

# Salac-Ashforth, Barrett and Royalty

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## Deborah Salac-Ashforth

Deborah Salac-Ashforth received a Master of Fine Arts degree from Concordia University in Montreal, Canada. She is a member of the Arizona Commission on the Arts Artist Roster and lives in Arizona. She has exhibited in numerous solo and group shows worldwide and has been the recipient of a number of awards and scholarships. Salac-Ashforth works primarily with cloth and clothing. Her work explores the use of clothing as a site of negotiation between the public and private self, as a signifier of ascribed and claimed identities. Although she is often distracted.



## Kelly Barrett

Kelly Barrett describes her work as “an act of excavation, in search of a self, long ago buried and bound in a tightly wound cocoon of foreign ideals and expectations.

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bright core of failure ©2003  
3' x 4' oil and collage on canvas

“The creative process is the tool I use to unravel the fibers and filaments and expose the original fabric of my spirit. I incorporate a variety of textures, objects, and imagery that portray an unconscious and intuitive world encased in layers of encaustic paint medium on wood panels. As a mixed media artist, I am not wed to any one medium or technique, but instead use a wide array to communicate. I’m attracted to very tactile materials such as plaster, wax, organic elements and industrial objects. I combine these to create a narrative using techniques from various disciplines including photography, painting, digital media, sculpture, and performance art,” she said.

## B Royalty

B. Royalty has gained national recognition through her award-winning commissioned portraits of dogs, capturing the personalities of a number of our most beloved and colorful breeds with extraordinary sensitivity. Besides dogs, Royalty also paints cats, birds and elephants, as well as human characters, both children and adults, in a variety of domestic and allegorical situations. Royalty is a resident of Tempe and has been painting and expressing herself through art for more than 15 years. She is a graduate of the Arizona State University School of Art and the recipient of many national and regional fine art and design awards. Her paintings have been exhibited in galleries across the United States