

Lucy Smallbone
British, 1988



"My works look at the merging of fictional and real space, how stories and our memories can affect and alter our view of a place. Picture planes tilt upwards and vivid colours grow across the surface consuming it, leaving the landscapes uncertain of whether they are forming or falling apart. Paint distorts space as it aims to describe something more than the real, the body remembers, that muscle memory can be caught and frozen in gesture, sometimes only fleetingly before it dissolves in amongst the turpentine as a remnant of time.

In my pictures this state of flux is shown through composition and paint by playing with how the viewer can look at the work. Some works block your view with shapes, grids and colours leaving only small pockets of space to breathe, others sit uncomfortably calm as if waiting for the viewer to arrive. This feeling of never truly having access to the landscape is meant to reflect something that is felt in moments of the sublime in nature.

Lucy Smallbone is a recent graduate from the Slade School of Fine Art Master's program who specialises in modern landscape painting. Her work looks at the merging of fictional and real space and questions the part that memory and the mind can play in altering a view of a place.

Education

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- 2015 The Slade Masters in Fine Art with Merit
- 2011 City and Guilds Painting Degree 1st Class Hons
- 2009 Falmouth and Exeter University Art and Design diploma

Selected Awards & Residencies

- 2018 Young Contemporary Talent Purchase Prize, Ingram Collection
- 2016 Duveen Travel Prize
- 2015 Duveen Travel Prize to Chernobyl
- 2011 The Catlin Guide
- 2011 The Hayworth Trust Grant
- 2010 The Hayworth Trust Award for Painting
- 2009 The David Ballardie Travel Award

Bibliography

- 2017 Fad Magazine's 'Artist to Watch'

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2021 Wish you were Here, Fiumano Clase, London
- 2018-19 HSBC Art Collection, Canada Square, London
- 2018 Edgelands, Fiumano Clase, London
- 2017 Space station gallery, London

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2022 One by One, Fiumano Clase, Pall Mall, London, UK
- 2019 Still Here, Newington Gallery, London
- 2019 With Fiumano Clase, London Art Fair, London
- 2018 With Fiumano Clase, Pulse, Miami
- 2018 Lyn Painter Stainer Prize, London
- 2017 Pools, Jealous Gallery, London
- 2017 The North Wall, Oxford, Solution 66, Icing Rooms, London
- 2017 31 Celsius, ASC, London
- 2017 Nunnery Gallery, London
- 2017 Curate Art, London
- 2017 Footfall, Walthamstow Window Gallery, London
- 2016 Paper Cuts, London
- 2016 Member, London
- 2016 After- London
- 2016 Chroma-London
- 2015 Wells Art Contemporary
- 2015 Slade Degree Show
- 2014 Slade interim Show
- 2013 Strange Worlds, Montagne au Perche, France
- 2012 Strange Worlds, London
- 2013 Apophenia, London
- 2013 Apophenia, Stockholm

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Selected Group Exhibitions Continued

- 2012 Apophenia, Oxford
- 2012 The North Wall, Oxford
- 2011 Urban Perspectives (Hosted by Fiumano Fine Art), London
- 2011 Art Shop Cooperative, London
- 2011 The Creek Gallery, Newbury
- 2011 The Catlin Guide Launch at London Art Fair
- 2010 City and Guilds Degree Show, London
- 2009 On the Vyne, Vyner Street London
- 2009 The Electrician Shop, Trinity Buoy Wharf, London