

Jelena Telecki

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Posing, peering, perching, pondering, and posturing.

The artists, gimps, aristocrats, lovers, and anonymous individuals found in this selection of Jelena Telecki paintings, crafted with a masterful manoeuvring of oils, stretch across the past five years of production. Connected by an overarching atmosphere, though in some cases years apart, the feeling each work possesses is a constant. Exploring a kind of absurdity fused with both the personal and political, the cinematic greys and sepia tones associated with the Eastern Bloc — Telecki's place of birth — run throughout each painting. But Telecki's works seem to sit closer to the stage than film, between Beckett and Ionesco's individual takes on the Theatre of the Absurd and Artaud's Theatre of Cruelty; themes of black humour, abstraction, and extremity are played out in differing acts or scenes as part of a larger play whose duration continues to extend.

Presenting this cross-section of recent works shows the constant contained within Telecki's larger play — the aforementioned feeling, with the individual narratives of each act (painting) highlighting key points of reference or concern for the artist: from a pleasurable release, overthinking, or feeling a state of unease, to being a poor party guest. These figures play their roles in an unassuming way, not overly apparent, yet richly gesturing to something more holistic and grand.



Jelena Telecki
All the Apologies, 2021
Oil on canvas
81h x 97w cm
NZD \$10,000 (incl. GST)



Jelena Telecki
Model's Artist, 2020
Oil on linen
74h x 73.5w cm
NZD \$7,500 (incl. GST)



Jelena Telecki
Boomers' Bed, 2023
Oil on canvas
112h x 140w cm
NZD \$13,500 (incl. GST)

Jelena Telecki
Almost, 2021
Oil on linen
102h x 84.50w cm
NZD \$10,000 (incl. GST)





Jelena Telecki
Expecting Couple, 2024
Oil on canvas
131h x 146w cm
NZD \$15,500 (incl. GST)



Jelena Telecki
Party Trick 11, 2024
Oil on canvas
140h x 110w cm
NZD \$13,500 (incl. GST)

Jelena Telecki
Vessel, 2024
Oil on canvas
145h x 120w cm
NZD \$15,500 (incl. GST)



Jelena Telecki
Mistake, 2021
Oil on linen
154h x 137w cm
NZD \$15,500 (incl. GST)





Jelena Telecki
Top Hats, 2024
Oil on polyester
75h x 169w cm
NZD \$12,000 (incl. GST)

Jelena Telecki
Gimpsuit Love is Gold, 2016
Oil on canvas
73h x 62w cm
NZD \$8,000 (incl. GST)

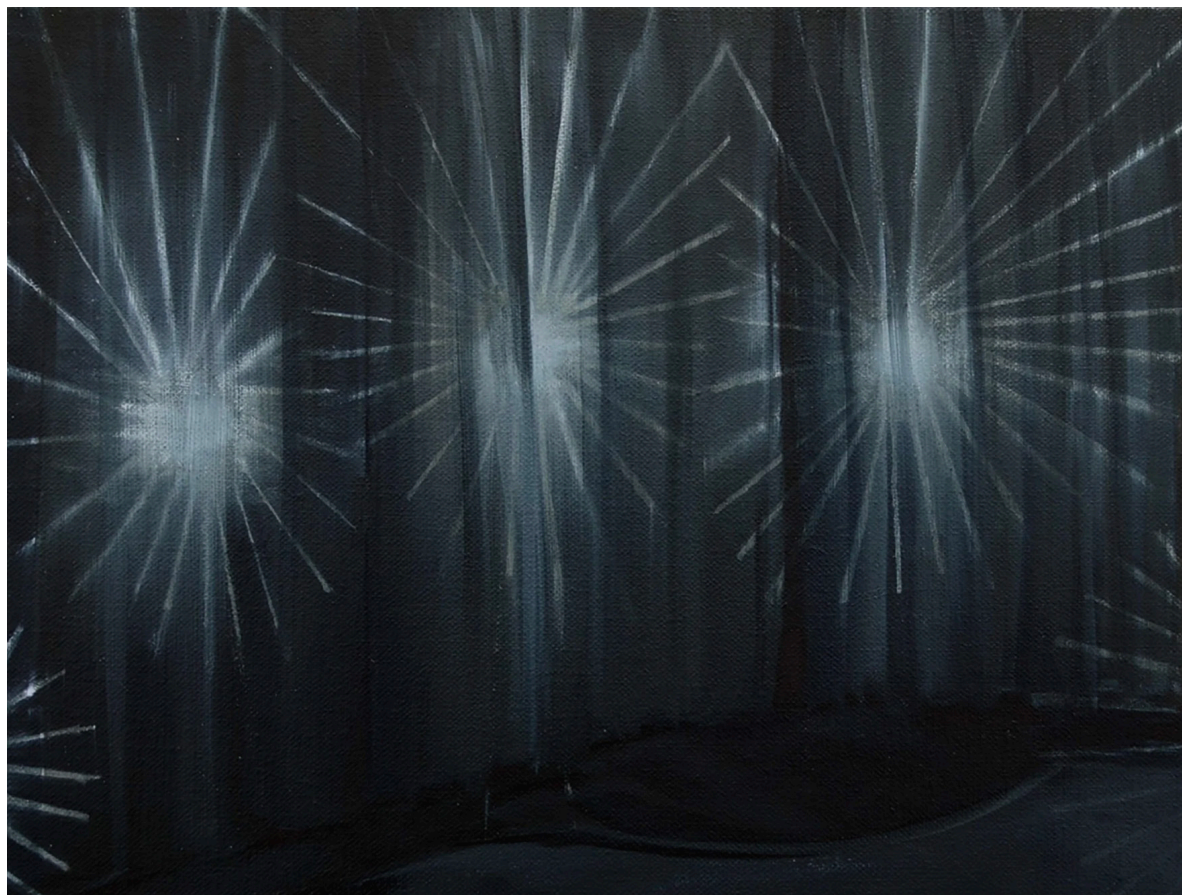


Jelena Telecki
Sculptor, 2024
Oil on polyester
130h x 119w cm
NZD \$12,000 (incl. GST)



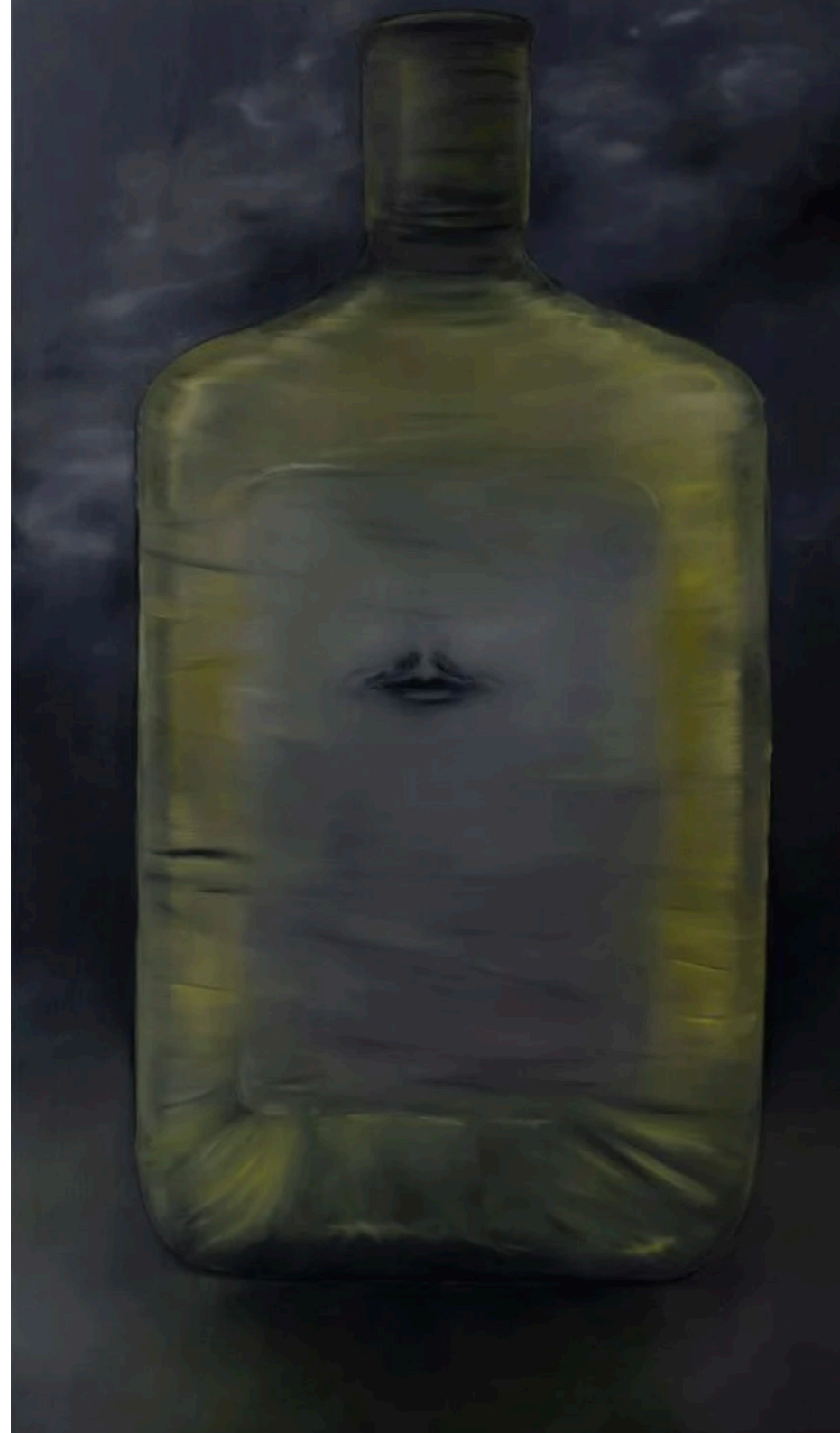


Jelena Telecki
NURSE100, 2024
Graphite on polyester on board
30.5h x 40.5w cm
NZD \$3,500 (incl. GST)



Jelena Telecki
Logo 1 (Stage), 2014
Oil on linen
33h x 46w cm
NZD \$3,500 (incl. GST)

Jelena Telecki
Whiskey Sour, 2021
Oil on polyester
168h x 97w cm
NZD \$15,500 (incl. GST)





Jelena Telecki
Girlfriends, 2024
Oil on polyester
108h x 71w cm
NZD \$10,000 (incl. GST)