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NATURE OF LOOKING

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The landscape is in fragments. Tree, sky, sun, water, and concrete. The fragmented form sets the motion of the series, mimicking the involuntary movement of the eye. Each one is a reminder of a place, sometimes oddly specific, others a common encounter. It is in this instance of looking that the ordinary is given attention. Strokes, drips, and splashes resemble nature's pattern of growth and decay. The strength of color likens to the stronghold of emotion, to the warm feeling of remembering.

Gia Luistro treats painting as an exercise of looking – both inside and outside – to make sense of impulses and inclinations. A feeling of resonance appears in encounters of sprawling forms and swirling movements in nature. It seems to be a portal that connects the past to the present, a muscle memory formed by looking and living within raw wooden walls and eroding concrete. Home has become more of a place within; a location that is abstract and mobile through one's own pattern of movement. Here, a tree alludes to a house, and a window is a metaphor to the habit of looking.



Tenderness of Time, Oil and acrylic on canvas, 122 x 183 cm, 2024.





(On the cover) Oil and acrylic on canvas 122 x 183 cm 2024





Oil on canvas 122 x 152.4 cm 2024



Acrylic on canvas 152.4 x 122 cm 2024

LOOKING AT A TREE STUMP



Acrylic on canvas 183 x 122 cm 2024

GAZING AT THE SUNSET



Oil on canvas 183 x 152.5 cm 2024



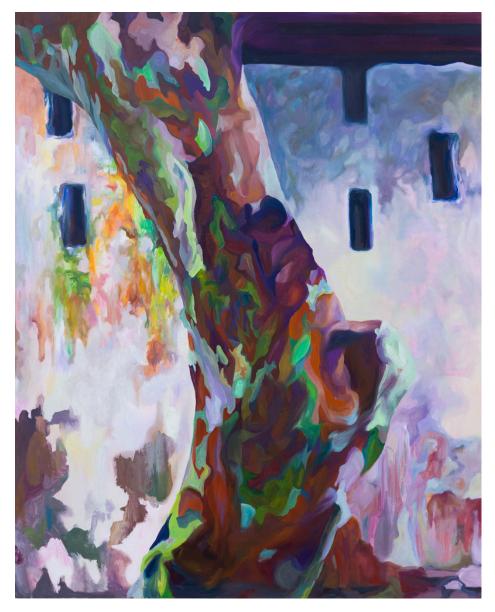
Oil and acrylic on canvas 152.4 x 122 cm 2024

PAINT AS WATER, MARKS AS FLOW

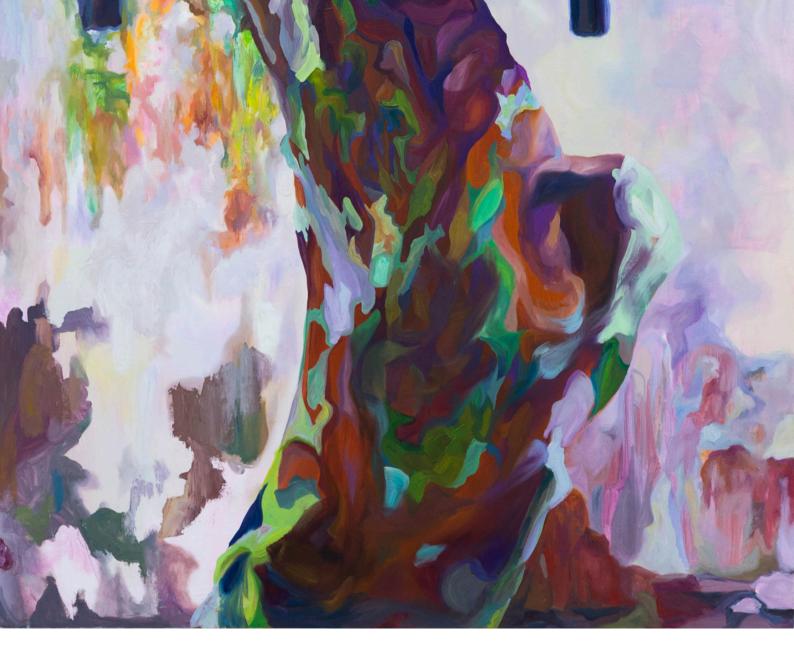


Oil on canvas 183 x 121.6 cm 2024

A RIVER ONCE STOOD

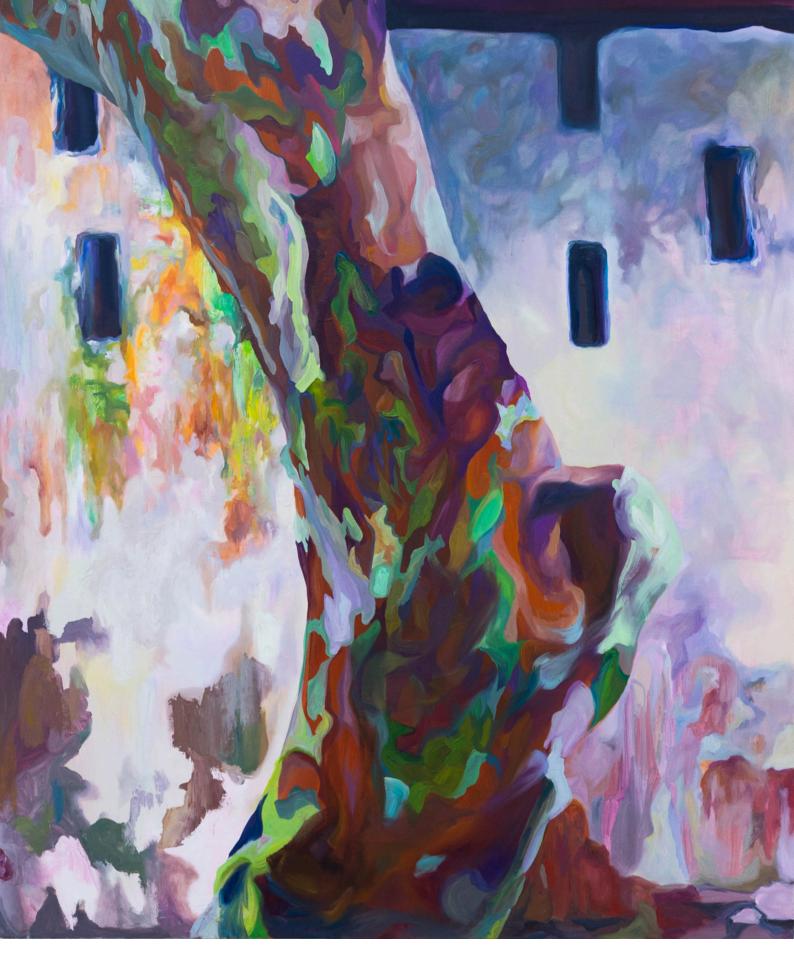


(On back cover) Oil on canvas 152.4 x 122 cm 2024



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