

PORTFOLIO & GALLERY PROPOSAL

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Image Copyright © 2020 The Artist | "Stormy Night" (In Situ) A. Paton Oil on Canvas Painting, Photographed and Printed to Aluminium Panel using Archival Ink, framed under UV Perspex 90x 120cm

INTRODUCTION

The following portfolio provides an overview of recent works, Artist statement and biography for Andrew Paton (www.artpaton.online)

I am an Abstract Artist located in Asia Pacific with a permanent base in Singapore. My primary motivation is to explore contemporary social concepts and to challenge preconceived notions of beauty and aesthetic appeal.

I am presently represented (non-exclusively) on ARTSY.net, The Artling Singapore, Starvd Art Studio and of course, Saatchi. As an emerging artist in the region, I am currently seeking new Gallery representation and invite you to visit my website at https://www.artpaton.online to review a more comprehensive selection of my work.

If you are interested in seeing my artwork or discussing opportunities to collaborate or exhibit, then please use the contact details at the end of this proposal. Thank you for taking the time to review my work.



"Dark Canopy" (Commission in situ) c.2019 Oil on Canvas 160x185cm Photograph courtesy J. McDonald

I began to work as an artist formally five years ago; however, I have been studying art and painting commissions for over twenty years. Over time, my passion for artistic development has continued to grow, and artistic practice has now become my primary professional focus.

Initially, my work was extremely diverse as I experimented with using traditional art materials and techniques in new ways to create highly aesthetic, yet emotionally charged artworks. As my practice evolved, I began channelling these experiments into cohesive series and specific studies that resolved particular interests resulting from this experimentation. These studies focus on the interplay of light (e.g., the Inter-Phasic series), colour, organic form and representational abstraction, which often blurs the line between pure abstraction and figurative representation. As such, I now work in inter-linked series across minimalist and abstract painting, photography and new media studies.

I am considered a purist painter with a foundation in traditional, classical art techniques. However, I usually choose to work in a highly abstracted manner and only occasionally undertake photo-realistic works either as a commission or as a foundation study for future abstract work. I take great joy in creating impactful visual compositions, with a sustained interest in form and colour. My work draws upon the traditional techniques of painting, in particular minimalism and abstract expressionism, but is also influenced by contemporary design, social commentary, and the emotional impact of music and poetry. The resulting approach is resolutely contemporary in both method and conception. Using colour as a vehicle, my work triggers emotional responses through both sophisticated and playful palettes.

My abstract works are the outcome of intensive and methodical, planned preparation – the canvases are worked on, set aside, scraped back, and worked on again. Typically taking weeks to prepare a single "eggshell" canvas, the finished work can be composed of upwards of forty or fifty layers of paint and handcrafted experimental mediums, meticulously tested for their archival properties.

My earlier artistic interests have been engaged in colour field studies at the beginning of my exploration into abstraction. Works are approached from the perspective of an abstract expressionist painter, injecting some of the more painterly and gestural aspects of expressionist painting into the work as a means of channelling emotion and the perception of form and structure. The expressionist device is a further means of creating an emotional response to the chosen materials and colour palette. The result is a rhythmic play of movement across the canvas as opposed to a pure colour field study. I consider these abstract works to be an experimentation in colour as an expressive medium essential to the production of composition. Drawing inspiration from a vast field of artistic references, from the Baroque to the Abstract, as well as Minimalism. Pure pigments are applied to the canvas using a variety of instruments, cloth, brushes and even the Artists bare hands. These energy charged paintings allow the colour to become a sensory experience for the viewers to immerse themselves in a wash of colour and rhythm as it invokes an emotional response in the onlooker.

The interplay of blazing light, colour and structure, combined with the practised impact of hand-applied pigments, imbues the work, characterised by a partly purist clarity and an immense passion for colour, with both strength and energy.

An art maker for almost two decades, although initially trained in information science with a successful career as a technologist and architect. Raised by British parents, having lived and worked in Europe, the US, and Asia, he studied with the Julian Ashton Art School Sydney, one of the most influential art schools in Australia.

Based in Singapore, Paton is considered a purist painter with a foundation in traditional, classical art techniques. Still, he chooses to work in a highly abstracted manner across the mediums of encaustic painting, drawing, photography, new, and mixed media.

An artist that takes great joy in creating impactful visual compositions, with a sustained interest in form and colour, his work draws upon the traditional techniques of painting, in particular minimalism and abstract expressionism, but is also influenced by contemporary design, social commentary, and above all, the emotional impact of poetry and music. The resulting approach is resolutely contemporary in both method and conception. Using colour as a vehicle, his work triggers emotional responses through both sophisticated and playful palettes.

Paton predominantly abstract works are the outcome of intensive and methodical, planned preparation – the canvases are worked on, set aside, scraped clean, and worked on again. Typically taking weeks to prepare a single "eggshell" canvas, the finished work can be composed of upwards of forty layers of paint and handcrafted experimental mediums, meticulously tested for their archival properties.

Paton works in a series of interlinked yet often autonomous works, in which a dialogue is established between repetition and variations in colour and form. Although his paintings might appear to depict something 'real'—a familiar form, for example—there is, in fact, no 'original.'

Held in private and corporate collections in Sydney & Canberra Australia, Singapore and Vienna Austria.

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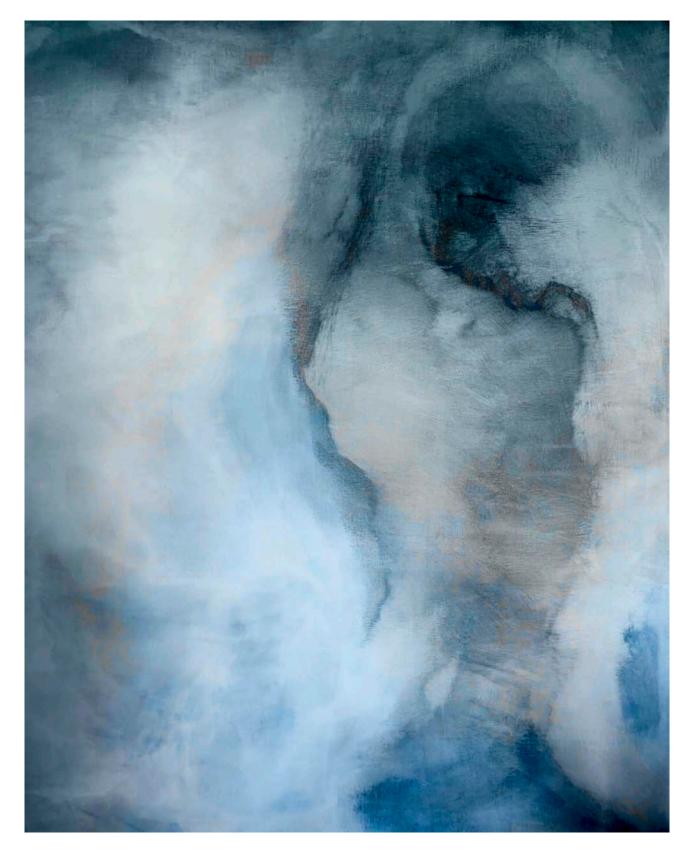
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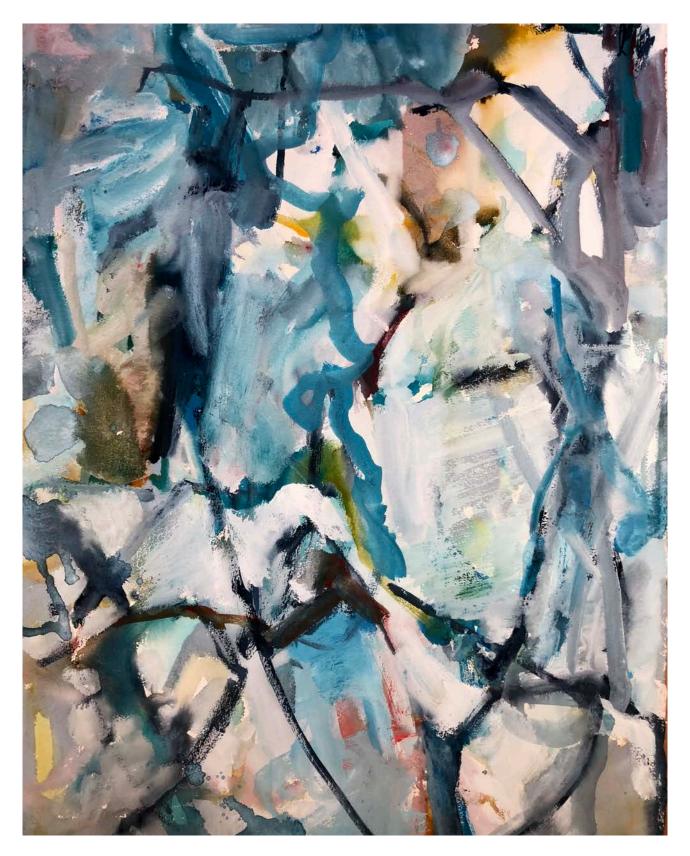


A. Paton, The Blue Embrace, c. 2020 Oil on Canvas 36 x 40 inches





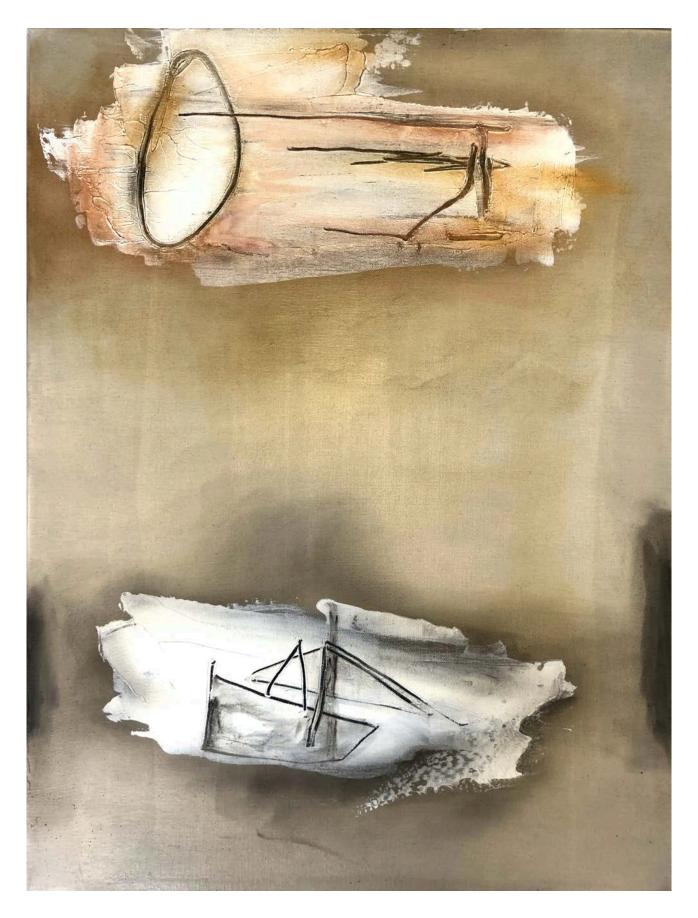
A. Paton, Other Peoples Lives, c. 2020 Acrylic Ink, Graphite, Enamel & Oil on Canvas 40 x 40 inches



A. Paton, Study (Maquette) for Dark Canopy, c. 2019 Oil on Paper 24 x 18 inches







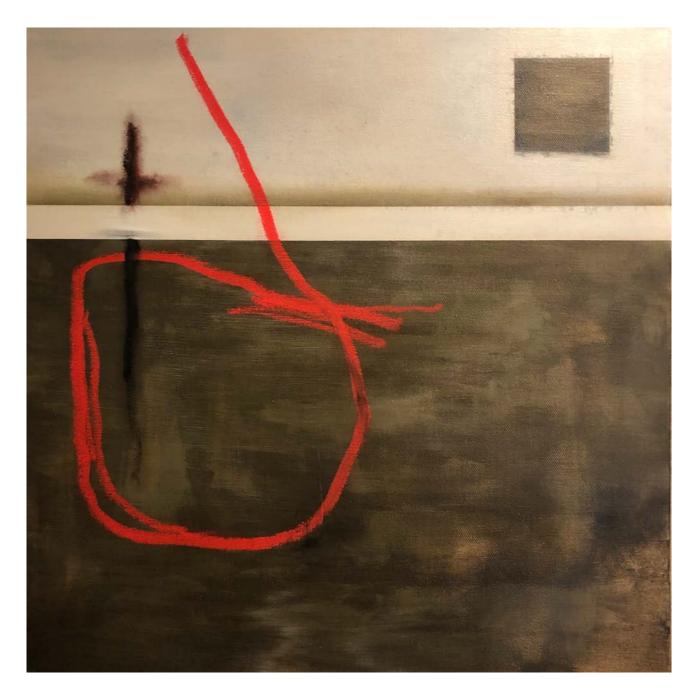
A. Paton, Sunny Skies, Stormy Seas (Primitive Series), c. 2020 Oil on Canvas 18 x 24 inches





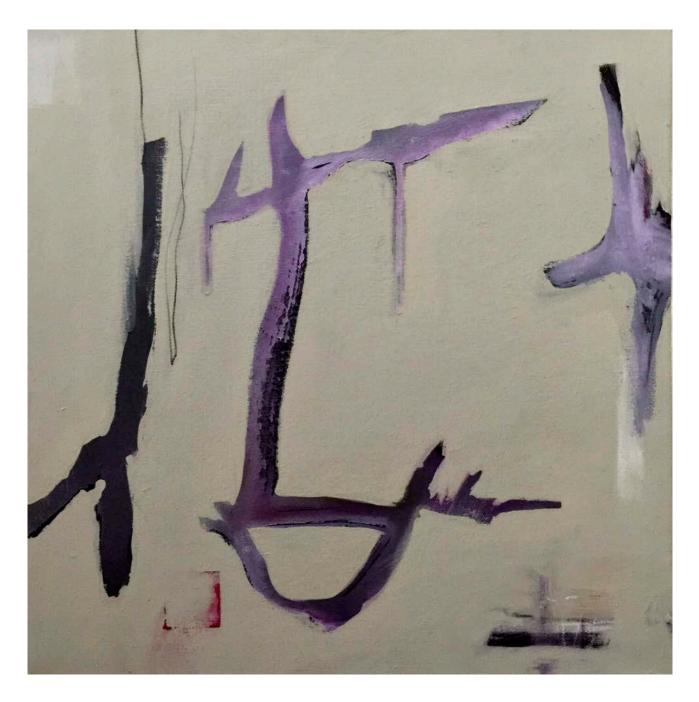
A. Paton, Rainy Days, Lonely Nights (Primitive Series), c. 2020 Oil on Canvas 18 x 24 inches





A. Paton, The Patch to God, c. 2020 Oil on Canvas 18 x 18 inches





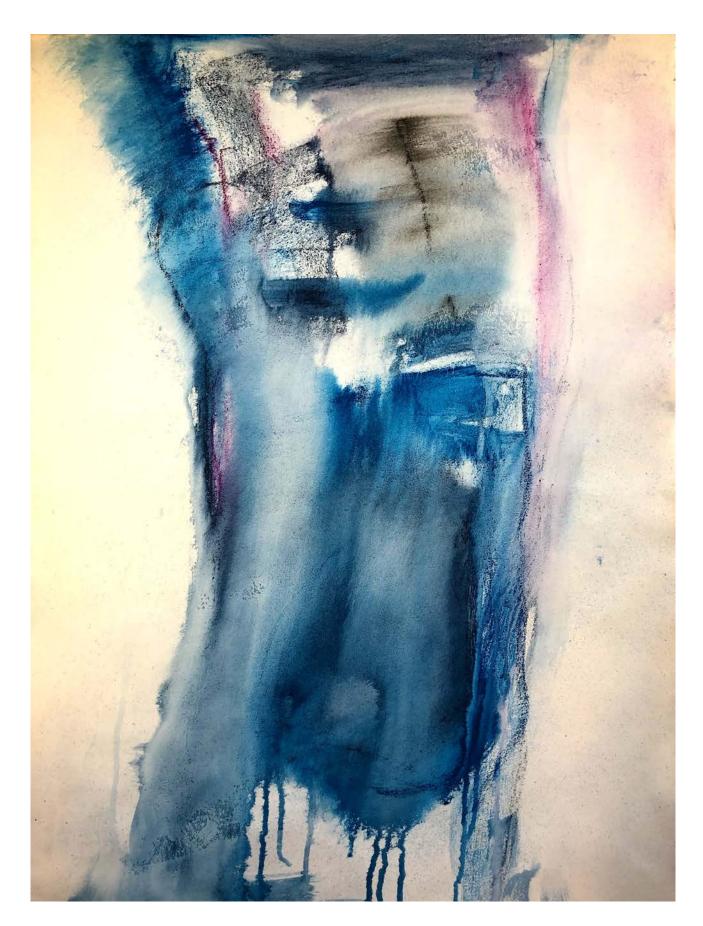
A. Paton, Kowloon Tall Ship, c. 2019 Oil on Canvas 18 x 18 inches

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A. Paton, In-spired, c. 2019 Oil on Canvas 48 x 60 inches





A. Paton, Torso, c. 2020 Acrylic Ink, Pastel, Graphite on Paper 24 x 36 inches



A. Paton, Oceanography, c. 2019 Enamel, Gold Flake, Oil on Canvas 18 x 18 inches





A. Paton, The Red Pope (Sacred Heart Series), c. 2020 Latex & Oil on Canvas 18 x 18 inches



A. Paton, A New Path, c. 2020 Latex & Oil on Aluminium Panel 40 x 40 inches

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A. Paton, A New Age (is Dawning) II, c. 2020 Acrylic & Oil on Canvas 18 x 18 inches





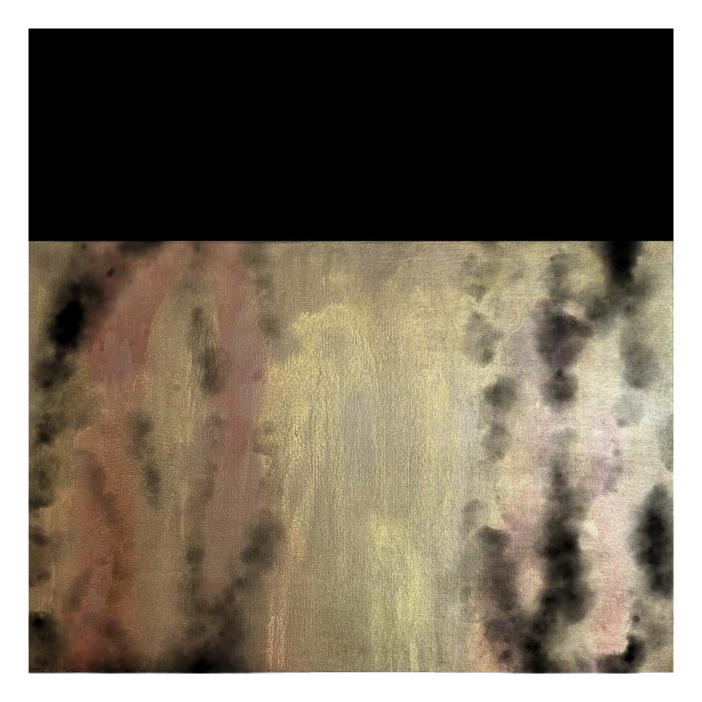
A. Paton, A New Age (is Dawning) III, c. Archival Ink on Aluminium Panel 40 x 40 inches



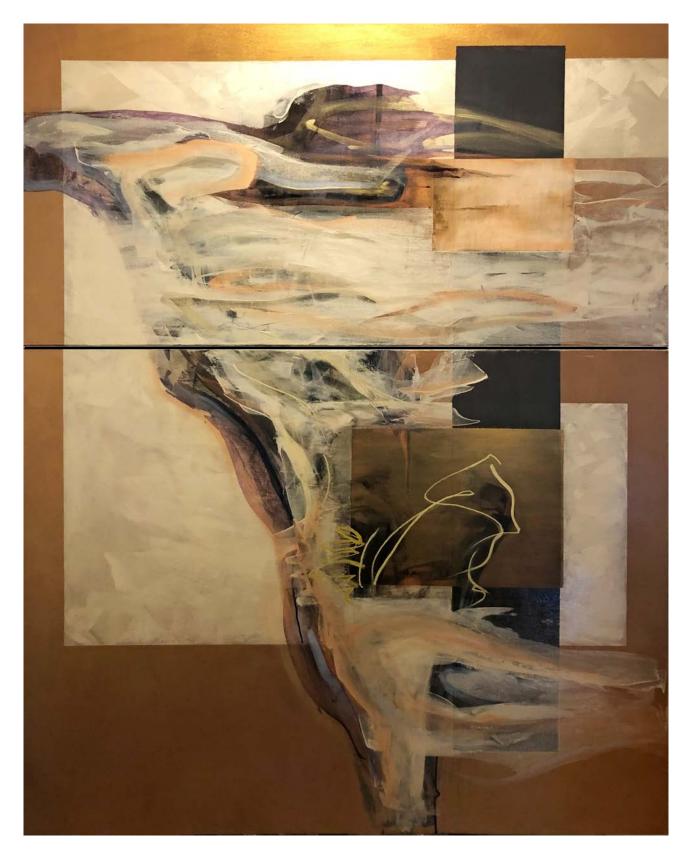
A. Paton, A New Age (is Dawning) IV, c. 2020 Archival Ink on Aluminium Panel 40 x 40 inches



A. Paton, A New Age (is Dawning) V, c. Archival Ink on Aluminium Panel 40 x 40 inches



A. Paton, A New Age (is Dawning) I, c. Archival Ink on Aluminium Panel 40 x 40 inches



A. Paton, Osiris I & II (Day and Night) Diptych , c. 2020 Enamel & Oil on Canvas 60 x 48 inches



A. Paton, The Eye of Osiris III, c. 2020 Oil on Canvas 18 x 24 inches



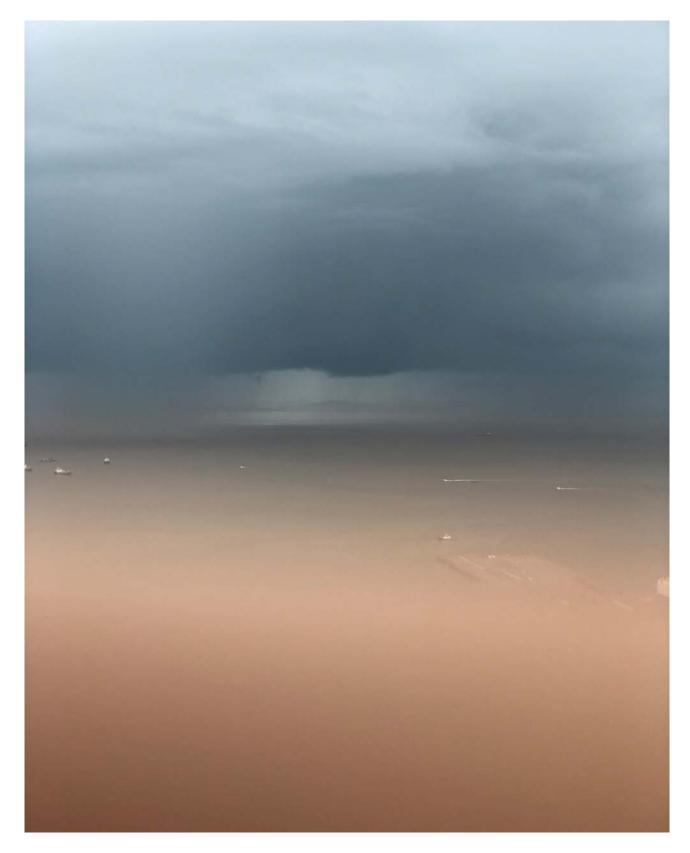
A. Paton, The Eye of Osiris IV, c. 2020 Oil on Canvas 18 x 24 inches



A. Paton, The Eye of Osiris I, c. 2020 Archival Ink on Aluminium Panel 30 x 30 inches

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A. Paton, Cast, c. 2020 Photography 36 x 27 inches





A. Paton, Inter-phasic I & II, c. 2020 Photography Various Sizes.



IMAGE PLATE 01

Title: The Blue Embrace \$1500 AUD Year: 2020 Series: NA Medium: Oil on Canvas & Aluminium Panel Dimensions: 36 x 40 inches Genre: Abstract Expressionism, Abstract vs Figurative

IMAGE PLATE 02

Title: Other Peoples Lives \$4380 AUD Year: 2020 Series:NA Medium: Acrylic Ink, Graphite, Enamel & Oil on Canvas Dimensions: 40 x 40 inches Genre: Abstract

IMAGE PLATE 03

Title: Study for Dark Canopy......\$POA Year: 2019 Series: NA Medium: Oil on Paper Dimensions: 18 x 24 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism

IMAGE PLATE 04

Title: Sunny Skies, Stormy Seas...... \$1770 AUD Year: 2020 Series: Primitive Medium: Oil on Canvas Dimensions: 18 x 24 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism

IMAGE PLATE 05

Title: Rainy Days, Lonely Nights..... \$1770 AUD Year: 2020 Series: Primitive Medium: Oil on Canvas Dimensions: 18 x 24 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism

IMAGE PLATE 06



IMAGE PLATE 07

Title: Kowloon Tall Ship SOLD Year: 2019 Series: NA - NB: Print Edition of 20 Available \$POA Medium: Oil on Canvas Dimensions: 18 x 18 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism

IMAGE PLATE 08

Title: In-spiration SOLD Year: 2019 Series: NA Medium: Oil on Canvas Dimensions: 48 x 60 inches Genre: Abstract

IMAGE PLATE 09

Title: Torso \$750 AUD Year: 2020 Series: NA Medium: Acrylic Ink, Pastel, Graphite on Paper Dimensions: 24 x 36 inches Genre: Abstract, Expressionism, Abstract vs Figurative

IMAGE PLATE 10

Title: Oceanography \$2600 AUD Year: 2019 Series: Oceanography Medium: Enamel, Gold Flake, Oil on Canvas Dimensions: 18 x 18 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism, Abstract vs Figurative

IMAGE PLATE 11

Title: The Red Pope \$2600 AUD Year: 2020 Series: Sacred Heart Medium: Latex & Oil on Canvas Dimensions: 18 x 18 inches Genre: Abstract, Expressionism, Abstract vs Figurative

IMAGE PLATE 12

Title: A New Path \$4380 AUD Year: 2020 Series: NA Medium: Archival Ink, Latex & Oil on Aluminium Panel Dimensions: 40 x 40 inches Genre: Abstract, Expressionism



IMAGE PLATE 13

Title: A New Age (is Dawning) II \$1090 AUD Year: 2020 Series: Inter-phasic Medium: Acrylic & Oil on Canvas Dimensions: 18 x 18 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism

IMAGE PLATE 14

Title: A New Age (is Dawning) III \$1500 AUD Year: 2020 Series: Inter-phasic Medium: Archival Ink on Aluminium Panel Dimensions: 40 x 40 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism

IMAGE PLATE 15

Title: A New Age (is Dawning) IV \$1500 AUD Year: 2020 Series: Inter-phasic Medium: Archival Ink on Aluminium Panel Dimensions: 40 x 40 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism

IMAGE PLATE 16

Title: A New Age (is Dawning) V \$1500 AUD Year: 2020 Series: Inter-phasic Medium: Archival Ink on Aluminium Panel Dimensions: 40 x 40 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism

IMAGE PLATE 17

Title: A New Age (is Dawning) I \$1500 AUD Year: 2020 Series: Inter-phasic Medium: Archival Ink on Aluminium Panel Dimensions: 40 x 40 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism

IMAGE PLATE 18

Title: Osiris I & II (Day and Night) Diptych \$7190 AUD (2 Panels) Year: 2020 Series: Osiris Medium: Enamel & Oil on Canvas Dimensions: 48 x 60 inches (2 Panels hung vertically) Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism



IMAGE PLATE 19

Title: The Eye of Osiris III & IV SOLD Year: 2020 Series: Osiris Medium: Oil on Canvas (Print Edition of 20 Available POA) Dimensions: 18 x 24 inches Genre: Abstract Landscape, Expressionism

IMAGE PLATE 20

IMAGE PLATE 21

IMAGE PLATE 22

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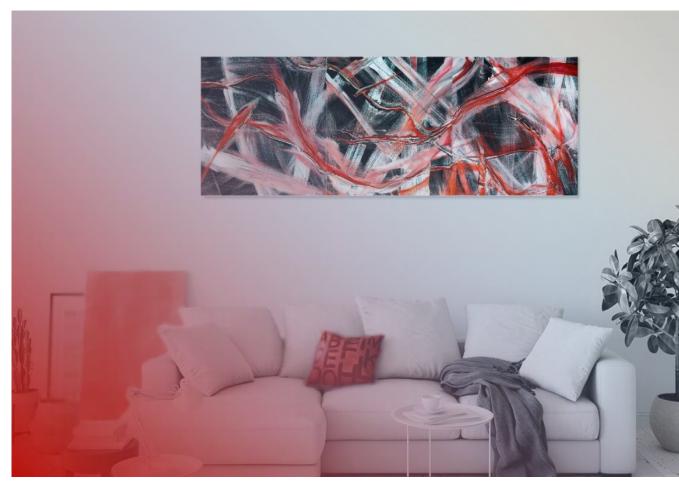
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