



Joan Doerr  
*Views from a Sanctuary*  
8 May – 2 June 2021

&Gallery is pleased to present the exhibition *Views from a Sanctuary*. This is Joan Doerr's first solo show with the &Gallery and features a new body of work painted during the past year.

*"Abstraction is a reflection of one's emotions, of how one sees the world"*

Influenced by artists such as Cy Twombly and Prunella Clough, her work is characterised by gestural brushstrokes, mark making and spontaneity.

Joan's bold, expressive paintings are inspired by the shapes, textures and colours observed in the everyday and derived from her immediate surroundings. She works intuitively and instinctively, often applying and removing layers of paint and drawing; sometimes splattering, sometimes carefully reapplying the paint, and continuing the whole process until she is satisfied with their depth and atmosphere.

Joan was born in Glasgow. Her home studio is in Edinburgh's West End. Joan has exhibited widely across the UK, including the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition in London in 2014, 2016 and 2017.

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### EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 Views from a Sanctuary, Solo Show, &Gallery, Edinburgh  
4th Anniversary Exhibition, &Gallery, Edinburgh  
Tiny yet Mighty, &Gallery, Edinburgh
- 2020 The Royal Scottish Academy Annual Open Exhibition online
- 2019 SSA+VAS Open 2019, Royal Scottish Academy Building, Edinburgh  
On a Small Scale, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
Group Show at The Room, An Talla Solais, Ullapool  
Time Spent Amongst Trees: Society of Scottish Artists, Meffan Museum and Art Gallery, Forfar  
Palimpsest: Society of Scottish Artists, An Lanntair, Stornoway, Isle of Lewis  
Visual Arts Scotland Annual Exhibition, Royal Scottish Academy Building, Edinburgh  
Society of Scottish Artists Annual Exhibition, Royal Scottish Academy Building, Edinburgh
- 2018 Even More Alchemy, Tatha Galley, Newport-on-Tay, Fife  
On a Small Scale, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
The Royal Scottish Academy Annual Open Exhibition, Edinburgh  
Solo show, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
Group Show at The Room, An Talla Solais Gallery, Ullapool  
Open, SSA and VAS Together 2018, The Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh
- 2017 On a Small Scale, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
Edinburgh Art Fair - Tatha Gallery  
The Royal Glasgow Institute of the Fine Arts Annual Exhibition, The Mitchell Library (The City of Glasgow College Purchase Prize)  
More Alchemy, Tatha Gallery, Newport-on-Tay, Fife  
A New Chapter, Solo Show at House for an Art Lover Café Gallery, Bellahouston Park, Glasgow  
The Royal Scottish Academy Annual Open Exhibition, Edinburgh  
Royal Academy of Arts Summer Exhibition, Piccadilly, London  
Cause and Effect, Tatha Gallery, Newport-on-Tay, Fife
- 2016 Visual Arts Scotland FLY2016, The Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh  
On a Small Scale, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
The Royal Glasgow Institute of the Fine Arts Annual Exhibition, The Mitchell Library (House for an Art Lover Award)  
The Sunday Times Watercolour Competition, The Mall Galleries, London  
Society of Women Artists Annual Exhibition, The Mall Galleries, London  
Royal Academy of Arts Summer Exhibition, Piccadilly, London  
New English Art Club Annual Exhibition, The Mall Galleries, London  
Royal Society of British Artists Annual Exhibition, The Mall Galleries, London  
Visual Arts Scotland Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
35 Years of Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
Society of Scottish Artists Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh
- 2015 The Royal Scottish Academy Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
On a Small Scale, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
gallery twentythree, Pop-Up Exhibition by London based Form art Architects Ltd, Aldeburgh, Suffolk  
ING Discerning Eye Exhibition, The Mall Galleries, London  
Solo show, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
Macmillan Art Show, Bonhams (Auctioneers), Edinburgh  
Solo Show, And Collective Art Gallery, Bridge of Allan  
Mixed Summer Exhibition, Gallery Heinzl, Aberdeen

- Paisley Art Institute Annual Exhibition, Paisley Museum and Art Galleries, Paisley  
Mark Making for Macmillan, Union Square, Aberdeen  
The Royal Scottish Society of Painters in Watercolour 4th Open Annual Summer Exhibition, The Maclaurin Galleries, Ayr  
Visual Arts Scotland Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
RWS Contemporary Watercolour Competition Exhibition, Bankside Gallery, London
- 2014 Society of Scottish Artists Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
The Royal Scottish Academy Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
The Christmas Exhibition, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
On a Small Scale, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
Meffan Winter Exhibition, The Meffan Gallery, Fortar, Angus  
Christmas Show, Quercus Gallery, Bath  
ING Discerning Eye Exhibition, The Mall Galleries, London  
Group Show, La Galerie 1940, Edinburgh  
Macmillan Art Show, Bonhams Auctioneers), Edinburgh  
Fabric of the Land, Union Square, Aberdeen  
Royal Academy of Arts Summer Exhibition, Piccadilly, London  
Paisley Art Institute Annual Exhibition, Paisley Museum and Art Galleries, Paisley  
The Royal Scottish Society of Painters in Watercolour 3rd Open Annual Summer Exhibition, The Meffan Institute, Forfar  
Aberdeen Artists' Society Annual Exhibition, Aberdeen Art Gallery  
RWS Contemporary Watercolour Competition Exhibition, Bankside Gallery, London  
Out of the Blue, Quercus Gallery, Bath
- 2013 On a Small Scale, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
The Royal Scottish Academy Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
Macmillan Art Show, Bonhams (Auctioneers), Edinburgh  
ING Discerning Eye Exhibition, The Mall Galleries, London  
The Royal Glasgow Institute of the Fine Arts Annual Exhibition  
Assembling, Quercus Gallery, Bath  
Fabric of the Land (Art and Science Exhibition), Our Dynamic Earth, Edinburgh  
Fabric of the Land (Art and Science Exhibition), School of Geosciences, University of Aberdeen  
The Society of Women Artists 152nd Annual Exhibition, The Mall Galleries, London  
The Royal Scottish Society of Painters in Watercolour Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
Visual Arts Scotland Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh
- 2012 The Black and White Room, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
On a Small Scale, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
The Royal Scottish Academy Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
Summer Show, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
Paisley Art Institute 124th Annual Exhibition, Paisley Museum and Art Galleries, Paisley  
Society of Scottish Artists Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
The Royal Scottish Society of Painters in Watercolour Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh
- 2011 On a Small Scale, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
The Royal Scottish Academy Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
The Royal Glasgow Institute of the Fine Arts 150th Annual Exhibition  
Quartet, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
Aberdeen Artists' Society Annual Exhibition, Aberdeen Art Gallery  
Society of Scottish Artists Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh
- 2010 The Royal Scottish Academy Annual Exhibition, Edinburgh  
The Winter Show, Compass Gallery, Glasgow  
On a Small Scale, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh  
Abstract Matters, Open Eye Gallery, Edinburgh