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★ Artist Statement: Drawings ★

In each of these drawings, graphite, watercolor, tape, glue, acrylic paint, and miscellaneous materials have been used to create compositions comprised of objects floating in space. The objects in these compositions collide, obscuring one another, countering each other, and combining to create negative space. Existing both separately and together, these objects build up like sediment to make various layers, with the older layers showing through the newer layers.

With these drawings, I wanted to explore compositions that have great amounts of detail and complex textures occurring in relatively small spaces. I wanted areas of the compositions to have the look of virtuosity while other areas were kept raw and spontaneous to create a feeling of order existing amongst chaos and disorder.

Drawing is often a way for me to generate ideas for my paintings and 3-d works; these drawings have served as kind of white boards where I could draw up plans for future projects and quickly add and remove elements and take risks to attempt to see what works.