

# FRAGILITY

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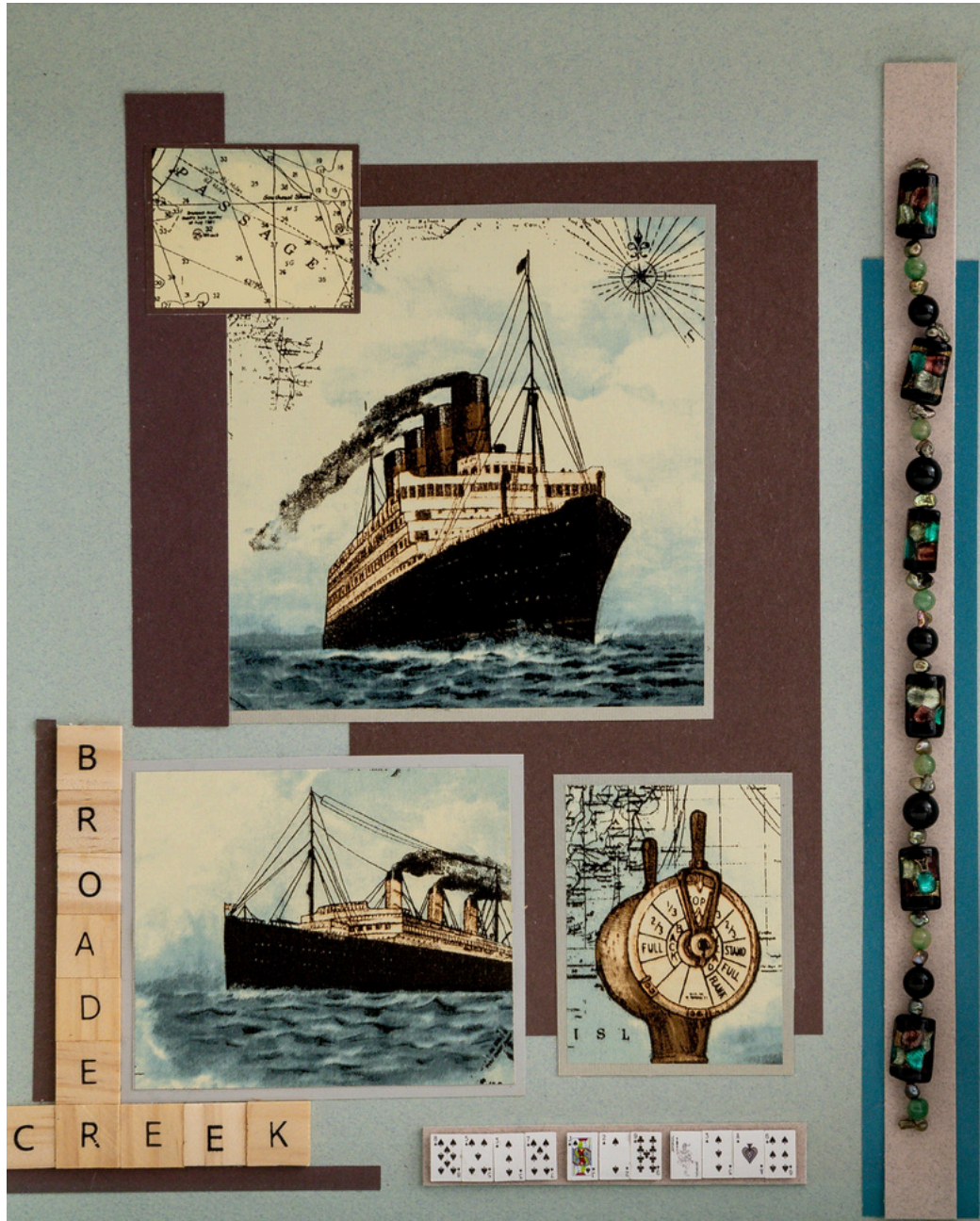


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## FRAGILITY

a solo exhibition by

## VIVIAN CAVALIERI

### EXHIBITION SYNOPSIS

Vivian Cavalieri's mixed media assemblages urge viewers to reflect on the fragility of human rights and the vulnerability of the environment. In so doing, she encourages the need for vigilance to preserve them.

Though small in scale, her three-dimensional works convey complex ideas through symbolism and the ancient technique of hidden messaging.

Focusing on themes of social justice, immigration, and the preservation of the planet, Cavalieri's work delicately balances visual appeal with layered meaning, encouraging viewers to achieve a heightened sense of awareness and empathy.

### ARTIST BIO

Vivian Cavalieri is a visual artist with a studio on Chincoteague Island, Virginia. Her three-dimensional miniature scenes prompt conversations on a range of global issues including immigration and social justice. Her work has appeared in numerous group exhibitions in the US and abroad, including Los Angeles, Paris, Venice, and Rome. Cavalieri was long-listed for the 2024 Visual Art Open Prize and short-listed for the 2024 John Richardson French Residency Award. Her art is featured in the December 2023 issue of *Suboart*, the February 2024 issue of *Art Seen*, and the Summer 2024 issues of *Modern Renaissance Magazine*, *Collect Art*, *Forget-Me-Not Press (Wretched & Divine)*, and *Artists Responding To....* Cavalieri graduated from Harvard University (BA, Fine Arts) and the New York University School of Law. She is represented by Hambly & Hambly Gallery, Northern Ireland, UK.

### ARTIST STATEMENT

I am a conceptual artist creating three-dimensional mixed media scenes that spark conversations on topics such as immigration, climate change, and social justice. While an international upbringing predisposes me to select universal topics and to incorporate references from other cultures, my palette and sense of design strongly derive from my Venetian heritage.

My assemblages incorporate a segment of a necklace I designed into scenes crafted with dollhouse miniatures, fabrics, and other commercially manufactured items. Though these items may seem impersonal, the items selected are symbolic, with deeply personal meanings.

Rather than criticize or preach, I invite dialogue, fostering awareness and empathy by highlighting common challenges. I encourage viewers to engage with the small-scale scenes, framed with museum glass, which because of its clarity creates the illusion of being present at the scene.

When converting assemblages into installations, I invite viewers not only to approach but to become fully immersed in the experience. My intention with both assemblages and installations is to cultivate a deeper understanding of the universal human experiences that connect us.



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War & Peace (Code Girls), 2024

Mixed media - Aventurine, onyx, freshwater pearls,  
Murano glass, craft letters, paper, art board, drawer  
liner, dollhouse miniature crib and cards, wood,  
custom wood frame with museum glass  
18 x 22 in (h x w)

\$ 5,900



VIVIAN CAVALIERI  
War & Peace (Strings), 2024

Mixed media - Tuskegee airman patch, World War II  
poster in the public domain, Murano glass, citrine,  
jewelry findings, freshwater pearls, dollhouse  
miniature cake, art board, paper, custom wood  
frame with museum glass  
22 x 18 in (h x w)

\$ 5,900



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

War & Peace (Fly Girls), 2024

Mixed media - Pheasant feathers, dollhouse miniatures, wood model, Murano glass, freshwater pearls, faceted quartz, ambronite, calcite, onyx, ribbon, picture frame, custom wood frame with museum glass

20 x 25 in (h x w)

\$ 7,500



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

War & Peace (Ivy & Orchids), 2024

Mixed media - Dollhouse miniatures, Murano glass, freshwater pearls, garnet, art board, World War II poster in the public domain, artificial flowers, paper orchids, custom wood frame with museum glass

18 x 22 in (h x w)

\$ 5,900



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

War & Peace (Transport), 2024

Mixed media - Quartz, onyx, Murano glass, freshwater pearls, dollhouse miniatures, art board, scrapbook paper, World War II poster in the public domain, custom wood frame with museum glass

18 x 22 in (h x w)

\$ 5,900



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

War & Peace (Frigid Air), 2024

Mixed media - Garnet, Murano glass, freshwater pearls, dollhouse miniatures, art board, paper, ribbon, fabric, World War II photographs in the public domain of women working on bombers, and Records Administration, custom wood frame with museum glass

18 x 22 in (h x w)

\$ 5,900



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

Towards the Second Victory (Keep Us Flying), 2022

Mixed media - Aquamarine, freshwater pearls, Murano glass, paper, eagle painted by my grandmother, head from World War II poster in the public domain, custom wood frame with museum glass

13 x 11 in (h x w)

\$ 2,200



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

Born Free, 2019

Mixed media - Ametrine, quartz, freshwater pearls, Murano glass, fabric, dollhouse miniatures, portion of necklace clasp, paint, custom frame with museum glass

10 x 17 in (h x w)

\$ 2,800



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

Nature Inside & Out, 2023

Mixed media - Citrine, peridot, Murano glass, freshwater pearls, mirror, miniature of chair designed by Charles Rennie Macintosh, dollhouse miniatures, artificial flowers, paint, custom wood frame with museum glass

10 x 14 in (h x w)

\$ 2,300



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

Hope (The Guiding Light), 2023

Mixed media - Tarot cards, ribbon, Murano glass, citrine, miniature frames, ribbon, paper, freshwater pearls, custom wood frame with museum glass

14 x 14 in (h x w)

\$ 3,200



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

Waiting for the Ship to Come In, 2023

Mixed media - Tarot card, dollhouse miniatures, Murano glass, modified photos of ship, time clock and globe, craft letters, ribbon, fabric, custom frame with museum glass

14 x 22 in (h x w)

\$ 4,900



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

SOS, 2022

Mixed media - Aquamarine, hemimorphite, freshwater pearls, Murano glass, fabric, acrylic paint, mirror, glass, cold water coral, dollhouse miniatures, custom wood frame with museum glass  
7 x 14 in (h x w)

\$ 1,800



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

Staycation, 2019

Mixed media - Quartz nuggets, whelk shell, Murano glass, freshwater pearls, fabric, paper, realistic model of polar bear, custom wood frame with museum glass  
10 x 22 in (h x w)

\$ 3,600



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

Ice, 2022

Mixed media - Shell, freshwater pearls, Murano glass, mirror, oyster shell, paper, photo of Fabergé polar bear, ribbon, custom wood frame with museum glass  
13 x 11 in (h x w)

\$ 2,100



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

The Ocean Floor, 2023

Mixed media - Carnelian, freshwater pearls, Murano glass, dollhouse miniatures, shells, cold water coral, cutout of fish, shells, ribbon, art board, custom wood frame with museum glass

7 x 14 in (h x w)

\$ 1,700



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

Nature Tamed & Untamed, 2020

Mixed media - Realistic model of Arctic wolf, Murano glass, freshwater pearls, shells, oyster shell, dollhouse miniatures, diorama flora, acrylic paint, custom wood frame with museum glass

8 x 14 in (h x w)

\$ 1,800



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

The Misguided Coyote, 2023

Mixed media - Realistic models of coyote, bulldog, beagle and Boston terrier, dollhouse miniatures, fabric, agate, golden rutilated quartz, Murano glass, freshwater pearls, custom wood frame with Murano glass

14 x 32 in (h x w)

\$ 6,900





VIVIAN CAVALIERI

Open House, 2023

Mixed media - Realistic models of foxes, wood, miniature frame, citrine, freshwater pearls, Murano glass, fabric, paint, custom wood frame with museum glass

7 x 19 in (h x w)

\$ 1,800



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

Mother Nature's Watchful Eye, 2019

Mixed media - Murano glass, freshwater pearls, paper, craft materials (eggs and nest), photo, custom wood frame with museum glass

12 x 10 in (h x w)

\$ 1,950



VIVIAN CAVALIERI

No Boundaries, 2023

Mixed media - Seashells, moonstone, pink opal, Murano glass, freshwater pearls, fabric, custom wood frame with museum glass

22 x 18 in (h x w)

\$ 5,900



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