

About Flourish



Flourish House is a mental health recovery community. Based on the International Clubhouse movement, we help people to build meaningful relationships through meaningful activity. As a community, we help each other to gain a sense of well-being and recover confidence.

Our vision is to live in a society where people who have mental health difficulties are valued as neighbours, colleagues and friends.

Flourish Artists

The Art Group at Flourish House is a space for members to relax and express themselves. Over the pandemic, this community of artists have been working together over zoom trying new approaches and techniques.

A creative practice and outlet has been very important for many people during the pandemic.

During the lockdowns the art group met online to share skills, connect, create with, and support each other.

Much of the work was shared in their monthly mail out to members to brighten the harder days.

Now we're able to meet again in person we' d like to share what we made during the lockdowns with the wider Glasgow community.



Ntists

Neil Patterson James Smith Graham McGivern Angela McEwan **Fiona Donald Baljinder Purba** Lorna Carlisle **Audrey Hunter Tony Kelly Janette Adams Julie** Liu Ann Hope Ameena Zafar William Spiers Paul White Anna Rogers Michael McFadden **Becky Male** Peter Faulkner Andrew Garrow Margaret Jackson





Flower Of Scotland Neil Patterson 2021



Heart and Soul Neil Patterson 2021

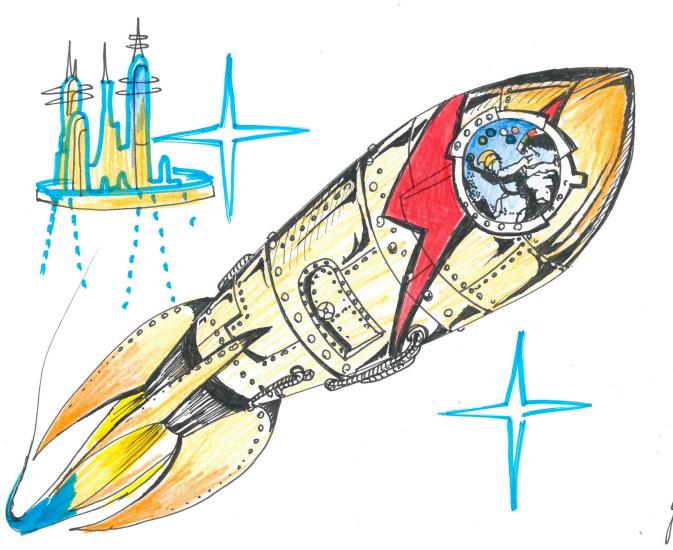
Neil



Light At the End Of The Tunnel Neil Patterson 2020



James Smith Battle of Langside, 2021 Made to illustrate the life of Mary Queens of Scots written by Jean G for 'In the Flo'



James Smith Rocket Man 2020 2020

Made during an expressive drawing zoom listening to the Flash Gordon soundtrack..

James On Art In Lockdown and Life

Art helped me through a difficult time and helped me stay focused. It's given me a sense of purpose and reason to get up in the morning

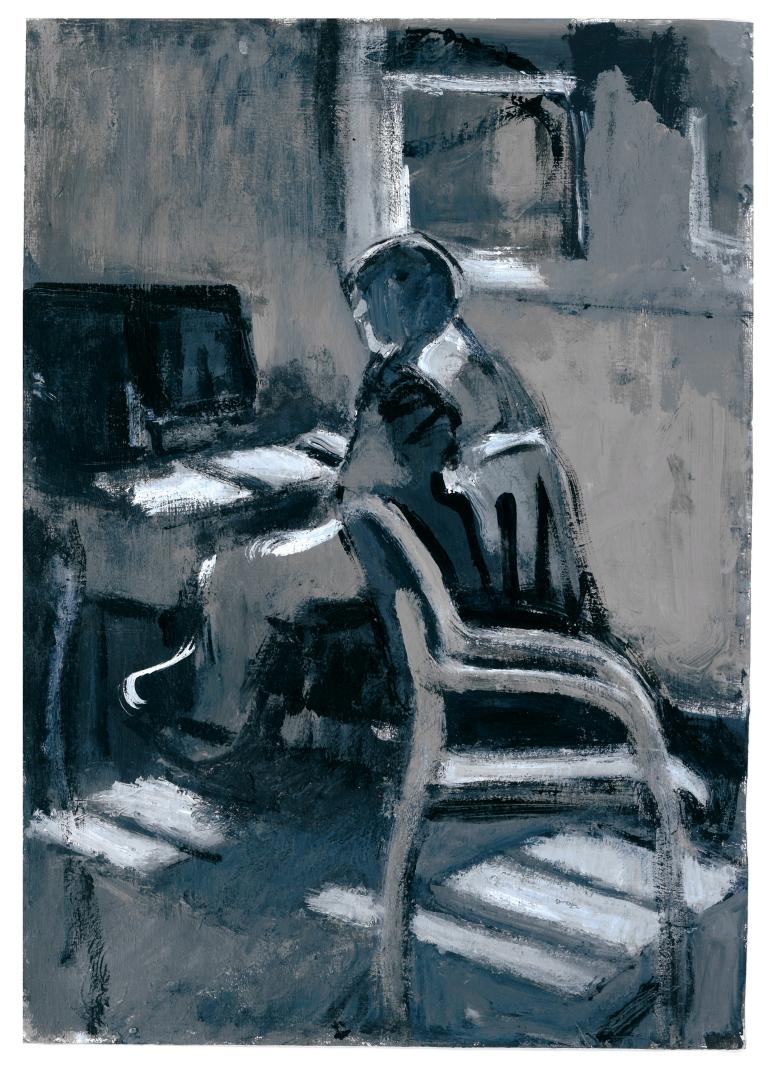
I started to feel like an artist and really progress about 40 years ago this was when I started to draw people and faces.

My favourite thing about being an artist is drawing images on paper and using colour to create something that is personal to me.

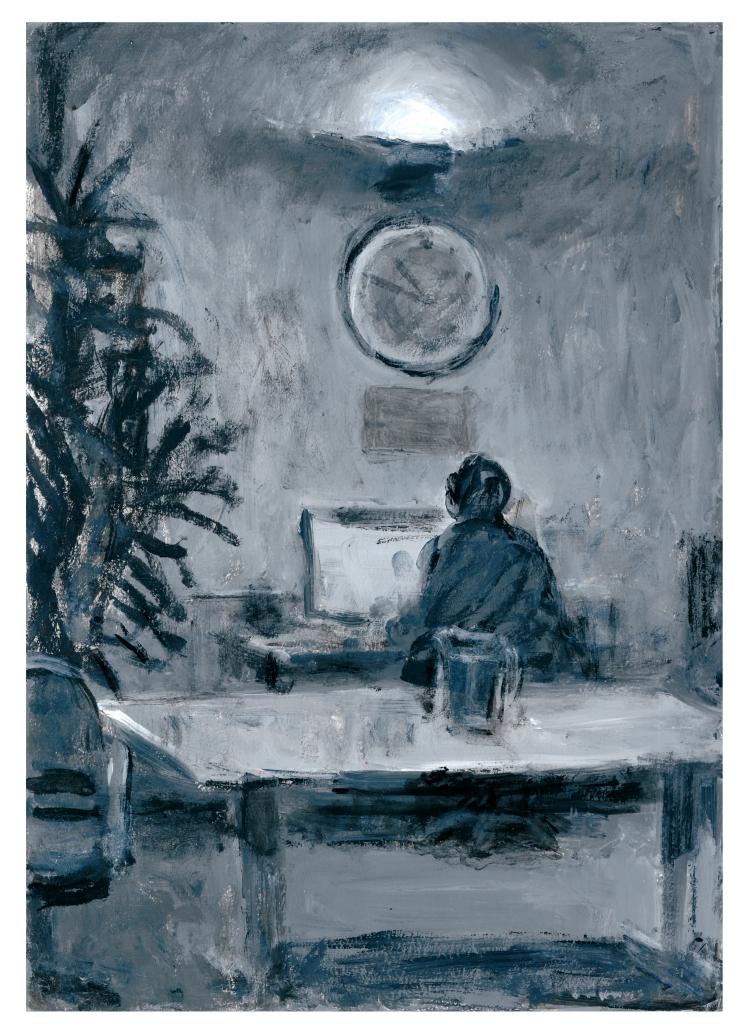




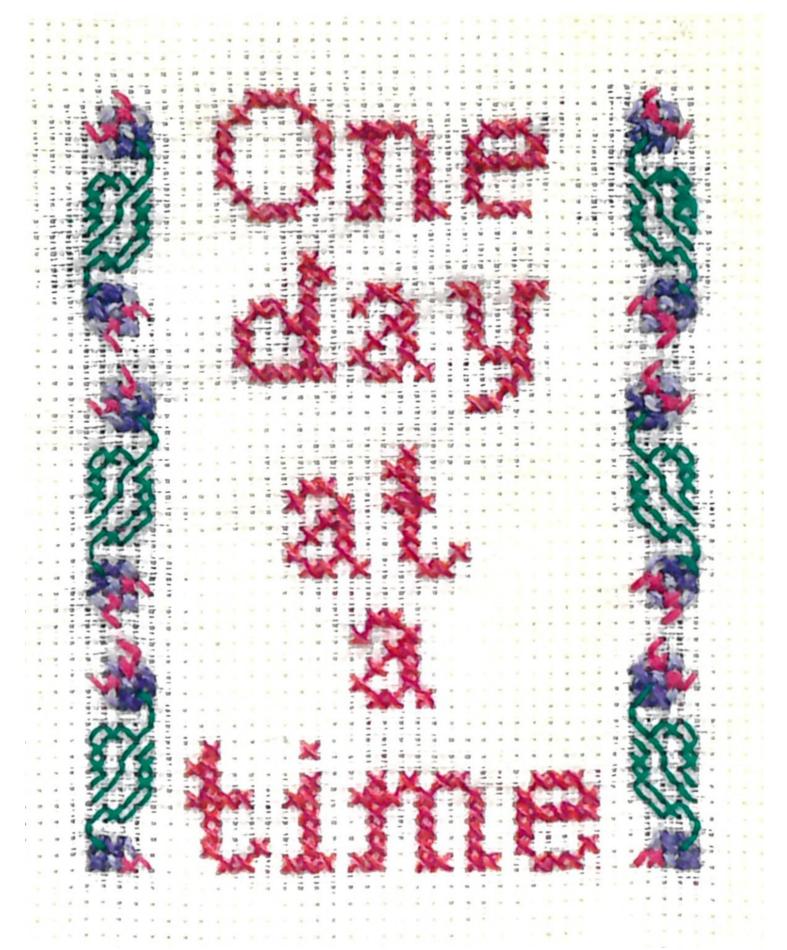
Graham McGivern - Figure By The Window



Graham McGivern - Light Study



Graham McGivern - Drop In



One Day At A Time Angela Mcewan Cross Stitch 2021



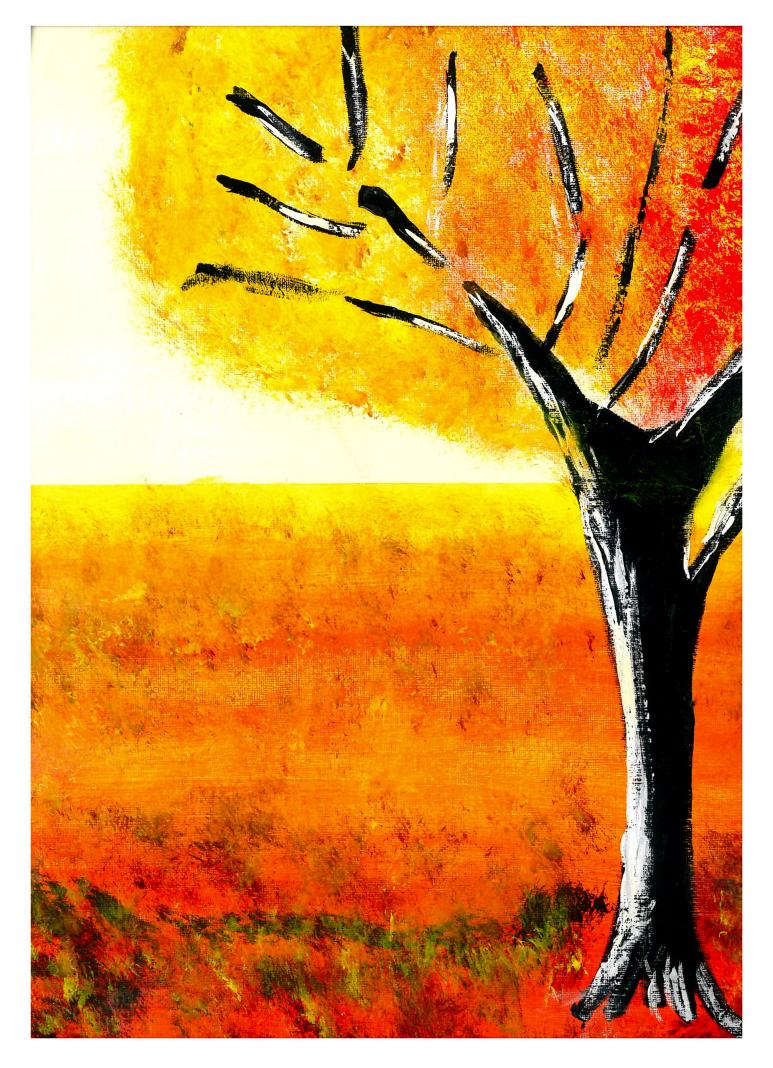
Lock Down's here don't come near, stay well clear wear a mask, it's a task stay healthy fit and wealthy It' II go away some day Things will get better as i write this letter Read the words, feed the birds See you soon, my little bloom.

> Image - Be Strong, Fiona Donald 2020 Words by Willie Spiers

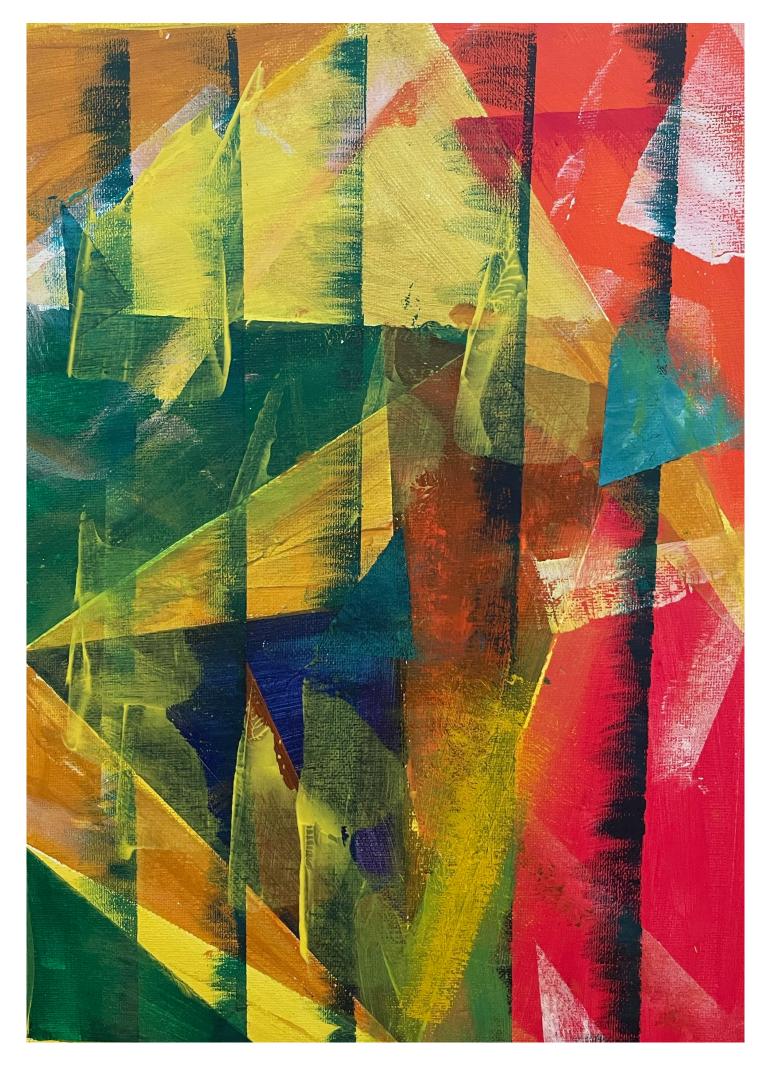


My Illness came during the night I got a fright Bipolar came, I'm no the same no one's to blame, I'll live again Look over there - don't go into despair, grab a chair look at the sun, have some fun go out and run, phone your mum a know you could, you're in a good mood stay safe in your own place.

> Image - Baljinder Purba 2020 Words by Willie Spiers



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Balthazar Lorna Carlisle

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Giraffe Audrey Hunter



Highland Coo Audrey Hunter



Owl Audrey Hunter





Tony Kelly

Shane 2021

In january 2021 many Flourish members adopted trees around the city to visit each day

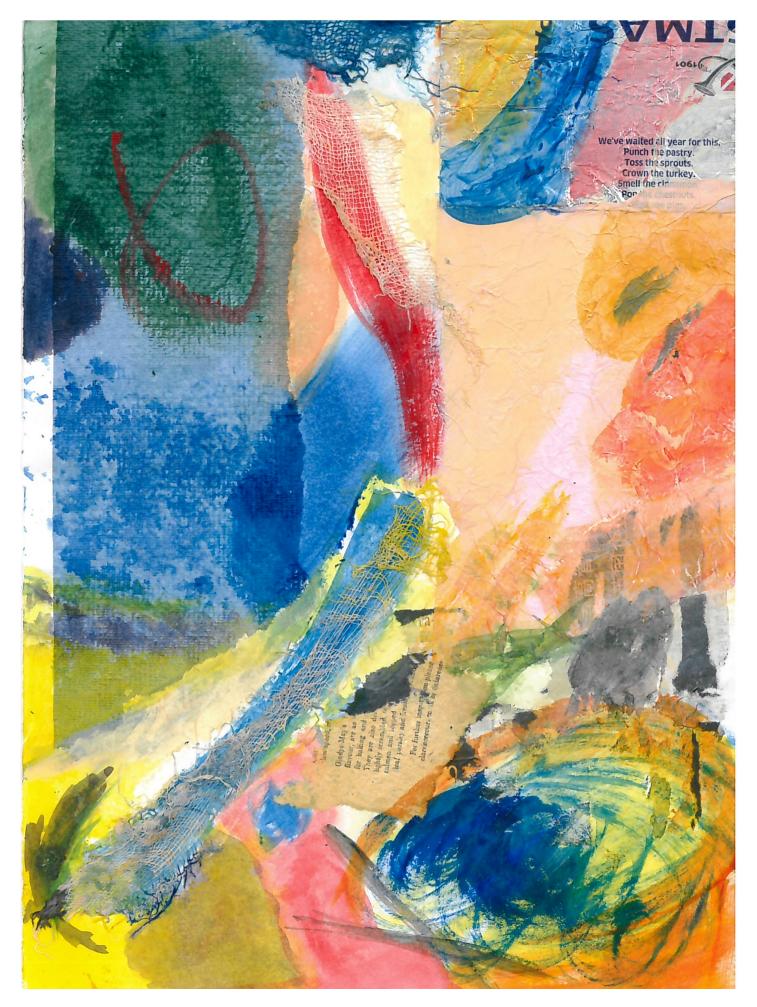
Flourish House as quiet as a mouse the virus came, no one's to blame it's driving everyone insane I stay strong, sing a song, get along look at the moon, it will be over soon give it a try, no one has to die bye!

Poem by Willie Spiers





Janette Adams Abstract Embroidery



Our Magic World Julie Liu

Eyes by Julie Liu

Oh little you, Contain all the happiness, anger, sorrow and joy With the breast of the sea. Even the light will be shy, When you are moved.



《叶子 . 彩蝶》 作者 水墨紫

如果 你在我的窗前走过 带给我一片鹅黄的叶子 我会把它别在胸前 静寂地等待 当时光逝去 它幻化成美丽的彩蝶 日日地 在你的枝头翻飞 Chinese version

眼睛 文/水墨紫

小小的你啊, 以海的胸怀 包容了一切的喜怒哀乐。 当你动情, 光也会羞涩。



Leaf . Colourful butterfly

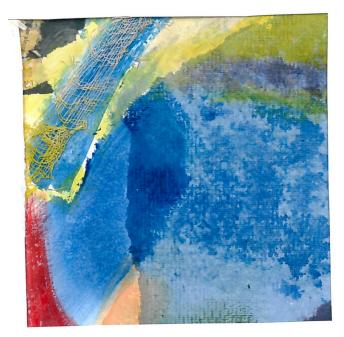
If you pass by my window Bring me a piece of yellow leaf I would wear it on my chest And wait silently And as time passes by It becomes a beautiful colourful butterfly











Windows To Our Magic World, Julie Liu

Gratitude is Me Grafitude 15 Free Gratifude 13 blessed not messed Kind and caring 1 would like to think lam Gratitude Islam so grateful to all family and freinds I have made Grafitude 15 60 have a great atatude and certainly not to be rule a stranger or passer by a simple nod of the head and a hi a simple smile as it might have been a while I think that is gratitude with an aw supple attitude what is my take on gratitude

> Blue Poem Ann Hope 2021



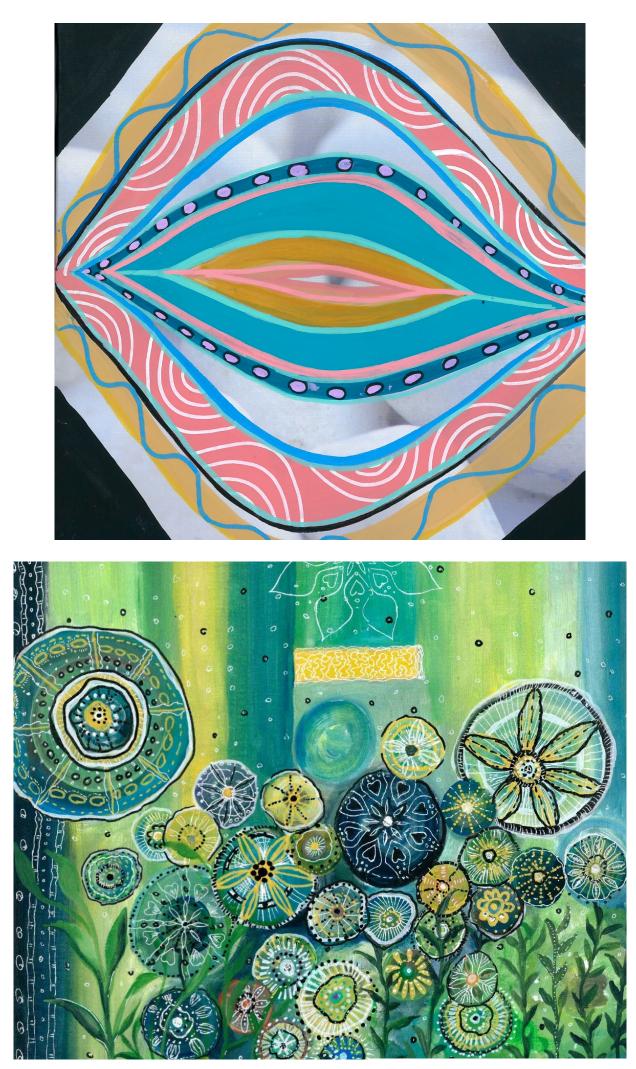
Ticking Clocks Ann Hope 2021

Who am I the Invasable Mas I doserve to be three I have a name a voice I try not to make a noise that happyony dont ask the awoum why You now have a name life is definatly not the same as your voice now came the noise was the rain and that crus dont avestion the why en Joy life and don t let it Pass b

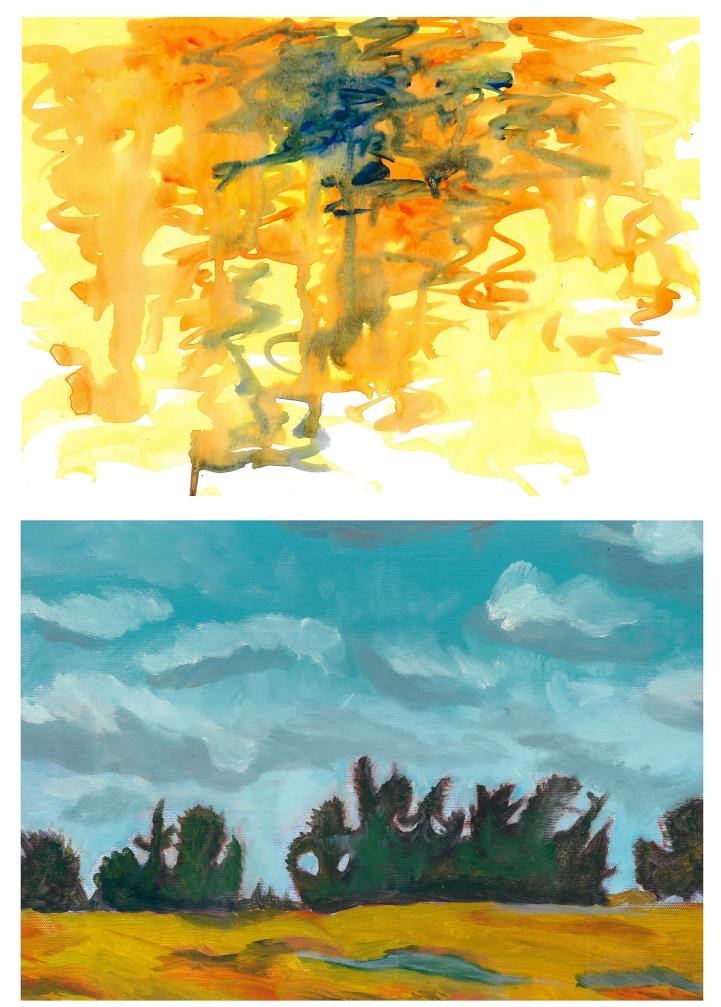
Ann Hope Red Poem 2021



Ameena Zafar



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Margaret Jackson Sunshine Explosion The Great Plane

Responsive Art Project Photography

Thes following photos were taken as part of Flourish House's Responsive Art Project .

A group of Flourish House members worked with Becky from Openaye to explore the local area, work on their photography skills and capture images that represent Glasgow to them.

The next stage of the project is passing the photographs to the creative writing group who will in turn create work to pass to an illustration group.

Photography Credits In order of appearance

Through the leaves - Audrey HunterB Bee - Audrey Hunter Sunshine - Peter Faulkner Tunnel -Audrey Hunter Sign your name - Anna Rogers Of with his head - Lorna Carlisle Many Shades of Blue - Michael McFadden Self Portrait - Andrew Garrow Hat Brim- Becky Male Shadow People - Michael McFadden Hanging Baskets - Anna Rogers By the pond - Andrew Garrow We Tired Eyes - Becky Male Bricks - Audrey Hunter

Hot House- Michael McFadden Tactile - James Smith Clearing - Michael McFadden en Paul White Shiver - Peter Faulkner Walls -Paul White Stair 1 - Peter Faulkner Stair 2 - Peter Faulkner We Are what we repeatedly do -Anna Rogers Cone - Anna Rogers Flourish - Audrey Hunter Stay Funky - Peter Faulkner

Back cover Glasgow 2021 Anna Rogers









