

Tony Breuer's

This Is My Body Broken For You

by Nan Parrish, Volunteer and Community Activist

This is the first piece I bought that started my collection of Southern living artists. I fell in love with Tony's work from a postcard sent to me by the Greenville Museum of Art. It has a kind of spiritual feel to it, but you don't necessarily see his work as religious paintings.

I was drawn to it—it wasn't something I thought about—it just happened. I'm amazed with his story too. He started a whole new career at age 50. He's the kind of guy who'd go out in a teepee, clear his mind, and have one of those visions that he would be an artist. I'm glad he did!



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Dr. Anthony "Tony" Breuer is both a physician and an artist. He was educated at Oxford University, Princeton University, and Harvard Medical School where he actively pursued an interest in molecular neurobiology and brain function. It was this curiosity in the sub-cellular level and in the unseen that led him to pursue the study of fine arts. He received his M.F.A. from East Carolina University.

Breuer, who was born in Venezuela, has traveled the world extensively and uses those experiences for his inspiration. His work is often a multilayered matrix of colors and recognizable shapes that seem to be in constant motion, always moving, always traveling. For Breuer, "still life" is not.