

## Barbara Balzer

The odds against us being born were astronomical. And yet, here we are, born into this dizzying world of splendid and infinite phenomena, with an inscrutable past and an unclear future. We are each 20 trillion atoms of pure energy, the age of the universe. Close up, they are vibrating within us at the speed of light, unwitnessed. And yet we soldier on, daily negotiating with, evolving in and thriving on a seemingly indifferent planet. As an artist, I have faith in the ability of the human form to communicate, by gesture, by attitude, by palette, some consciousness of our seemingly unique experience. To evidence our awareness, daily, that the body and mind are temporary manifestations of pure energy, confronted daily by unfolding and temporary agendas.