Luke Brennan Great Expectations

8-29 Nov 2025

Luke Brennan is a Sydney-based visual artist whose work emerges from the language of painting.

Brennan's process — marked by repeated cycles of creation and erasure — yields layered, relic-like surfaces that resist fixed meaning. His work draws on a sense of entropy and decay, and deliberately plays with the binaries between artifice and organic, microscopic and lunar, sublime and degraded.

A graduate of Sydney College of the Arts with First Class Honours (2018), Brennan has exhibited widely across Sydney, Melbourne, and Europe.







Great Expectations

Luke Brennan's paintings capture the tension between the microscopic and the cosmic. Planes are charged: carved back, swollen, grazed, recovered — each scar and contour a trace of pressure, damage, abandon and repair. These markings evoke cellular reactions: immune responses, DNA loops, organic replication and decay. Surfaces stretch outwards into the planetary: cratered, dust-filled, eroded terrains.

In a time of instability — of global structures tilting, fracturing, environments shifting, systems crumbling and re-assembling — Brennan's paintings stand as visual analogues of continuity. They register as extrasensory landscapes — pathways where sensations and materials settle. Brennan's work signals change and continuance in equal measure, demonstrating the tendency of form to persist in the face of trial, revision and renewal.

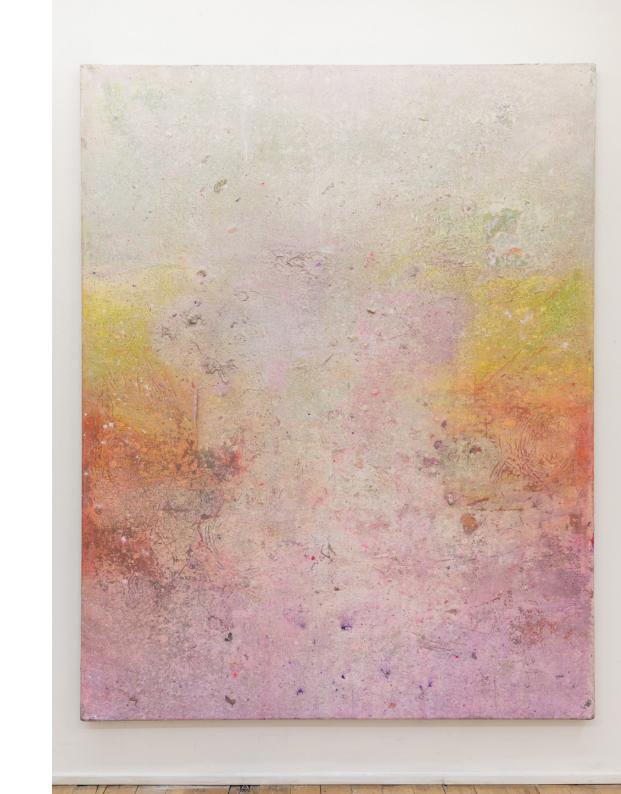






2025 Acrylic, oil, wax, pencil 1530 x 1225 mm \$6,500



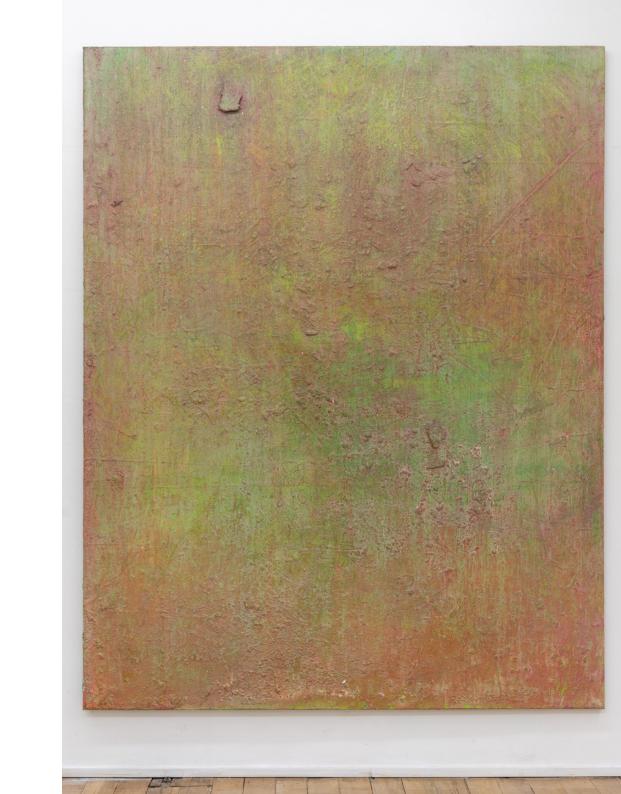


Untitled (Better Angels)

2025 Acrylic, oil, wax, pencil 2130 x 1675 mm \$10,000







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Untitled I (Delacroix)

2025 Acrylic, oil, wax, pencil 310 x 145 mm \$2,500





Untitled II (Delacroix)

2025 Acrylic, oil, wax, pencil 365 x 490 mm \$3,500



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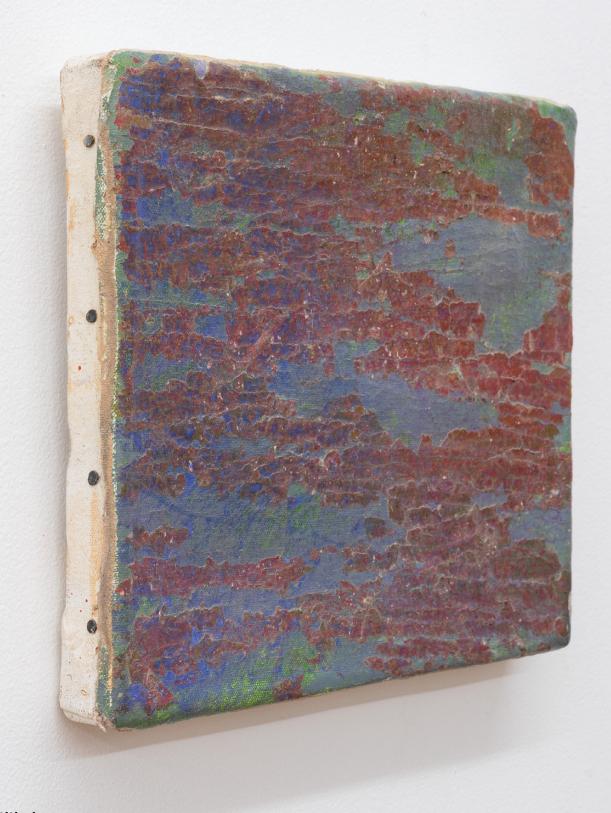






2025 Acrylic, oil, wax, pencil 290 x 380 mm \$3,000





2025 Acrylic, oil, wax, pencil 250 x 200 mm \$2,500



Casella

2025 Acrylic, oil, pencil wax on canvas 300 x 250 mm \$3,000



Forte

2025 Acrylic, oil, pencil wax on canvas 250 x 200 mm \$2,500 All enquiries info@laila.sydney

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