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## Potential

By Rachel Scheub



© *Potential* by Rachel Scheub. Acrylic on stretched canvas.

*“Potential” contrasts the hopes of a pregnant woman with the grief of miscarrying. In adjacent frames, the same woman is shown pregnant, holding a baby, and in a pool of blood intended to symbolize the loss of the pregnancy. The baby is depicted in black and white, representing the longing of the woman for a child (hence, the title “Potential”). Peonies, a symbol of love, fertility and healing complement the background; additionally, the peony above the miscarrying woman is wilted to demonstrate her internal struggle.*

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