

Artist Statement

My art uses contemporary forms and symbols to dramatize today's ideals of democracy and personal identity. I use figures derived from the stereotypical male and female icons recognized throughout the world. My reinvention of these figures simultaneously portrays our equality and our singularity. It also speaks to the tension that exists between our want to express and uphold our individuality and the desire to belong to a community or group. In short; my figures and my art symbolize what we yearn for; a society that serves our democratic principles and nourishes our individuality. By placing my art in public places, visual comparisons will be made between my sculptures and the people with whom we meet each day. This interaction with passing individuals is to remind them of their own identity in a community rich in diversity.

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