

# **SAMURAI FARAI**

## Catalogue

### Masks of Modernity Vol. I & II

This is not just an exhibition; it is a rupture in the fabric of conventional storytelling, an invitation to step into Samurai Farai's world of radical expression.

The moment Samurai Farai entered this new space, the walls became more than surfaces - they became living, breathing extensions of his vision. With fearless strokes, he transforms them into a pulsating cosmos of colour, form, and ancestral echoes. Here, masks are not mere artefacts of concealment but instruments of revelation, exposing the tension between heritage and the contemporary, between selfhood and the collective.

At its core, Masks of Modernity interrogates identity in a postcolonial African reality. Samurai Farai embraces the tensions of his Zimbabwean and Afrikaans heritage, forging a new, unbound visual language - one that blends tradition with Afrofuturism, abstraction with personal mythology. Through painting, sculpture, ceramics, and textiles, he carves out a space where the past and the future do not just coexist; they collide and recombine in electrifying new forms.

This iteration of the exhibition embraces maximalism not just as an aesthetic choice, but as a philosophical stance. In a world that often demands restraint, Farai insists on abundance. His work rejects the imposed minimalism of Western ideals and revels in excess - big colour, big feeling, big meaning. Every line, every brushstroke is charged with an urgency to be seen, felt, and heard in full. His murals, layered with symbols and coded histories, are a declaration that African narratives cannot and should not be compressed into neat, digestible forms.

Farai's art is a challenge to the expectation that African creativity must fit a predetermined mould. He moves fluidly across mediums and disciplines, crafting a universe where multiplicity is the norm, where masks are not only worn but wielded as tools for transformation. His figures -part-human, part-spirit - speak in tongues of memory and future prophecy, urging the viewer to embrace the contradictions within themselves.

Masks of Modernity is an ode to the messy, layered, and dynamic nature of African identity. It is a call to embrace complexity, to resist erasure, and to revel in the evershifting dance of past and future. Samurai Farai does not ask us to choose between tradition and innovation - he dares us to hold both, to sit in the tension, and to find power in the fullness of it all.

Welcome to a world unmasked.

## CONTACT

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#### Private Viewings

Studio viewings are available by appointment.

To arrange a private presentation or request further information about available works, please email with the artwork title(s) and your preferred viewing dates.

#### International Collectors

I work with collectors across South Africa, the United Kingdom, Europe, the United States, and the UAE.

Shipping coordination, framing options, and condition documentation can be arranged upon request.



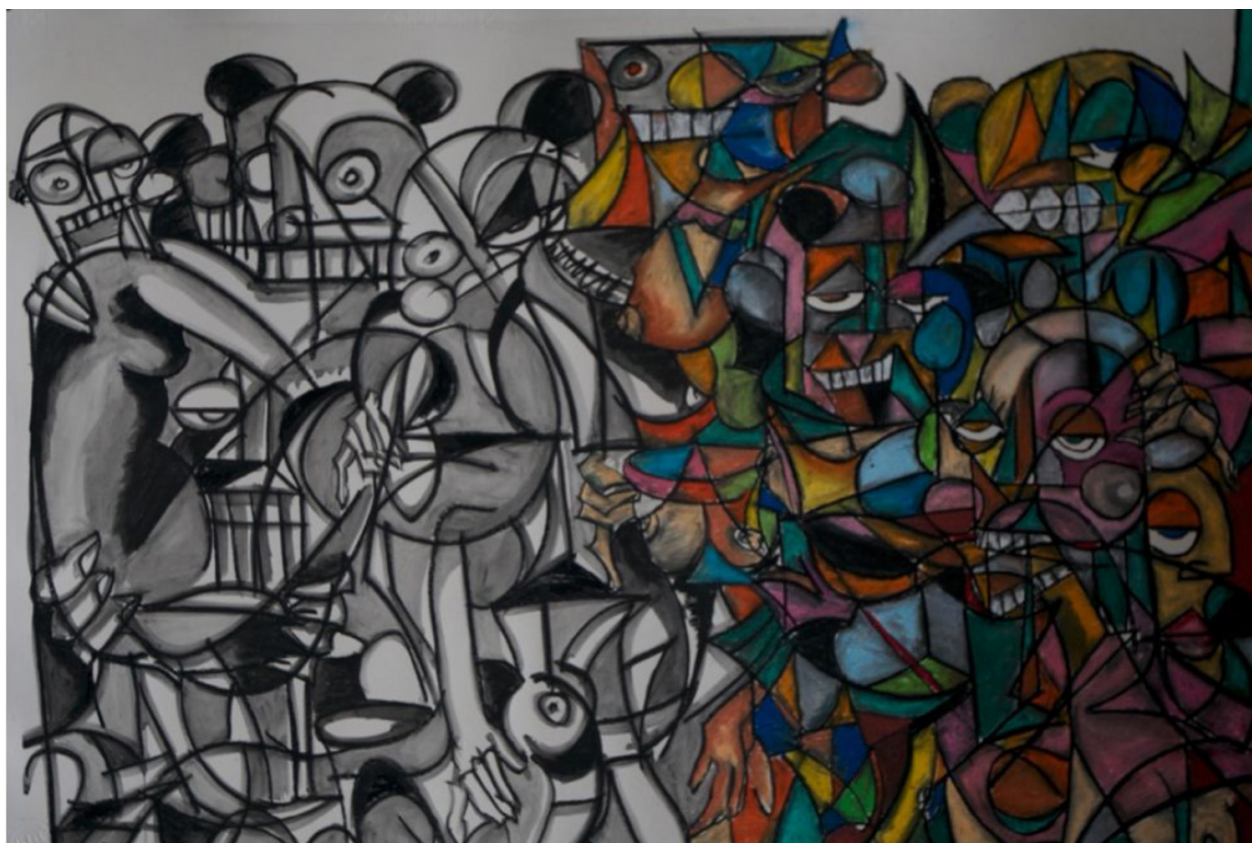
SAMURAI FARAI  
*Riding with bull, after Basquiat, 2023*

Mixed media on canvas  
133 x 101 cm  
\$ 5,289 / R 95,200



SAMURAI FARAI  
*Self Navigation & White Water,*  
2024

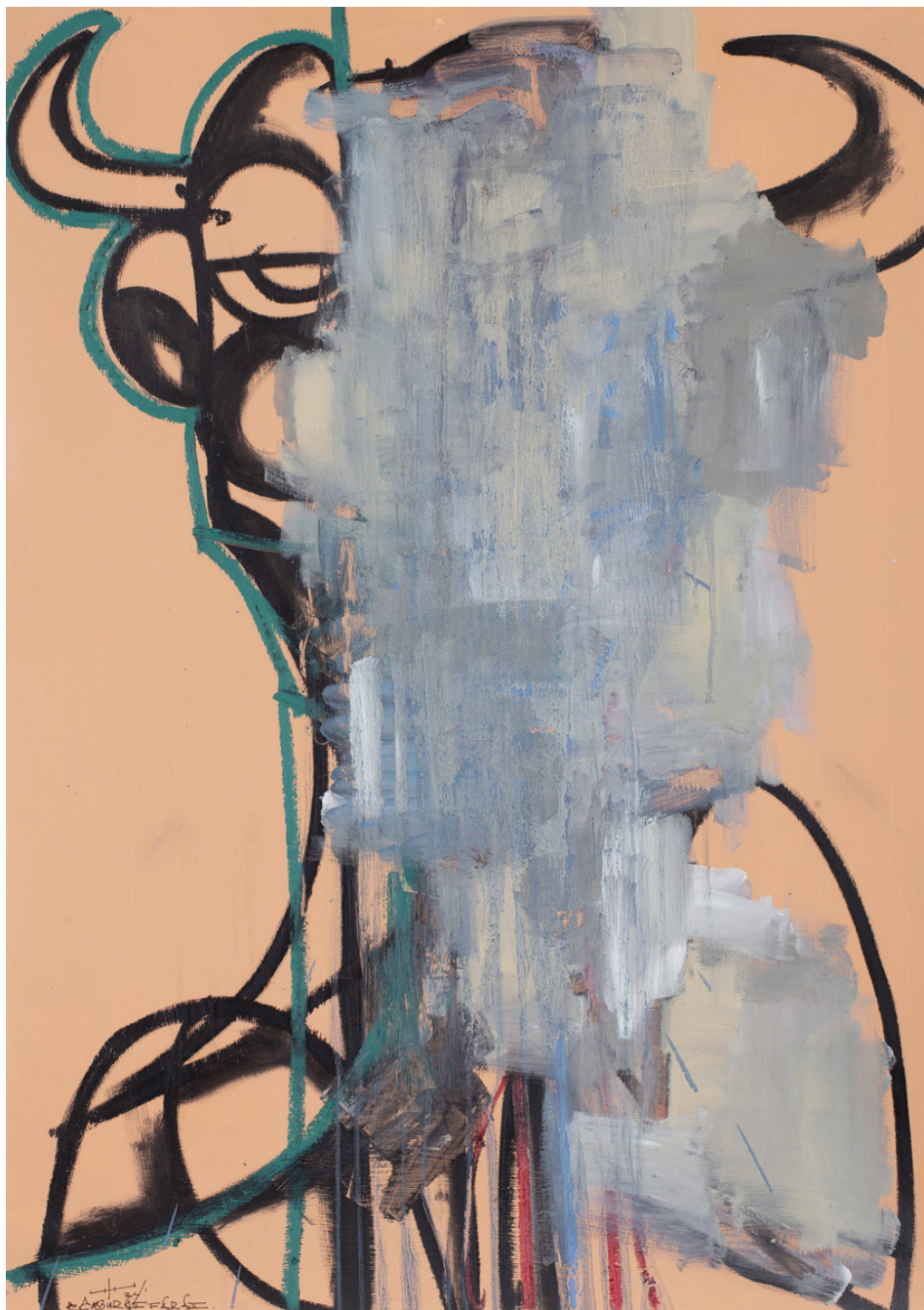
Mixed media on canvas  
111 x 111 cm  
\$ 4,362 / R 78,500



SAMURAI FARAI  
*Weight of the World, 2024*

Chalk pastel, Japanese ink, charcoal on Fabriano paper  
70 x 100 cm  
\$ 4,360 / R78,500

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SAMURAI FARAI  
*Unmasked Enchantment, 2024*

Oil stick, acrylic paint on Fabriano paper  
85 x 63 cm  
\$ 2,778 / R 50,000



SAMURAI FARAI  
*Hands (Heaven)*, 2025

Chalk pastel, charcoal, oil stick, collage & acrylic paint on watercolour paper  
125 x 83 cm

\$ 3,973. / R71,500



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*Cultural Values / maadili ya kitamaduni, 2024*

Charcoal, chalk pastel and acrylic paint on watercolour paper

105 x 125 cm

Framed: 113.5 x 133.5 cm

\$ 4,580 / R82,500

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SAMURAI FARAI  
*My brothers keeper, 2024*

Charcoal, acrylic paint and chalk pastel on Fabriano paper  
70 x 100 cm  
\$ 2,611 / R 47,000



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*The things of tomorrow, come today,*  
2025

Oil stick & acrylic paint on canvas  
140 x 110 cm

\$ 5,500 / R 98,500



SAMURAI FARAI

*Phoenician dreams & other origin stories of language, 2025*

Acrylic ink & acrylic paint on canvas

140 x 133 cm

\$ 5,700 / R 102,000



SAMURAI FARAI  
*Head of the table, 2023*

Acrylic paint, chalk pastel, charcoal on Fabriano paper  
165 x 150 cm  
\$ 5,555 / R100,000



SAMURAI FARAI  
*Gestures of Faith*, 2024

Acrylic paint, charcoal on Fabriano Paper  
126 x 101.5 cm  
Framed: 139 x 113.5 cm  
\$ 4,700 / R 84,500



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*Ghosts of Tomorrow, 2024*

Charcoal, chalk pastel and acrylic paint on watercolour paper

83 x 65 cm

Framed: 97 x 79 cm

\$ 2,500 / R 45,000

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SAMURAI FARAI  
*Ghosts of Yesterday, 2024*

Charcoal, chalk pastel and acrylic paint on watercolour paper  
100 x 80 cm  
Framed: 96.5 x 75.5 cm  
\$ 2,500 / R 45,000

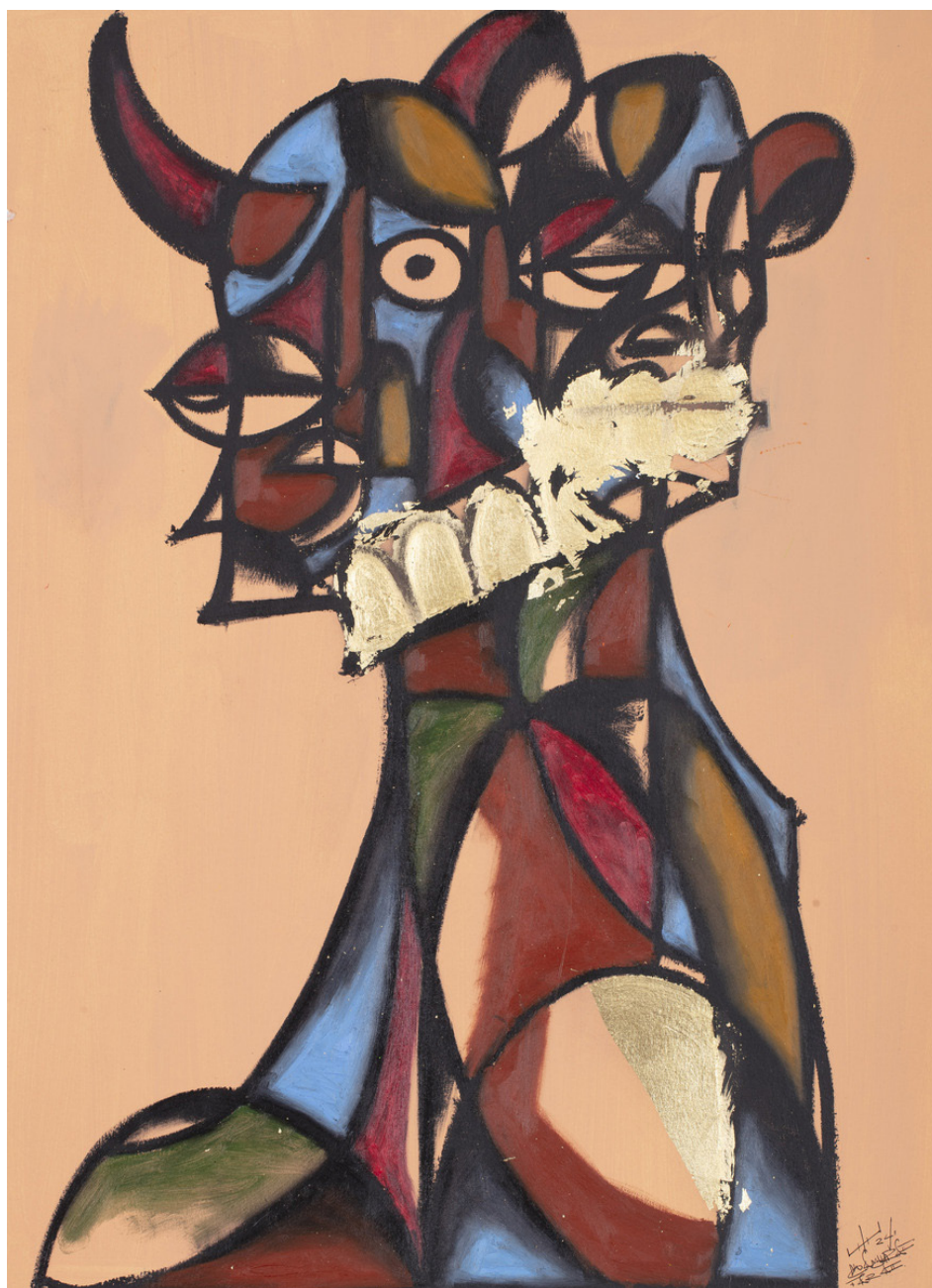
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SAMURAI FARAI  
*Granite, Gold & the Family Acropolis,*  
2024

Acrylic paint and spray paint on canvas  
152 x 100 cm  
Framed: 166 x 117 cm  
\$ 5,000 / R 90,000

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SAMURAI FARAI  
*Imbabwe, 2024*

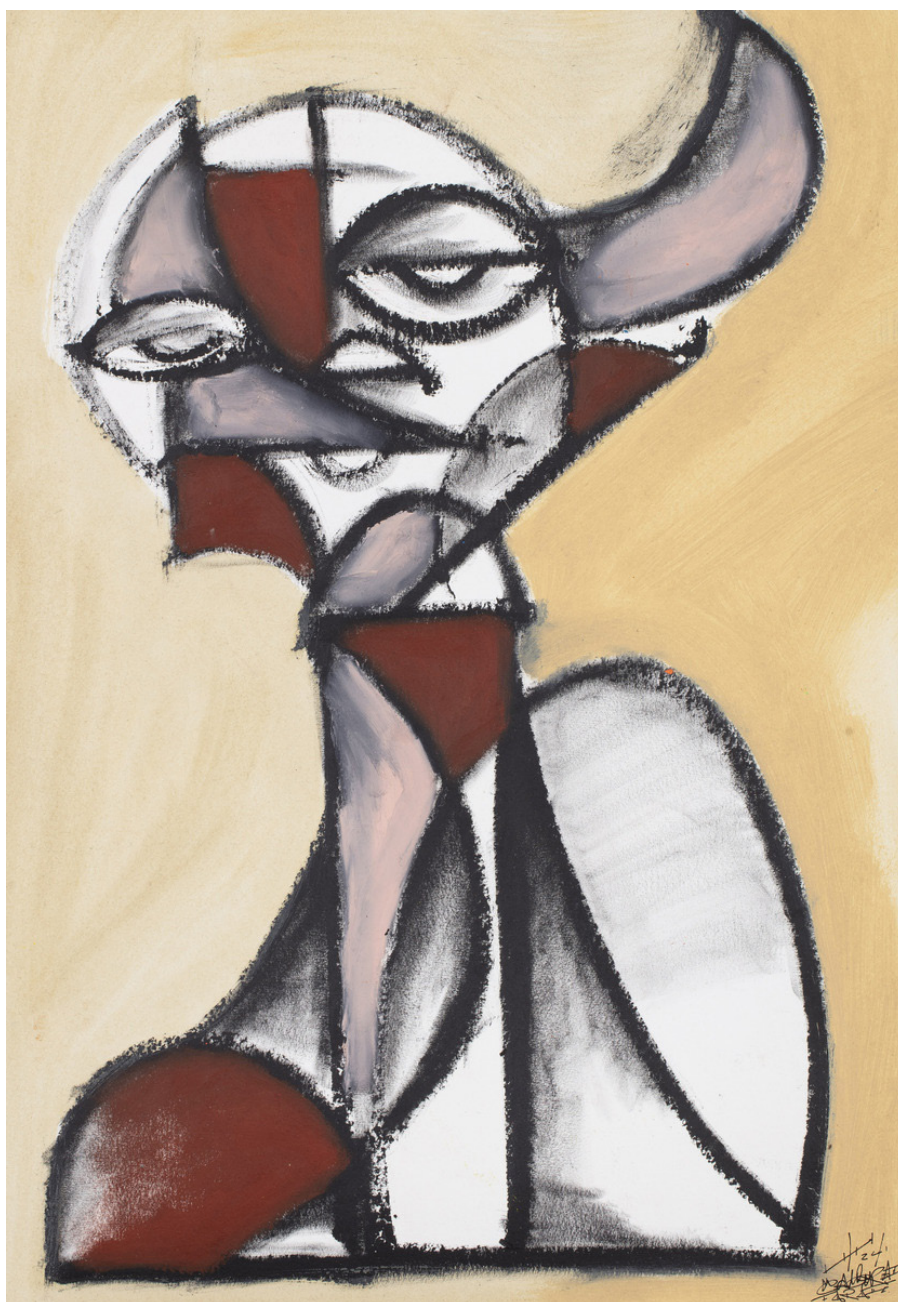
Acrylic paint, oil stick and gold leaf on watercolour paper

78 x 59 cm

Framed: 87 x 67 cm

\$ 3,333 / R 60,000

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SAMURAI FARAI  
*Ivory, 2024*

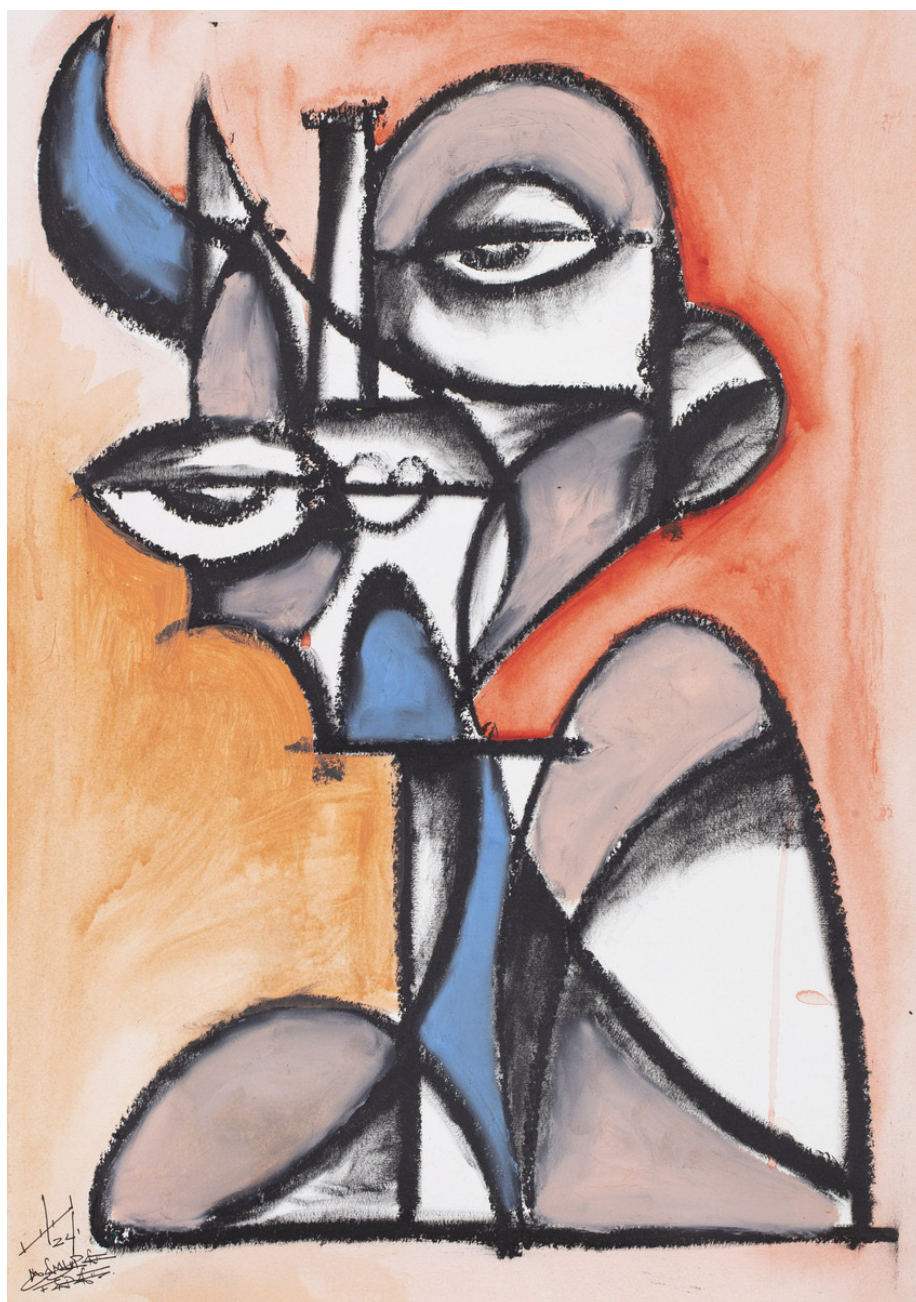
Acrylic paint and oil stick on watercolour paper

55 x 39.5 cm

Framed: 65.3 x 49 cm

\$ 2,111 / R 38,000

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*Kuzaliwa upya / Rebirth, 2024*

Acrylic paint and oil stick on watercolour paper

55 x 40 cm

Framed: 65 x 50 cm

\$ 2,150 / R 38,000



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*Magic and Memory / uchawi na kumbukumbu, 2024*

Acrylic paint, charcoal, oil stick on watercolour paper

125 x 95 cm

Framed: 137.7 x 111 cm

\$ 4,722 / R 85,000



SAMURAI FARAI  
*Mudzimu / The family ancestor, 2024*

Acrylic paint and oil stick on canvas  
 152.5 x 114 cm  
 Framed: 167.5 x 133.5 cm  
 \$ 6,700 / R 120,000



SAMURAI FARAI  
*Mwari, The Creator, 2024*

Oil stick, acrylic paint, Japanese ink and silver leaf on watercolour paper  
 125 x 106 cm  
 Framed: 135 x 113.5 cm  
 \$ 4,800 / R 86,000

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*Portrait of Self Discovery, 2024*

Oil stick and acrylic paint on Fabriano paper

78 x 66 cm

Framed: 92.5 x 81 cm

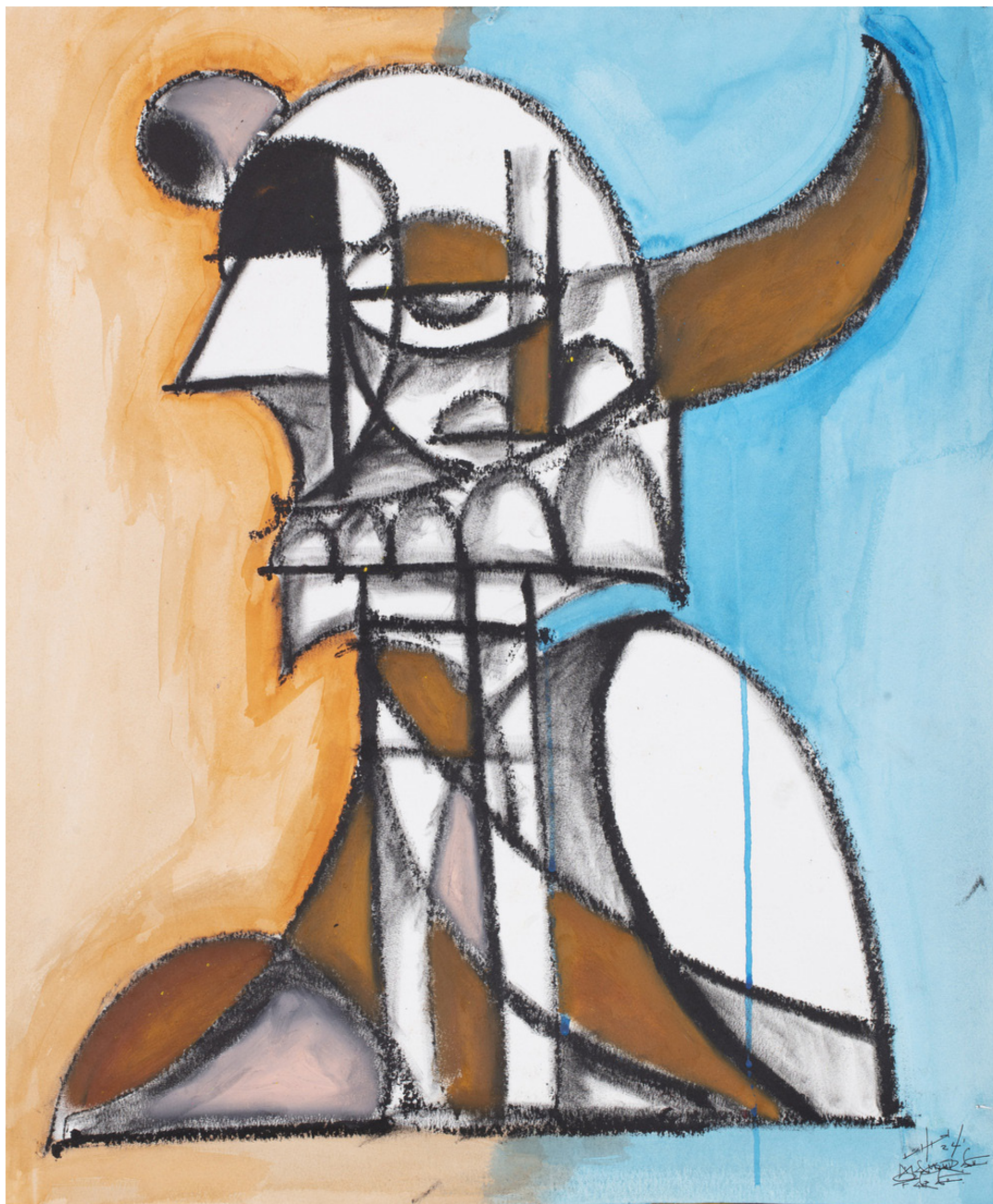
\$ 3,120 / R56,000



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*Songs of our forefathers, 2024*

Charcoal and acrylic paint on watercolour paper  
125 x 85 cm  
Framed: 135 x 91 cm  
\$ 4,300 / R 77,000

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SAMURAI FARAI  
*Sunrise rituals, 2024*

Oil stick and acrylic wash on watercolour paper  
56 x 46.5 cm  
Framed: 70 x 60 cm  
\$ 1,800 / R 32,000



SAMURAI FARAI  
*The identity of Time, 2024*

Acrylic paint and oil stick on Fabriano  
63 x 57 cm  
Framed: 80 x 71 cm  
\$ 2,650 / R 47,000



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*The Leisure of Mona Lisa / mke na ng'ombe, 2024*

Charcoal and acrylic wash on watercolour paper

124.5 x 128 cm

Framed: 142 x 138.5 cm

\$ 5,300 /R 95,000



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*The Colour of Destiny, 2024*

Wonder stone, hand painted with oil stick & acrylic  
32 x 15 x 13 cm  
\$ 4,200

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SAMURAI FARAI  
*Portrait of Elevation, 2024*

Oil stick and acrylic paint on Fabriano paper  
86 x 63.5 cm  
Framed: 100.5 x 76.5 cm  
\$ 3,250 / R58,000

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SAMURAI FARAI  
*Portrait of Elevation, 2024*

Archival Giclee Print  
64.5 x 49 cm  
\$ 170

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SAMURAI FARAI  
*Untitled 4, 2024*

3D printed and hand painted  
20 x 19.5 x 10 cm  
\$ 140 / R 2,500

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SAMURAI FARAI  
*Untitled 5, 2024*

3D printed and hand painted  
20 x 16 x 13.5 cm  
\$ 140 / R 2,500

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*Trophies, trinkets and treasures, 2024*

Acrylic paint, oil stick and gold leaf on Fabriano paper

81 x 63 cm

Framed: 92 x 72 cm

\$ 3,350



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*Rituals and pastimes, 2024*

Black ink and acrylic paint on watercolour paper

83 x 58 cm

Framed: 92 x 67.5 cm

\$ 3,100

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*Reflections, 2024*

Charcoal, acrylic paint, chalk pastel and gold leaf  
70 x 126 cm  
\$ 2,500



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*Negotiations, 2023*

Mixed media on watercolour paper  
149 x 127 cm  
\$ 5,600

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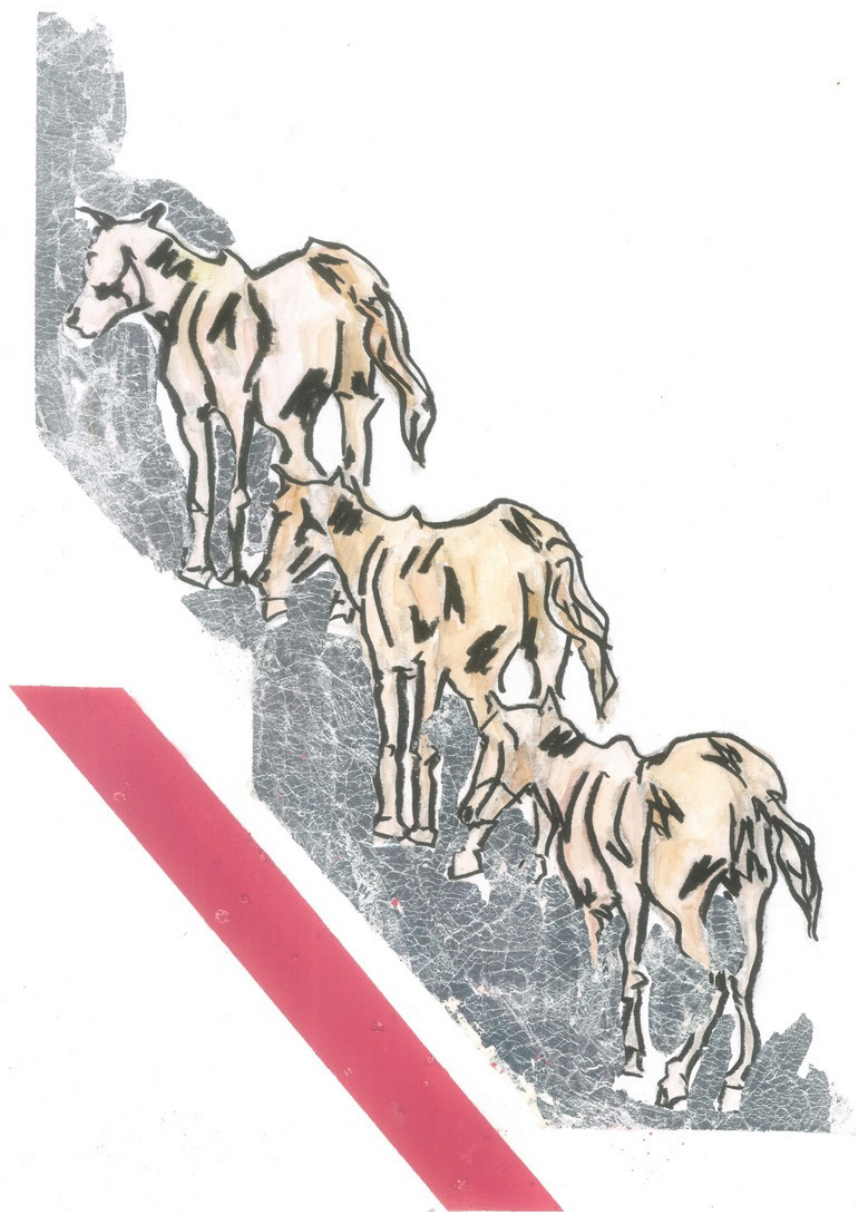
*Prayer, invocation & the appeal of salvation, 2025*

Charcoal, watercolour on paper

42 x 29.7 cm

\$ 1,825 / R 32,500

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*Earthy discussions about the divine, 2025*

Charcoal, water colour, silver leaf, acrylic paint on paper

42 x 29.7 cm

\$ 1,530 / R 27,500

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*Gemini, Custor & Pollux, 2025*

Charcoal on paper  
42 x 29.7 cm  
\$ 1,370 / R24,600

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Thinking, doing & the way of being in between both, 2025  
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*Thinking, doing & the way of being in between both, 2025*

Charcoal & water colour on paper

42 x 29.7 cm

\$ 1,530 / R 27,500

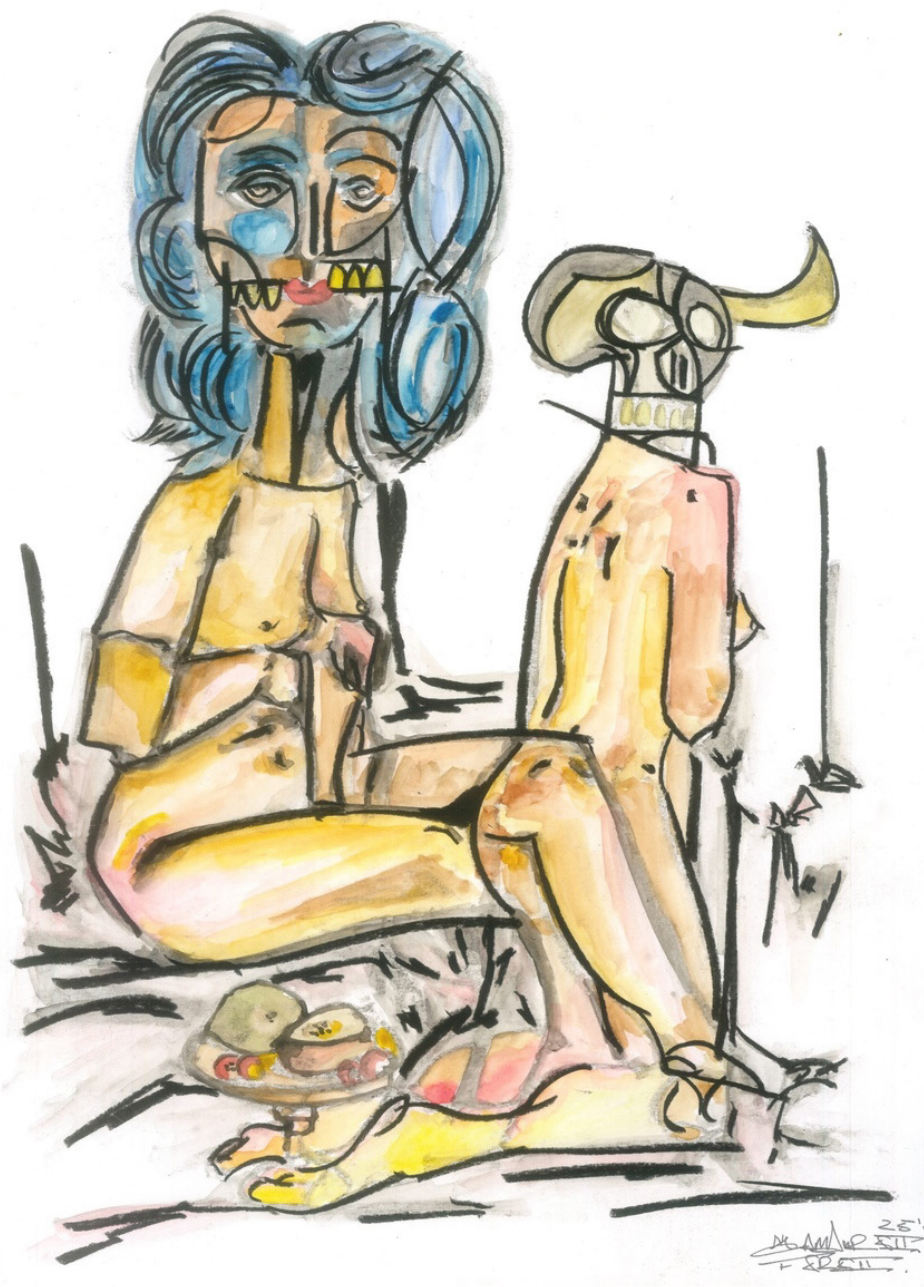
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*Love relinquishing its weapons, 2025*

Charcoal on paper  
42 x 29.7 cm  
\$ 1,375 / R24,600



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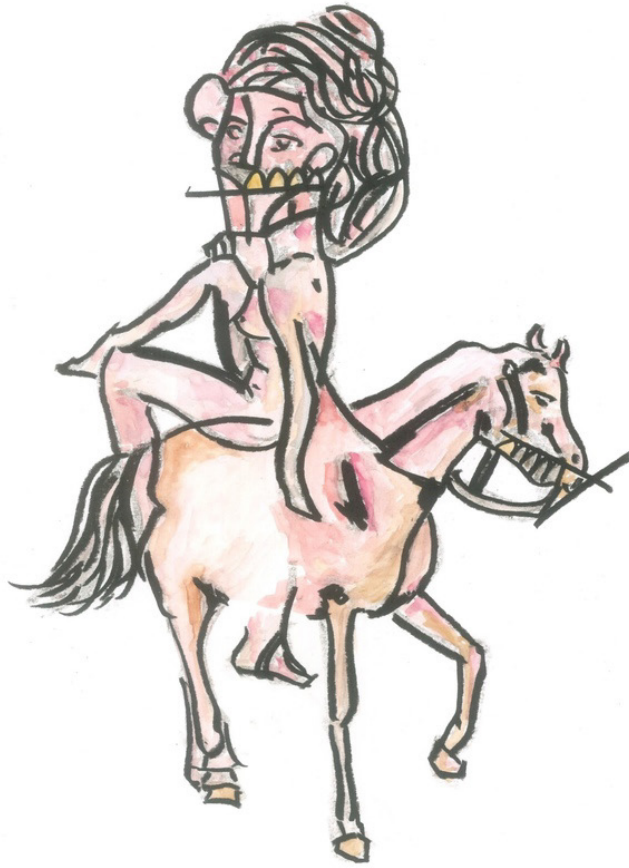
*Other names of flowers, evil, death & maidens, 2025*

Charcoal and watercolour on paper

42 x 29.7 cm

\$ 2,040 / R 36,500

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*The faithful collaborator, 2025*

Charcoal and watercolour on paper  
42 x 29.7 cm  
\$ 1,500 / R 27,000

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*It is only this, but it is all of this,*  
2025

Charcoal, watercolour on paper  
42 x 29.7 cm

\$ 1,575 / R 28,000



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*Love & it's many trophies, 2025*

Charcoal & water colour on paper

42 x 29.7 cm

\$ 1,367 / R 24,600



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*Untitled 6, 2024*

3D printed and hand painted  
20 x 16 x 9.8 cm  
\$ 140 / R2,500

No	Title	Year	Size	Unframed (USD)	Framed (USD)
1	African sculpture drawing #1	2025	77 L x 56 W	\$ 3,850	\$ 4,050
2	African sculpture drawing #2	2025	77 L x 56 W	\$ 3,850	\$ 4,050
3	African sculpture drawing #3	2025	77 L x 56 W	\$ 3,850	\$ 4,050
4	Feet (Earth)	2025	125 x 114 W	\$ 4,600	\$ 5,000
5	Hands (Heaven)	2025	125 L x 83 W	\$ 3,750	\$ 4,000
6	Floral disruptions	2025	126 L x 63 W	\$ 3,100	\$ 3,350
7	Botanical contemplation	2025	154 L x 102 W	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,450
8	An aquarian serenade in blue	2025	126 L x 106 W	\$ 3,850	\$ 4,200
9	Gold smile 3.0	2024	50 L x 35 W	\$ 1,825	\$ 1,950
10	Portrait of me as a bartender	2024	50 L x 35 W	\$ 1,675	\$ 1,825
11	Beige Orchestra	2023	70 L x 50 W	\$ 1,925	\$ 2,200
12	Body instrumental	2023	70 L x 50 W	\$ 1,925	\$ 2,200
13	Gold smile 1.0	2024	50 L x 35 W	\$ 1,825	\$ 1,950
14	Gold smile 2.0	2024	50 L x 35 W	\$ 1,825	\$ 1,950
15	Midsummer nights dream	2024	70 L x 50 W	\$ 2,150	\$ 2,350
16	Pastel boundaries	2024	50 L x 35 W	\$ 1,825	\$ 1,950
17	The problem with doubt is that it lies	2024	50 L x 35 W	\$ 2,150	\$ 2,350
18	African Bull after Picasso	2023	70 L x 100 W	\$ 2,150	\$ 2,350

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19	leisure, intimacy and connection	2023	70 L x 100 cm	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,650
20	The people selling flowers	2024	100 L x 70 cm	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,650
21	Soft embrace (blue hold)	2024	70 L x 100 cm	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,650
22	Conformity and confrontation (whilst being vulnerable)	2024	70 L x 100 cm	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,650
23	My brothers keeper Charcoal, acrylic	2024	70 L x 100 cm	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,650
24	Selective memory	2025	153 L x 123 W	\$ 3,850	\$ 4,050
25	Dancer	2024	150 L x 90 W	\$ 3,850	\$ 4,200
26	Coming to an understanding	2024	150 L x 83 W	\$ 3,850	\$ 4,200
27	Shallow waters and deep thoughts	2023	94 L x 149 W		
28	Meditations in purple	2024	112 L x 150 W		
29	The world and its chaos (study) // I need to tell you something// my 25th birthday party	2023	70 L x 100 W	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,650
30	Woman and bull in field	2023	70 L x 100 W	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,650
31	Yellow sun and Turquoise prayers	2025	155 L x 123 W	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,450
32	Amber contemplation over beige (Monochrome)	2023	70 L x 50 W	\$ 2,150	\$ 2,350
33	Self restraint as self love	2023	100 L x 70 W	\$ 2,150	\$ 2,350
34	The weight of the world part 1	2023	71 L x 99 W	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,650
35	A series of unadulterated events that lead to one thing or another	2023	70 L x 100 W	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,650
36	Pastel portrait of royalty	2025	82 L x 61 W	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,650