Heather Rae Beauchesne

Artist Statement

In May 2002, I consciously started to use pink in all of my work. In September 2002, I started a daily meal plan that went like this:

Breakfast: Tomatoes, pate and mayo on a bagel, a banana, and a coffee. Lunch: Tomatoes, pate and mayo on a bagel, a banana, and a coffee. Supper: Tomatoes, pate and mayo on a bagel, a banana, and a coffee.

From September 2002 to May 2003, I had a weekly schedule, Monday to Friday:

6:30am - 8:30am: Breakfast, shower, and dress. (In perfected time slots)

9am - 5pm: Work. (Same route to and from work)

5:40 - 6:30pm: Run. (Same Meewasin route)

7:00 - 7:30pm: Supper.

[From December 2002 to March 2003, the 5:40 - 6:30pm slot was moved to the YWCA] In April 2003, I made myself a *days of the week* uniform. One dress duplicated in white (Monday), mint green (Tuesday), mauve (Wednesday), baby blue (Thursday), navy (Friday), baby pink (Saturday), and baby yellow (Sunday). Unfortunately, the uniform was revamped three times, each style lasting only one month before boredom set in. So, I fried my 'fro to white; gathered seven shades of green, tulle skirts; seven sets of fantabulous heels, clutches, and finger-cropped gloves; seven fantastic, pink birds; seven, two meter-long, pink sashes; seven, plush pink, green and blue, junior girls, p.j. tops; and a nickname like *Fella*.

Seven easy steps to a homemade icon.

P.S. Saturday had to stay pink.

Biographical Info.

Heather Rae Beauchesne, grew up in rural Spiritwood, Saskatchewan. She began her BFA degree in 1997, at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Sk. In 2000-2001, Heather continued her BFA at Curtain University, Perth, and Western Australia. Returning in 2001 to the University of Saskatchewan, Heather convocated, and presented her BFA show in the Spring of 2002, where she received an award for highest graduate in Art and Art History, and Distinguished Exhibition, Spring 2002. Since her convocation, Heather has resided in Saskatoon, where she proceeds with her art practice, and is self-employed in women's clothing design, and manufacturing.