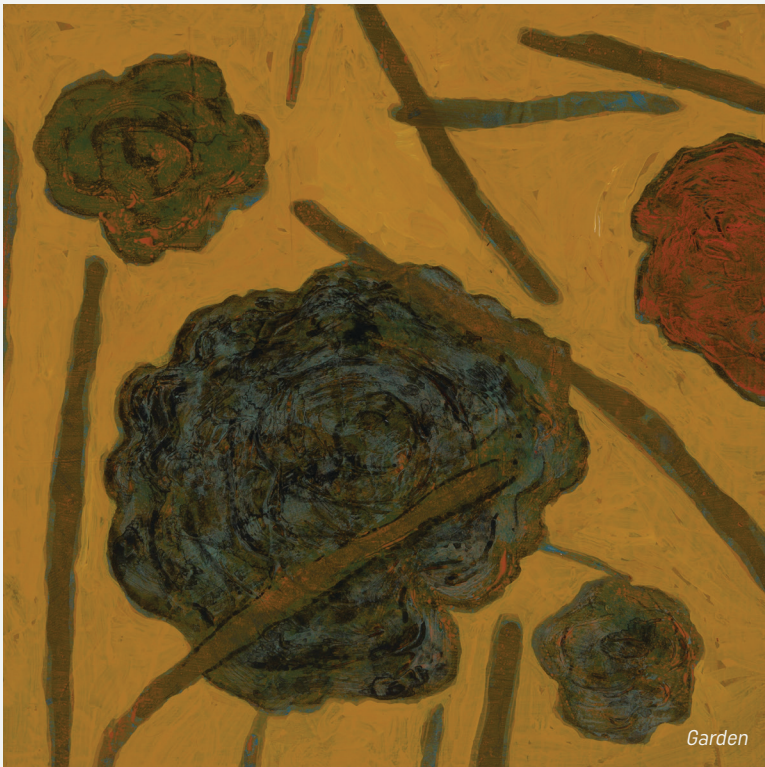




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UNBOUND BOTANICALS

mixed media works by
PAULA OWEN



Garden

EXHIBITION DATES
MAY 4 - JUNE 26, 2022

OPENING RECEPTION
SAT 5/7 | 12-4 PM



Forest

The Unbound Botanicals series germinated during the pandemic shutdown. In the absence of regular social interaction, time and solitude were fertile ground for each piece to begin with an intentional, personal challenge to respond—to a surface, shape, tool, observation, or memory that sat at the back of my mind. Committed to allowing each piece to evolve incrementally over time, often starting over completely, they became discoveries.

The "unboundness" of these works does not refer to anything radical, but to the imagined—quite the opposite of how traditional botanical drawings and paintings are created. Uninterested in representation, I convey some otherwise unexpressed quality of these familiar references in the natural world.

Paula Owen has been President of Southwest School of Art in San Antonio since 1996, following 11 years as the Director of the Visual Arts Center in Richmond, VA. Owen holds the MS degree in art education from Minnesota State University and the MFA in painting and printmaking from Virginia Commonwealth University. Her work is held in numerous private and public collections.