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# **REFLECTIONS** 2020 - 2023

We attempt to stitch together a sense of reality and self based on torrents of seemingly random stimuli. These drawings and paintings are similarly informed by the random elements found in collected photographs. Each element represents facts or factoids, but as they are assembled, they become fiction.

The Rose Window was the first work painted during the pandemic lockdown in 2020. A rose window lets the light in, but you cannot see what's on the other side. In a very visual way, the canvas can be thought of as an infinite, empty theatre stage, and the elements placed within its boundaries thus become props. During the pandemic lockdown this stage was suddenly transformed to host scenes of a more apocalyptic and alien nature, making the content more operatic compared to the earlier projects.

There were initially only three, large format paintings in this series, but it has since been added to with a series of smaller pencil drawings and additional larger paintings.

The Other - those things that are not quite known to us - might possibly best be explored through fiction. There's an unspoken agreement between artist and audience concerning two-dimensional works - it is only a lifeless representation, but it is to be treated as if it can tell us something about the world around us, both physical and metaphysical. In many ways the Reflections series is visual historical fiction, but it is also an exploration into the Other, and therefore our own minds, our questions, dreams and imaginary realities.



The Rose Window II

2021 160 x 180 cm Acrylic on canvas



The Rose Window III

2021 150 x 180 cm Acrylic on canvas



The Rose Window

2020 150 x 150 cm Acrylic on canvas



# Baptism of Faun

2020 150 x 120 cm Acrylic on canvas



## Inception II

2022 40 x 30 cm Acrylic on wood





## The Other

2022 34.5 x 26 cm Pencil on paper

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## Reflections II

2022 22 x 17.5 cm Pencil on paper

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#### **REFLECTIONS | EXHIBITIONS AND AQUISITIONS**

#### **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- 2023 Trinity Buoy Wharf Drawing Prize, ArtHouse Jersey, Jersey
- 2022 TBWDP22, Willis Museum, Basingstoke
- 2022 Trinity Buoy Wharf Drawing Prize, Trinity Buoy Wharf, London
- 2022 Small is Beautiful XL, Flowers Gallery, London

#### **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2022 Interventions, ASC Brixton Beneficiary, London

#### AQUISTITIONS

Private Collection, Vienna

Private Collection, London

Private Collection, Zürich

Private Collection, Oslo