



'ATOMIC UNIVERSE'

Artist Statement

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In the spirit of the December season of sacred salutation and growing enlightenment in which the days begin to lengthen, **'Atomic Universe'** makes manifest 9 newly-revealing spiritual truths about the nature of our universe and our shared journey into ever-expanding being.

Each December for over a decade, I have participated in and contributed as a principal collaborating partner and existential artist to the seasonal Growing Enlightenment Spiritual Festival of Being, conceived and hosted by my spiritual and personal companion, Kain. The heart of his being as founding guide of The Being Trust and of our partnership is elevating our humanity, earth and universe of being at scale, which informs all of my creative practice.

On the commencement day of each December Festival - December 20th - I tune into the spirit and season of Growing Enlightenment through deep spiritual and meditative rapport. As I tune in with the originating and sourcing Spirit of our evolving universe - which I relate to as the Grand Architect - I engage sacred salutation as my way of being and the existential arts as my vehicle of expression to help contribute to the work of the Christ in the unfoldment and externalizing of the dawning World Heart.

In December 2024, the creative divine directive I received and perceived through my tuning in was **'Atomic Universe'**, an artistic and poetic precipitation of 9 new atoms of divine truths and substance being called into existence to meet the needs of growing enlightenment in our current age. The depictions share the essence - as I perceived them in the moments of tuning in - of these 9 foundational building blocks of our evolving universe and journey of being. The majority of the art and poetry was created March-September 2025.

The series starts with 'Atomic Universe 0: Seed' and progresses to 'Atomic Universe 8: Bloom'. 'Seed' is the originating source in potential - its central being and 'IS-ness'. 'Bloom' is the synthesis of 0's originating source in potential impulsed into 7 creative currents of expression and manifestation through the initiatory alchemy of divine electricity. Evidence of the 7 creative currents abounds in nature, faiths and human living: 7 angels before the throne, 7 virtues of Buddhism, 7 days of the week, 7 current colors that reveal themselves in the one white light through prisms and rainbows...

I perceived and initially roughly sketched all 9 atoms by Day 3 of the Festival on my phone, but I was given the divine assignment of a uniquely challenging process of creating the series to embody and physically experience the triple nature of Divine Being (in Christianity, the Holy Trinity; in Hinduism, Shiva, Vishnu, Brahma; in the universal way of being, Pioneering Wholeness, Cultivating Love, Growing Enlightenment): For each atom, I needed to first draw it freehand in my sketchbook with graphite, then draw it freehand digitally on my iPad with an Apple Pencil, and finally paint it freehand by hand-mixing and applying my sustainable, non-toxic, eco-friendly gesso and silver mica powder on sustainably-sourced, plant-based paper. So I actually created 27 pieces of art in the making of the 9-painting series on display. The graphite and digital drawings of 'Atomic Universe 2: Kernel' are provided as an illustrative part of the exhibit.

Each painting is accompanied by an ekphrastic *tanka* poem I wrote in response to each painting. The *tanka* is a Japanese minimalist short-form poem of 5 lines of 5-7-5-7-7 syllables per line. Its minimalist economy required an apt poetic boiling down to essence that shares each atom's distinctive nature and purpose if contemplated through visual study, meditation or prayer. Each painting and poem is a message, transmission and grounding of foundational new and universal divine design and substance of growing enlightenment in the being and heart of the viewer-reader-perceiver. An *Atomic Universe: Daily Companion of 9 Paintings & Poems* is available to continue the exhibit experience of contemplating, meditating and co-creating with our Universe of Being.

