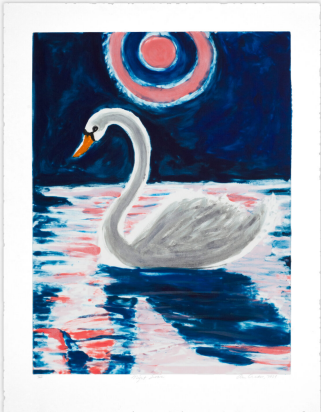
ANN CRAVEN

NIGHT SWAN, VII



CATEGORY: Monotypes

SPECIFICATIONS:

DESCRIPTION

Ann Craven's *Night Swan* monotypes expand her ongoing meditation on nature, repetition, and emotional memory through the motif of the swan—a recurring symbol of grace and reflection within her practice. Keeping with Craven's lifelong fascination with the moon as a subject of her paintings, each monotype captures the bird illuminated against a deep nocturnal background, where the moon's concentric glow and the shimmering surface of the water dissolve into painterly abstraction.

"When you look up at the night sky and see a ring around the moon and are lucky enough to see a color between the moon and the ring, it sets off a feeling inside of universal love, and everybody seeing that moon is simultaneously experiencing that love."

Through the monotype process, Craven translates her painterly immediacy into unique impressions on paper. The *Night Swan* works embody both stillness and transformation—poetic reflections on cycles of light, love, and recurrence that define her practice.