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'Deliberately Random'

DESPINA KATTAVENOS | DEBUT EXHIBITION











‘DELIBERATELY RANDOM’. FINDING BEAUTY IN THE UNEXPECTED

This debut exhibition is an eclectic collection of landscapes and still life paintings - things and scenes that have caught my eye and captured my heart in some way.

A collection of moments, colours and places that made me stop and look twice. It’s about finding something extraordinary in the ordinary, capturing those moments and expressing them through paint and colour.

Predominantly painted using soft chalk pastels, with a couple of acrylic paintings complementing the collection, my work embraces a loose, painterly style inspired by Impressionism.

I love exploring colour, texture and the feelings that emerge as I paint. Perhaps you might even see or feel a little of what I was experiencing in those moments.

Above all, I hope you find a little bit of joy in viewing these moments in time - and perhaps something that captures your heart, too.

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ARTIST STATEMENT

Born and raised in Perth to Greek migrant parents, I rediscovered my love of art in my mid-40s after years of juggling family life, work and everything in between.

A chance meeting with a fellow artist inspired me to dust off my old high school pastels and start creating again. With a little encouragement and honest feedback, I rediscovered the joy of making art.

I've always admired the Impressionists, particularly their use of colour, light and expressive brushstrokes. This continues to inspire my love of soft pastels and the beautiful textures they create.

I paint subjects that catch my eye or stir something within me. When I'm painting, everything else seems to disappear. It's just the subject, the pastels and the paper.

I still find it amazing how a blank piece of paper, a few layers of colour and a little blending can somehow become a painting. Sometimes I step back and wonder how on earth I created it!

I'm still learning, experimenting and seeing where art takes me.

For now, Deliberately Random is a collection of things that have caught my eye and captured my heart.

I hope something here resonates with you, too.



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“THE ROAD AHEAD”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
28.5cm x 40.5cm

$950



“STEP OF FAITH”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
20cm x 29cm

$150

“SUMMER FRESHNESS”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
28.5cm x 41cm

$750



“PEAR, ONE SIDE”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
14.5cm x 23cm

$150



“PEAR, OTHER SIDE”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
14.5cm x 23cm

$150





"FIRST IMPRESSIONS (JETTY IN DENMARK)"

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
28cm x 38cm

$550



"SECOND IMPRESSIONS (SAME JETTY IN DENMARK)"

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
28cm x 40cm

$550

"HYDRANGEA JOY #1"

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
23.5cm x 29cm

$350



"HYDRANGEA JOY #2"

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
23.5cm x 29cm

$350



"HYDRANGEA JOY #3"

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
23.5cm x 29cm

$350





“SOLO”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
30cm x 24cm

$500



“THREE’S A CROWD”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
30cm x 24cm

$500



“TWO’S COMPANY”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
30cm x 24cm

$500

ARTIST’S **FAVOURITE PIECE**



“FUTURE HOPE (JACARANDA #1)”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
41cm x 28.5cm

$300



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“HOPE BURSTING (JACARANDA #2)”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
41cm x 28.5cm

$300





“INTERPRETING WATER LILLIES”

Acrylic
Canvas
40cm x 50cm

$100



“FRESHWATER BAY”

Acrylic
Canvas
50cm x 40cm

$120

“DRINKS, ANYONE?”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
20cm x 28.5cm

$200



“DRINK, LESS”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
20cm x 28.5cm

$200





“STRUGGLING (ANOTHER JETTY IN DENMARK)”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
29cm x 25cm

$400



“LUNCH TIME VIEW”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
18.5cm x 24cm

$150

“SPHERE”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
28.5cm x 20cm

$100



“PAIRED UP”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
29cm x 23.5cm

$450



“BITE ME”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
29cm x 23cm

$600





“SERENITY (TREE GAZING IN YALLINGUP”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
38cm x 28.5cm

$300



“LATE NIGHT MUSINGS”

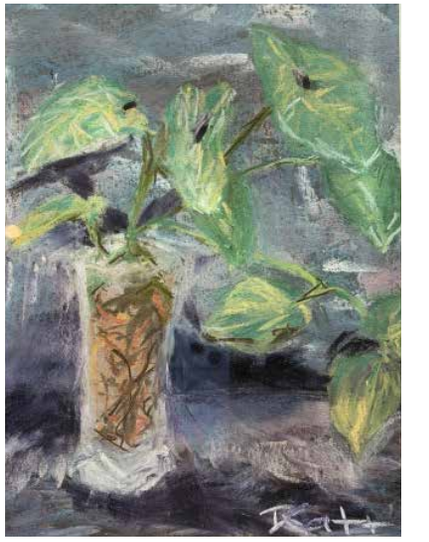
Soft chalk pastel
Framed
30cm x 24cm

$400

“KEPT ALIVE”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
20.5cm x 29.5cm

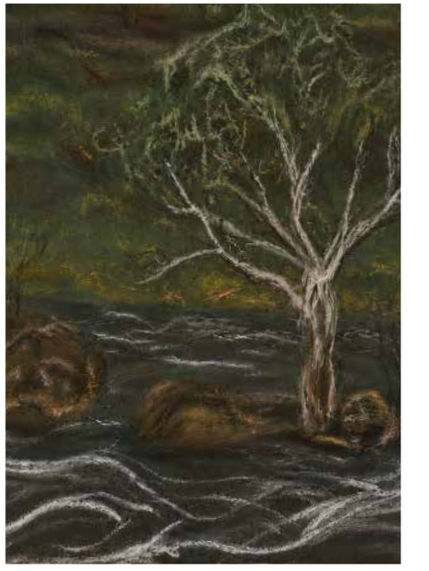
$150



“STORM’S COMING (BELLS RAPID)”

Soft chalk pastel
Framed
29cm x 39cm

$200



ABOUT THE PROGRAM

HHG Legal Group's Artists in Residence program was established during the pandemic to help support the Arts industry during a challenging time. Since the program began, we have welcomed over 12 exhibitions to our office, showcasing a diverse range of Western Australian artistic practice.

Held in HHG Legal Group's Perth CBD office, this program allows select artists to showcase their work across the client floor, with over 30 metres of hanging space.

Email art@hhg.com.au to find out more or express your interest in becoming a Resident.

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