

## Artist Biography

### Young Shin

Born in Seoul, South Korea, and raised in Los Angeles, California, Young spent much of her youth surrounded by art, culture and beauty, spending hours at end drawing and painting. Young received a B.A. in Philosophy and a minor in Studio/Visual Arts focusing on oil painting. She continued to follow her love of art and design by receiving her degree in Fashion Design from Parsons School of Design and working as a fashion designer in NYC and Chicago.

In her body of work, melding her past experiences and passion together, Young creates abstract paintings using paper – combining elements from art, design, and craft. Technique and process are key as she unearths the essence of a particular theme, an emotion or an idea by peeling away colored paper that was first meticulously built up, applied, layered, and dried. As an artist, Young explores the concept of excavation and unearthing. In particular, she is inspired by the process of peeling and removing intricate layers in order to reveal what is underneath and between. She compares this process of unearthing very much akin to our lives, experiences, emotions, and most importantly, us at our core, as we are composites of different and complicated layers and that the truth is often hidden behind. Through the use of color and texture, she shines light on the beauty, the complexity, and depth that lie above and beneath. Young resides in the San Francisco Bay Area where she works as a full-time painter.