PATRICIA BOINEST POTTER was born in Charleston, SC and currently resides in Anniston, Alabama. She completed her Bachelor’s degree at the Savannah College of Art and Design and received a Master’s degree in Architecture from the University of Art and Design, Helsinki, Finland. Potter has been a Visiting Professor of Architecture at Auburn University, Iowa State University, and Jacksonville State University. Her works have been included in numerous solo and group exhibitions around the world, including Paris, France; Richmond, Virginia; Santa Fe, New Mexico; Newton, Massachusetts; and New Orleans, Louisiana, to name a few.

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January 24 – March 7, 2015
Patricia Boinest Potter creates enigmatic artworks in the form of three-dimensional maps that she refers to as Isomorphic Map Tables and 1:1 Map Insets. Ostensibly representing a one-hundred-mile stretch of northern Alabama, these works also expand outward to the cosmos, then inward again into the dark energy of particle physics. The series of six Map Tables and one hundred 1:1 Map insets is called Patterns of Place, and offers a tantalizing mix of technical experimentation, metaphoric expansiveness, and curiosity in every square inch.

Potter’s formal language is largely abstract, yet the resulting imagery defies categorization into any existing canon of art history. Joseph Cornell’s precious boxes offer the closest shorthand comparison, but the Isomorphic Map Tables and 1:1 Map Insets contains seeds for different ways of knowing—new systems for apprehending the world. At once philosophical and scientific, Potter’s art provides viewers with a new set of lenses through which to see, grasp, and, ultimately, comprehend.

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