The Body Overwhelms

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Inspired by processes inside the human body and organisms in our natural environment, artist Nicole Banowetz has created a magnified petri dish of organic forms, overwhelming the front windows of the Famous Hardware Store.

Everyday, our bodies and environments are put under extreme stress by external and microscopic forces, yet remain resilient and adaptable. By enlarging these minute stresses, Banowetz helps us question and comprehend the mysteries we encounter within our physical world. As you peer into the depths of the abandoned Famous Hardware you enter a strange new realm. The sculptural forms here manifest into strange deep sea-likecreatures, bizarre aliens, or ghosts descending from above as if phantoms from within our own imaginations.

In addressing the unknowable in our physical realm, we are invited to find meaning in unexpected places: in our relationship to the environment and the organisms that help us thrive.