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"I'm Losing You And It's Effortless" - D. Jean Hester

November 29<sup>th</sup>- December 7th, 2008

Reception: Saturday, November 29th, 8 – 11 PM

My practice explores the territory of communication, failure, and crisis - the frailty of language and our repeated efforts to connect despite language's inefficiency and tendency toward miscommunication. The worlds we live in are tenuous, fragile, delicate, and precarious. They tend toward chaos and decay rather than a confident growth toward solidity and safety. They can go up in a blaze with one poor choice, one illchosen word, one missed connection. Crisis and disaster on the micro- and macro-level can be precipitated by anything – personal, political, or environmental.



My current body of work, of which the video "I'm Losing You And It's Effortless" is a part, investigates the everyday failures and breathtaking catastrophes of human interaction and experience. The imagery creates a sense of potential anxiety and unease, a hovering on the edge of the unknown, through fragmented and repetitive images of crisis and disaster – the artifacts and wreckage of wildfires, earthquakes, wars, hurricanes. Yet the work is open and gives the viewer room to project themselves into the landscape, to draw correlations to their own situation and relationships. The work negotiates the precarious line between chaos and beauty.

"I'm Losing You And It's Effortless" – 14 second video loop, 2008

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