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K. Broscheit, *The Geology of Who You Share Your Bed With*, 2013 Wood, plaster, packing materials, newspaper, bed sheets; 4.5' x 6' x 2'







The Geology of Who You Share Your Bed With is a nearly 600 pound bed about the landscape of who you share your bed with, and the historical and geological relationships one creates in the human experience. It is a build up of layers of mixed materials that show the weight and complexity of our relationships, and the mess they can create. Inside these layers a human impression has been cast, representing the permanent impression our partners have on our lives, whether those relationships are romantic or not. Sharing a bed with someone is an intimate experience, which creates moments that are both stable and dynamic. I wanted to create a piece that documents the layering of those relationships, how they build on each other, and how their geologic representation can be messy and full of complex moments and conversation.

The piece is cut in half and placed on wheels to reveal the layers of these relationships. This also allows for the gap between the halves to be constantly shifting in size. With this possibility, the piece can also talk about the distance between those partners and their relationships. As people viewing the bed enter the gap, there is a strong sense of disruption and the feeling of entering an intimate space that was once shared by another relationship or experience.

These layers of relationships have the power to define who we are, and continue to shift how we discover the history of ourselves through partners we share a space with.