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### **The Art Base presents: *Art in Process* with Reina Katzenberger**

January 11 – February 4, 2022

Reina Katzenberger onsite, making artwork 1-5pm Tuesday-Saturday

Gallery Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 11am-5pm

Closing Reception: Friday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 5-7pm

The Art Base is proud to present an inaugural artist “gallery take-over” featuring mixed-media printmaker Reina Katzenberger. In lieu of a traditional exhibition, this unique format is a three-week artmaking experience in the main exhibition space. Katzenberger states that this is “...a celebration of the inextricable connection between all things including between creativity and experience.”

Katzenberger will be onsite with her mobile printmaking equipment for a live studio presence in the Art Base Exhibition Space at 174 Midland Avenue in historic Basalt. This active artist studio is a window into the process of creating art as conversation and creative problem solving in real-time. Throughout the installation, Katzenberger will engage in conversation and collaboration with the public as well as invited thinkers, artists, and scientists. Works generated during this active and immersive installation will be for sale at the Closing Party on February 4<sup>th</sup>. Limited edition prints will be informed responses to the specific interactions, life-events and circumstances of the three week exercise of a live studio installation.

This residency-based studio will produce work that is completely unique to the location and experience of being at the Art Base and among the community.

Art Base curator, Lissa Ballinger comments, “This is an exciting departure from our traditional exhibition schedule. This project connects directly to our mission of fusing education and exhibitions. This is an opportunity for our community to view artmaking as it happens, in real time with an extraordinary artist and friend.”

Born in the Roaring Fork Valley, Katzenberger was raised with the belief that to learn and know something it is best done by doing, holding, breaking and pulling a thing apart, before putting it back together and creating with it. This learn-by-doing philosophy continued as she completed

her university studies in 2002 at CU Boulder with an interdisciplinary focus in humanities. After living and doing design work in LA and NYC for 4 years she returned to the Aspen area where she lives and continues doing graphic work at max.ink creative agency.

In 2014, Katzenberger opened The Project Shop ~ a creative space specializing in providing hands-on opportunities for artists and creatives interested in exploring mixed media applications of traditional print methods such as letterpress, relief and screen printing.

**The Art Base is a nonprofit community arts center located in Basalt, Colorado. Through education, exhibitions, and events they foster creative expression in the visual arts for all ages and abilities. Education programs are designed to be accessible to everyone and encourage creative expression and lifelong learning through arts workshops and outreach programs in partnership with local nonprofits and Basalt schools. Exhibitions focus on opportunities for solo, group, and guest-curated exhibitions for Colorado-based artists, with an emphasis on those living in the Roaring Fork Valley.**

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