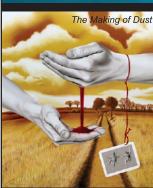
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Colorado's Riva Sweetrocket says leaving her desk job as a graphic designer to pursue art full time was a scary leap of faith, but the right one. "My work is about the beauty and the insanity within each of us," she says. Her paintings, made with soft pastels, are a bold combination of surrealism and pop art. This month, catch her at the Warhol Regional Invitational Exhibition at New Mexico State. www.sweetrocket.com -Beth Ellerman