

## Artist Statement

Pattie Chalmers is a ceramicist who creates narrative tableaus, objects and vessels using the images culled from childhood tales, four-for-a-dollar comic books, movies-of-the-week, and personal experience. Her work is a collage of these influences in combination with historical and fanciful elements that reveal her observations about identity, ideologies and our humanity.

Even though she primarily works within the realm of figurative ceramic sculpture, Pattie also engages in a variety of other approaches, resulting in the appearance of a somewhat frenetic studio practice. Narrative is the linchpin. Pattie is inherently an explainer and a storyteller and through her work attempts to map her experiences to give better understanding to others and herself.