ARTIST STATEMENT WORKSHEET

1. Describe your work in single words or phrases

Try to come up with one sentence that effectively describes your thoughts above. Think of this sentence for someone who knows nothing about art and has not seen your work before.

2. Using single words or phrases, address your themes, content, subject matter, style, inspiration, insights:

Organize these words/phrases into one or two sentences that explain what you do and why you do it.

3. Using single words or phrases, address processes, materials, surface, color:

Organize these words/phrases into one to three sentences that relate technique and style to your medium and vision.

Example questions to ask yourself:
What media do I work in and why am I attracted to this media?
What processes do I use? Is there anything especially significant about the process?
Describe the formal qualities.
Is textural surface important?
Is my work narrative?
What is the content?
What inspires me to create art?
What am I trying to communicate?
What materials or images do I use to communicate these ideas?
Do I use themes, materials or images in a metaphorical way?
What is important about my work?
Why am I passionate about making it?
Does emotional, social or political content play a part into my work?
Is there something people don't understand about my work that I want to address?
How do I want my viewer to react?
How does my work fit into current contemporary art?

Briefly describe your work (media, dimensions, etc…) and it's content:

Where do you get inspiration for your artwork?

Describe your creative process (how do you translate your ideas, intellectual approach or intuitive, etc…)

Briefly explain your artistic philosophy (a general idea about art making and/or more specific to your art)

What other artists do you admire?

What inspires you about their work?

Does your art have a geographical influence, (i.e. landscape, urban, rural)? Explain.

Do you think your art would appeal to the general public or to a more "art educated" audience? Explain.