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This series of work is about the natural environment and our current relationship to it. It is an ode to what we know and what we knew; a knowing that we are stewards of both. These heavily textured, mixed media landscape paintings reach for sources of light. Their unorthodox chromatic play invites the viewer to enter them both experientially and emotionally. The paintings represent present and future, and presence and absence at once. They allude to your feet being grounded a step before the picture plane, and yet the human figure is not within view. The quiet solitude presented is an offering of meditation and respect. It is a longing for connection and a call for symbiosis.



*Once and Always*, mixed media on canvas, 54 x 60 inches

Cover image: *Second nature*, mixed media on canvas, 60 x 60 inches





*The Shapes We Make II*, oil and acrylic on canvas, 60 x 54 inches

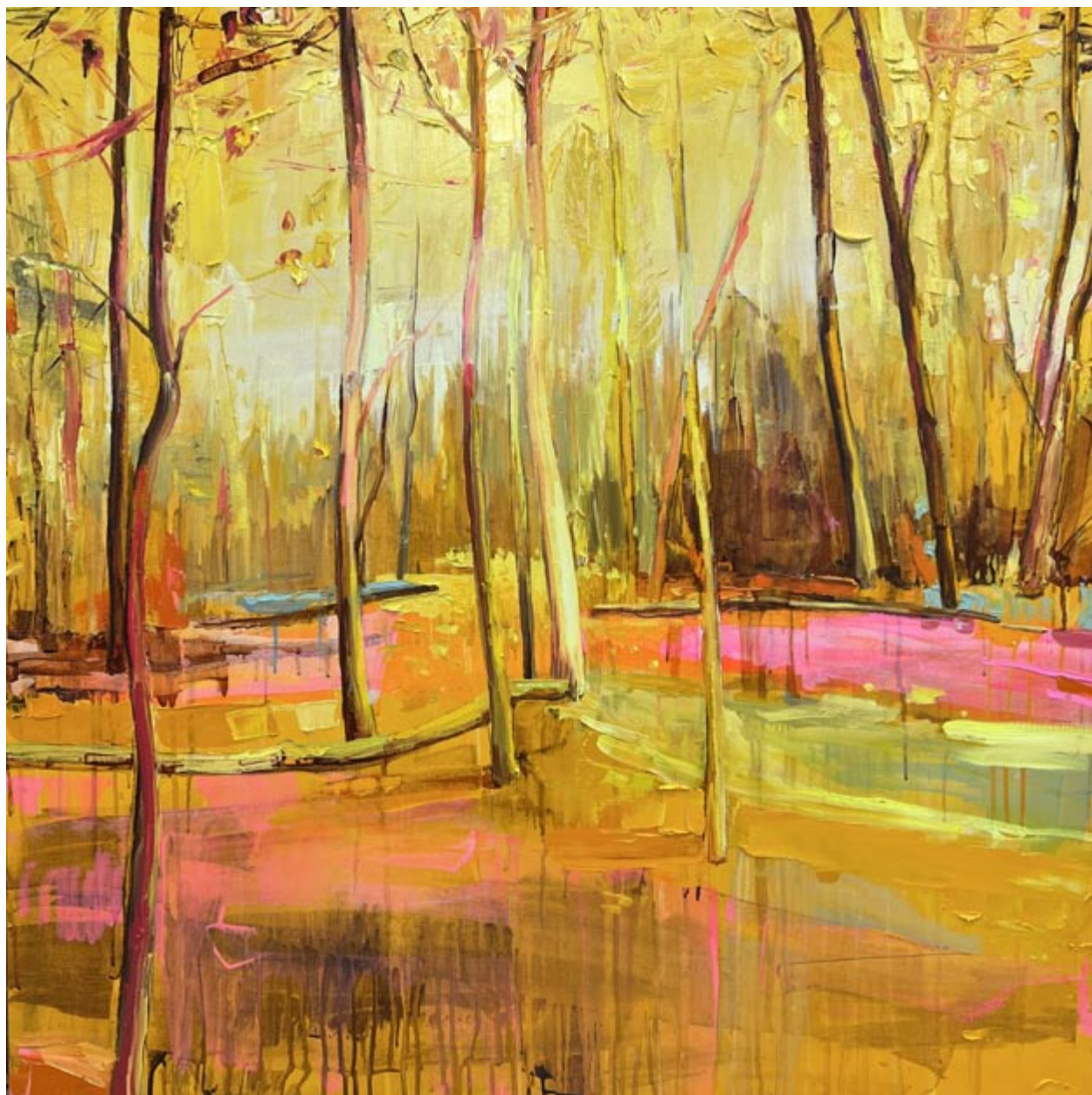


*Edges Fall*, mixed media on canvas, 24 x 24 inches



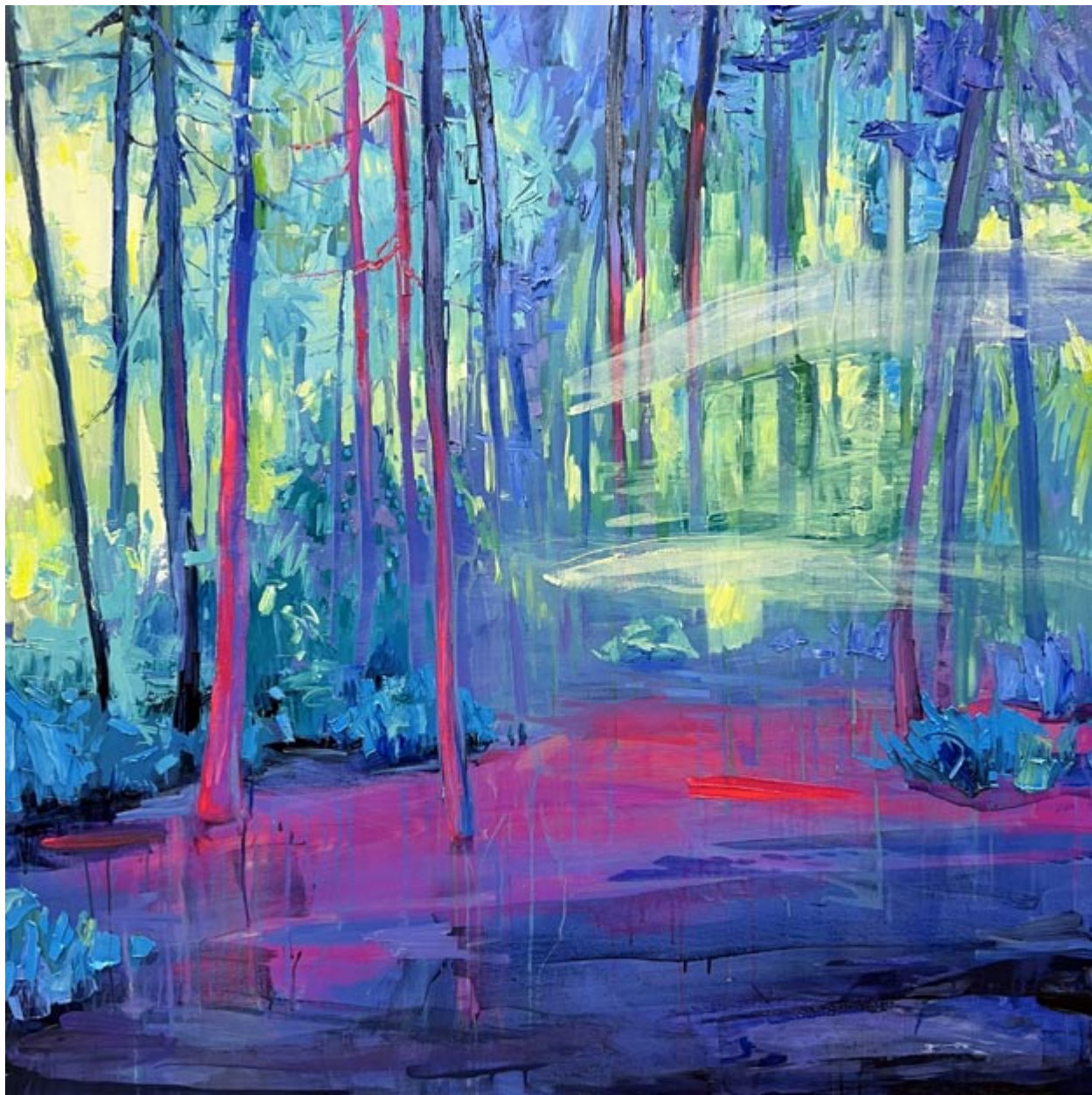


*Wandering Narrative*, mixed media on canvas, 48 x 48 inches



*Lit From Within*, mixed media on canvas, 40 x 40 inches



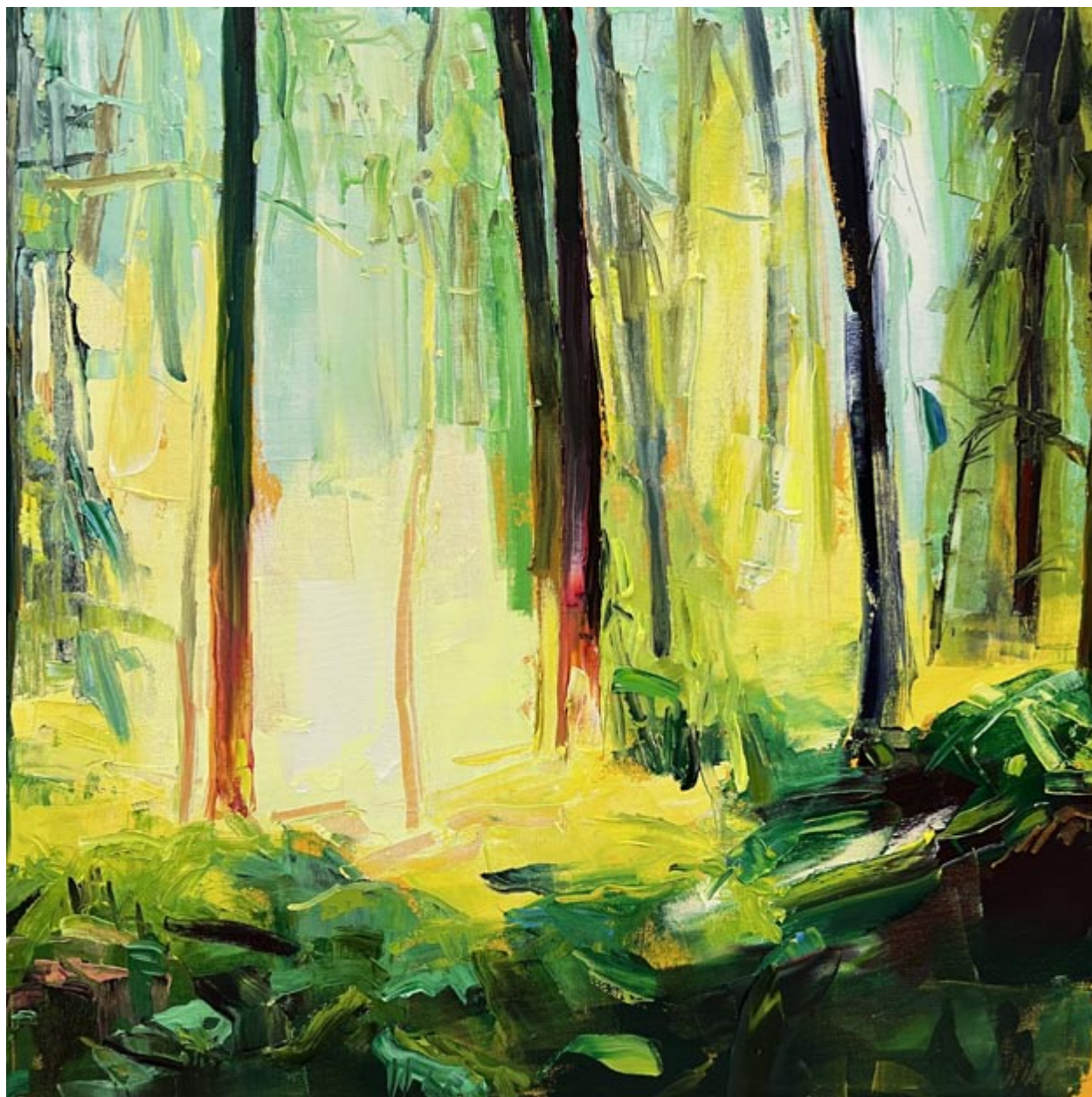


*Holographic Dreams*, mixed media on canvas, 48 x 48 inches



Clockwise from top left: *An Elegant Past*, *Archive of Happenstance*, *Awareness Emerges*, *Diamonds In Your Eyes*, oil on board, 12 x 12 inches each





*Morning Transit*, mixed media on canvas, 24 x 24 inches



Clockwise from top left: *Night Vision Love Story*, *Struck II*, *The Significance of Having Known You, Time and Again*, oil on board, 12 x 12 inches each





*All Views a Mirror*, mixed media on canvas, 40 x 40 inches



*The Signature of All Things*, mixed media on canvas, 40 x 40 inches





*Landing Sound*, mixed media on canvas, 40 x 40 inches



*A Wish at a Turn*, mixed media on canvas, 54 x 54 inches





*Multitudes Softly*, mixed media on canvas, 54 x 54 inches



*A Wish at a Turn*, mixed media on canvas, 54 x 54 inches





*It Shines On*, mixed media on canvas, 36 x 36 inches



Clockwise from top left: *Struck I*, *Reminiscent Traces*, *Perspective on Impact*, *Pass from Sight*, oil on board, 12 x 12 inches each





*It Shines On*, mixed media on canvas, 36 x 36 inches



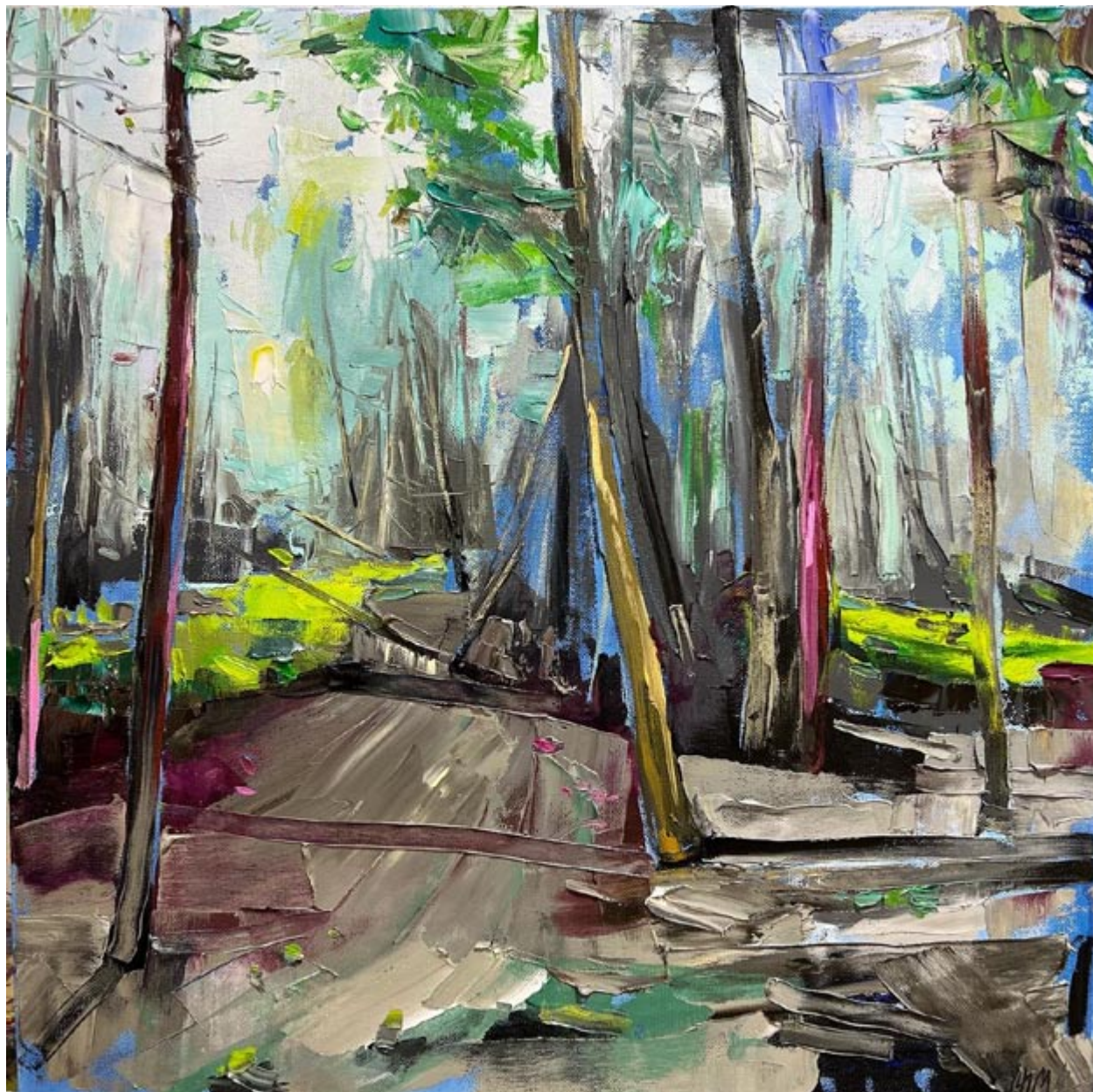
*Just Where You Wanted*, mixed media on canvas, 24 x 24 inches each





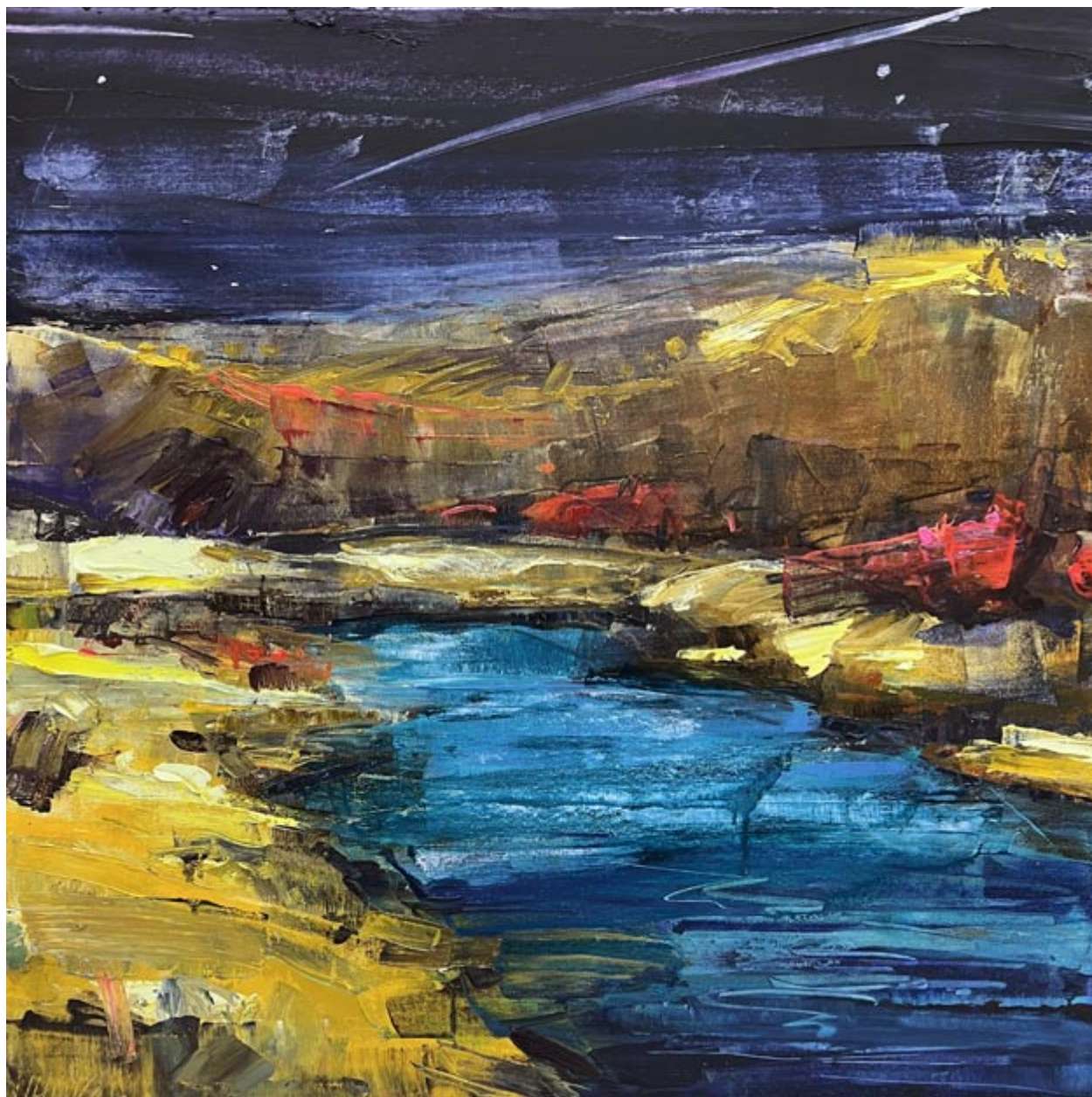
*Stagelight*, mixed media on canvas, 24 x 24 inches





*Unlikely Meridian*, mixed media on canvas, 24 x 24 inches each





*Where We Go To Fall*, mixed media on canvas, 24 x 24 inches

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## Education

- 2006-07 Graduate Diploma in Studio Art, Toronto School of Art, Toronto, ON
- 1999-00 Diploma of Interactive Media, Graphic and Web Design and Programming,  
Applied Multimedia, Calgary, AB
- 1997-98 Visiting Student – Faculty of Fine Arts, The University of Calgary, Calgary, AB
- 1996-98 Bachelor of Fine Arts Honors Degree, Drawing, York University, Toronto, ON
- 1994-96 Diploma of Fine Arts, Painting, Langara College, Vancouver, BC

## Solo and Two-Person Exhibitions

- 2023 'Second Nature,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA  
'Found (connection to land and home),' James Baird Gallery, Pouch Cove, NL
- 2022 'Summer Feature,' Oeno Gallery, Bloomfield, ON  
'In This Light,' Stremmel Gallery, Reno, NV
- 2021 'Dialogue in Light,' Ian Tan Gallery, Vancouver, BC  
'Broken Beautiful,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA  
Ian Tan Gallery, Vancouver, BC  
'Trailing Perceptions,' Corner Gallery, Haliburton, ON
- 2020 'Field Notes,' Wall Space Gallery, Ottawa, ON
- 2019 'Sedimentary,' with Sarah Winkler, Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2018 'Documented Shifts,' Blue Crow Gallery, Toronto, ON  
'Portals,' with Jo Lomas, Quest Art Gallery, Midland, ON
- 2017 'Within Definition,' Blue Crow Gallery, Toronto, ON  
'Selected Paintings: Guest Artist,' Abbozzo Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2016 'A Fleeting Presence,' with Brian Harvey, Wall Space Gallery, Ottawa, ON
- 2014 'Shedding Light,' Marlow Gallery, Barrie, ON  
'Seeing Light,' with Sandy Middleton, Red Brick Cafe, Hamilton, ON
- 2012 'Featuring Julie Himel,' Tay Gallery, Ottawa, ON

## Group Exhibitions

- 2023 20th Anniversary Summer Group Show, Oeno Gallery, Bloomfield, ON  
Long Island City Studio's Annual, Long Island City Studio, New York, NY  
Reno International Art Fair, Stremmel Gallery, Reno, NV  
June Group Exhibition, Stremmel Gallery, Reno, NV
- 2022 'Elements: Water,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA  
'Small Gifts, Big Ideas,' Oeno Gallery, Bloomfield, ON



2021 'The Sun Touches Everything,' curated by Danielle Winger, Tyger Tyger Gallery, Asheville, NC  
 'The Era of Change', The Visionary Projects, New York, NY  
 'TD Thor Wealth Management Juried Exhibition: Quest for the Environment', Quest Art, Midland, ON  
 'Hedges and Houses and Mothers and Children', I Like Your Work podcast, curated by PennyLane Shen  
 'Landscape Group Exhibition', Pouch Cove Foundation, NL  
 'Elements: Fire,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA  
 'Small Spaces, Big Ideas,' Oeno Gallery, Bloomfield, ON  
 2020 'Taylor Statten Camp Bursary Fund Annual Exhibition', Toronto, ON  
 'Here, There and Elsewhere', Visionary Art Collective, curated by Svitlana Martynjuk, New York, NY  
 'Congruence', I Like Your Work podcast, Bridgette Mayer Gallery, Philadelphia, PA  
 'Earth' Annual Thematic Show, Foster/White, Seattle, WA  
 'Summer', Oeno Gallery, Bloomfield, Prince Edward County, ON  
 'Spring Finds', Oeno Gallery, Bloomfield, Prince Edward County, ON  
 Group Show, Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA  
 2019 'Summer Array,' Oeno Gallery, Bloomfield, ON  
 'Canadian Landscape,' The Pouch Cove Foundation, Pouch Cove, NL  
 'Small Walls. Big Ideas.,' Oeno Gallery, Bloomfield, ON  
 2018-19 'Small Pictures Show,' Elissa Cristall Gallery, Vancouver, BC  
 2018 'Impressions: Midsummer Group Show,' Maison Depoivre, Picton, ON  
 'Rewind. Replay.,' Wall Space Gallery, Ottawa, ON  
 'Northern Tendencies,' Propeller Gallery, Toronto, ON  
 'Winter Group Exhibition,' Gallery on Queen, Fredericton, NB  
 'The Painting Exhibition,' Jayne Creighton Design, Calgary, AB  
 'Summer Landscape Group Show,' Studio 21, Halifax, NS  
 2017 'Unicorn Dreams,' Jayne Creighton Design, Calgary, AB  
 'Daydreamers,' Jayne Creighton Design, Calgary, AB  
 'Square Foot,' Julia Veenstra Studios, Hamilton, ON  
 'Perspectives: Fall Landscape Show,' Paula White Diamond Gallery, Waterloo, ON  
 'Well One: The Well Collective's Inaugural Exhibition,' Arta Gallery, Toronto, ON  
 'New and Review,' Wall Space Gallery, Ottawa, ON  
 'New and Noteworthy,' Wall Space Gallery, Ottawa, ON  
 2016-17 'Holiday Art Show: Festival of Smalls,' East Liberty Gallery, Toronto, ON  
 2016 'Introduction,' Shane Norrie Contemporary, Stratford, ON  
 'A Retrospective of New Work,' Elevation Gallery, Canmore, AB  
 'Square Foot Show,' Julia Veenstra Studios, Hamilton, ON  
 2015 'Love Art Fair,' with MJG Gallery, Better Living Centre, Toronto, ON

- 'Distant Roadside,' MJG Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 'Into the Woods,' Juried exhibition at Quest Art Gallery, Midland, ON
- 'Square Foot Show,' Julia Veenstra Studios, Hamilton, ON
- 'Interior Design Show,' with MJG Gallery, Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto, ON
- 2014 'Gluckstein Princess Margaret Dream Home,' Oakville dream home, Oakville, ON
- 'Square Foot Show,' Julia Veenstra Studios, Hamilton, ON

#### Publications

- 2023 "Meet Julie Himel," Canvas Rebel Magazine, January
- 2022 Hess, Erica, "Psychology of the Landscape: Julie Himel," I Like Your Work: Conversations with Artists, Curators, and Collectors, April 15
- 2020 'Environments Unchanged,' Visionary Art Collective Interview, New York, NY
- Artdose Talks with Julie Himel, Frank Juarez Gallery, Milwaukee, WI
- "Full Chroma with Julie Himel," Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA
- Hess, Erica, "Studio Visit with Julie Himel," I Like Your Work: Conversations with Artists, Curators, and Collectors
- 2015 Himel, Julie, "Seductive Quality of Light and Paint," Life as a Human, February 27

#### Public and Corporate Collections

- Applied Printing, Toronto, ON
- Armenian Community Centre, Toronto, ON
- Blizzard Communications, Calgary, AB
- Calgary Civic Art Collection, North Mount Pleasant Art Centre, Calgary, AB
- Elliot Lake Centre, Elliot Lake, ON
- Fistar International, Hong Kong, China
- Gracious Living Toronto, Toronto, ON
- Grand River Toys, Toronto, ON
- Succession Capital Corporation, Toronto, ON
- The University of Calgary, Scurfield Hall, Calgary, AB
- Westfield Lake College Foundation, Westfield, MA
- WSI Signs, Toronto, ON

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