in seemingly everyday happenings. I look to the wisdom of the natural world to better understand connections between all things. Stories come from single moments in time reflecting its ritual, symbols, sounds and visual representation. A moment becomes a vessel of meaning through which a story begins to flow. Storytelling exists in tiny, fractured bits or long linear brushstrokes.*

*I experience the world with my eyes. Though I try to honor the entire sensory experience in my work, it begins and ends from a visual perspective. Bold aesthetics guide my practice and inspire the need to connect with and nurture the aesthetic development of others.*