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### **Artist's Statement** ***Borrowed Heaven***

*Borrowed Heaven* documents the landscape around Lower Piney Creek in Banner, Wyoming, a landscape of great differences—lush creek beds and parched, barren prairie; brilliant sunshine and sudden, dramatic storms; the light, ever-changing sky and the weighty, enduring land; the luminous days and the consuming, dark nights. These images are observations of moments of change when these contrasts are tangibly evident, moments that are so beautiful that, when caught, transport us beyond ourselves, freeing us from the gravity of the everyday world.

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