

Biography

Helene (Enee) Petermann Abelman was born in New York in 1956. She moved to Florida shortly after the death of her father. She attended local schools and received a Masters Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling in 1982. At this time her medium was photography and she produced Beautiful People which was used by Pinellas Association for Retarded Children as a marketing tool for several years. After marrying and having three children, she returned to the University of South Florida for a Masters Degree in Fine Arts. Since 2012 she has been studying under Dr. Clarissa Pinkola Estes at the Archetypal and Cross-Cultural Studies Institute. Although photography informs most of her work, she uses what ever medium necessary to reveal her content. She considers herself a domestic documenter, orchestrating objects that reference the seemingly predictable life of mother and wife. Her work is born of a gathering of multiple life giving elements: physical, mental and spiritual with the intention of re-creating the family album.