Press Release Auburn: Vault Gallery *Tentative* by Amanda Jenkinson

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The City of Auburn and the Auburn Arts Commission are pleased to present *Tentative* by Amanda Jenkinson at the Postmark Center for the Arts Vault Gallery, on view January 15th – April 6th, 2025.

Artwork Statement:

"I am 26 years old at the time of creation and exhibition of this piece, Tentative. The inspiration for this soft sculpture is quite personal. Its concept had been floating in my mind for many months, and foundationally coincided with an emotional journey involving my relationship with the potentiality of motherhood. My age is important here, as I have been firmly placed between two immediate, diverging paths.

Choosing whether I should or should not have kids has been existentially confounding to me. I have many desires that lie in each direction, and many fears, and many mixed emotions. Creating this soft sculpture from start to finish over the course of this internal discourse was a meditative exercise.

Embedded in the hand-sewn patches of this piece are pomelo membranes. These skins are representative of the body, of a tree bearing fruit, and of a fruit bearing seeds. Sewn in as quilt patches on a patterned skin, this amorphous sculptural form alludes to my nebulous thoughts on the topic of motherhood."

Amanda Jenkinson



"Tentative," Amanda Jenkinson, 2025

The Vault Gallery, The Postmark Center for the Arts, 20 Auburn Ave, Auburn, WA 98001 The gallery is viewable Wed 12-4, Thur 12-6, and Fri 12-4.

This art installation is coordinated through the City of Auburn, Parks, Arts & Recreation Department and with the support of the Auburn Arts Commission.

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