## **Arborglyphs**

Hey, you know me
I am SCIENCE, a caricature
A lab coat exterior
Predictable, calculated, linear
My language exclusive, data-driven
Conclusive
Matters of spirit & heart
To you I impart

You know me
I am SOCIAL DOCTRINE, a container
Two-dimensional
Dichotomous retainer
Muslim, Christian, Buddhist, or Jewish
Red State or Bluish
Your tribe or mine
I'm a Believer!

You know me
I am PANDO, a connection
I'll carry your water, invite you in
Spreading, multidimensional, teaching
Mystery notwithstanding
Empty nester, I'm reaching out
Generations suspended
Pleading, Oikos = family = house

You know me
I am PANDO and
I am POPULUS, a community
My life spells oneness, transformational
Foliage sky-flirting, subterranean whispers
From a spot on the map
To continental drifters
Time, resilience, diversity
Roots on roots
I am humility



Paul C. Rogers, Director, Western Aspen Alliance, 2018

Frank Cope, artist (oil, canvas), 2014