The exhibition brings together performances, installations, video, photography, graphic design, and mail-based projects all created by Susan Silton. The exhibition asks how art can create a voice, challenge systems of power, preserve memory, and help us imagine a more equitable world.

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LOOK AROUND TO DISCOVER THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN THE ARTWORKS

Find a large steel ball suspended from the ceiling. Write the sentences you see on the sculpture.

What materials did the artist use to create this artwork?

What do you think the texture feels like?

What story do you think this large sculpture could be showing?

ART VOCABULARY

Contemporary Art: *Art that is made in current times; it usually refers to artwork by living artists.*

Installation Art: *A large-scale, usually three-dimensional, mixed-media artwork, often designed for a specific place for a temporary period of time. Installation artwork can include various materials.*

Line: *A continuous mark with length and direction; the distance between two points. Lines can be straight or curved.*

Primary Colors: *Blue, red, and yellow are primary colors. When combined they create secondary colors: purple, green, and orange. Blue + red = purple. Blue + yellow = green. Yellow + red = orange.*

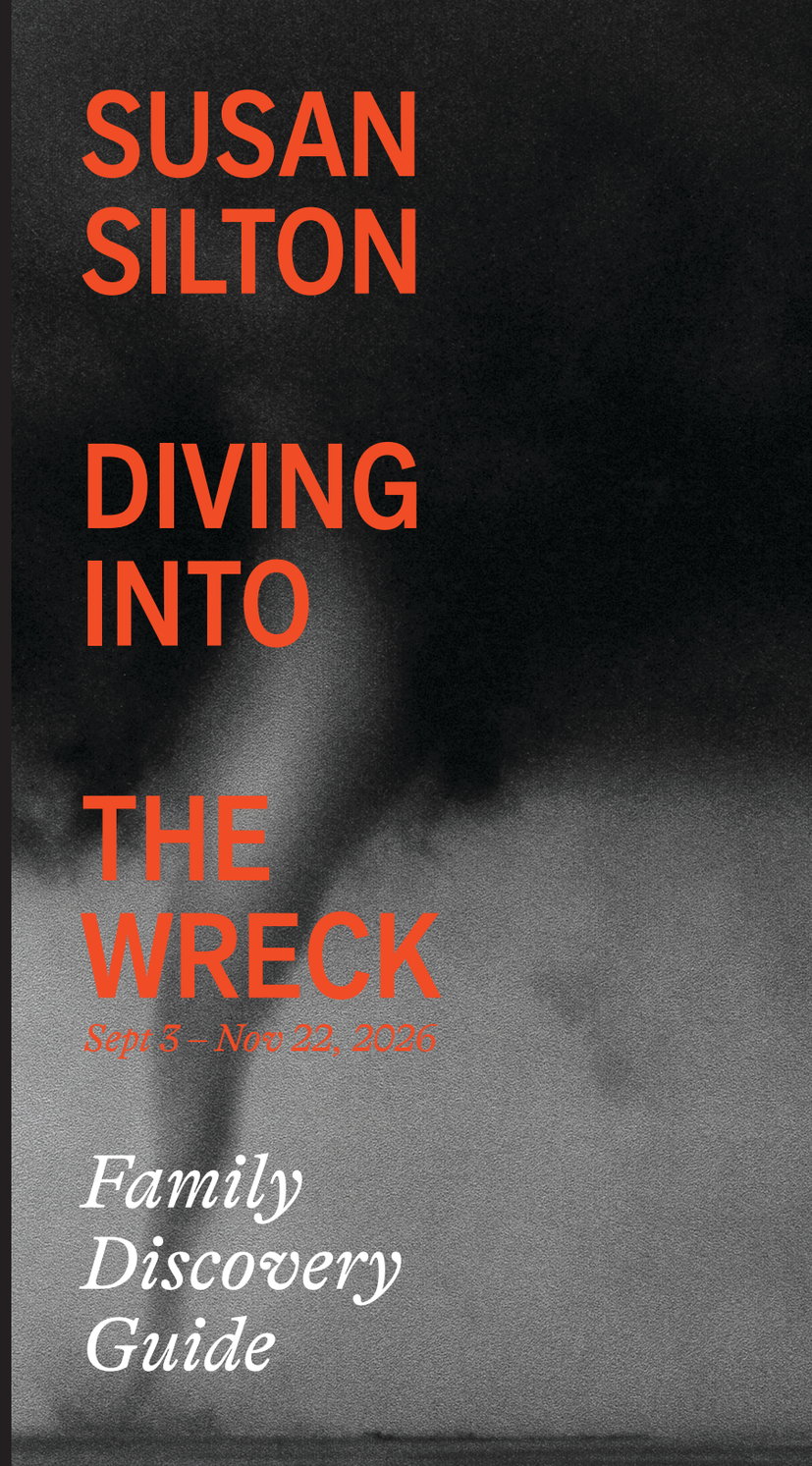
Portrait: *A representation of a person, such as their face and/or body.*

Sculpture: *Three-dimensional art made by carving, modelling, casting or constructing.*

Site-specific: *An installation artwork designed and constructed especially for a certain space or location.*

Three-dimensional 3-D: *Having height, width, and depth, such as a sculpture or installation.*

Two-dimensional 2-D: *Having height and width on a flat plane. Example: a drawing, painting or photograph.*



SUSAN SILTON

DIVING INTO THE WRECK

Sept 3 – Nov 22, 2026

Family Discovery Guide

An installation with metal typewriters and paper on tables in front of a blue wall. How many typewriters are on the tables?

One alarm clock on a shelf. What time does this clock show?

A two-dimensional artwork decal on the wall with stripes in many colors with hidden words.

Write the colors and text you see in the image

How many striped costumes can you find?

Four abstract blurry color photographs. What do you think these could be showing and why do you think they are blurred?

Find an artwork smaller than you - what materials did the artist use?

What types of lines, colors, patterns, shapes and materials did you discover in this exhibit?

CIRCLE THE WORDS WHEN YOU FIND THESE ELEMENTS IN THE ARTWORKS

SHAPES

Circles *Squares* *Rectangles* *Organic/Free-form*

COLORS

Bright *Dark* *Multicolored* *Shiny* *Metallic*

LINES

Curvy *Straight* *Wavy* *Thick/Heavy*
Thin/Narrow *Delicate*
Horizontal *Vertical* *Diagonal*

MATERIALS

Metal *Aluminum* *Bronze* *Glass*
Fabric *Paint* *Stoneware (clay)*

SIZE AND SCALE

Large *Small* *Three-dimensional (3-D)*

TEXTURES

Smooth *Rough* *Sharp* *Bumpy*

♥ YOUR FAVORITE ARTWORK(S)

Write the title of your favorite artwork in the exhibit:

Why do you like this artwork?

If you created an artwork about your life, what colors, shapes and materials would you use?

What would you call the artwork about your life and what would you want the artwork to express?

Using a pencil, create a small drawing of your favorite artwork here: