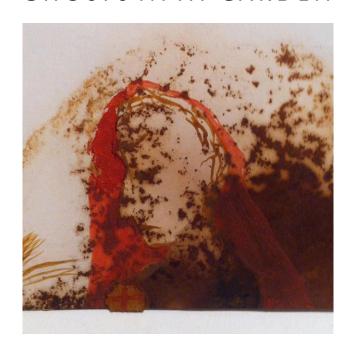
Memphis Projects

IAN PARADINE

GHOSTS IN MY GARDEN



"Cicero" Watercolour, Ink & Acrylic on Printing Pulp. 16 x 14cm 2017

We are proud to present our grand opening of the Memphis Projects gallery space. We are celebrating with a solo exhibition 'Ghosts In My Garden" by the contemporary artist lan Paradine

lan Paradine is an English born visual artist, who grew up in Australia. He first studied drawing, photography & painting at RMIT (Pl.T.) Melbourne, then left for Europe on an Australia Council, artist travel grant. He later finished his Joint Visual Arts honours degree at The Camberwell College of Art/ ual London. From 2001-2012 he lived, worked and exhibited in Vienna, holding 14 solo & group exhibitions. Next to his studio practice 2004-11 he co-launched, ran and curated a commercial gallery in the second district of Vienna, Galerie am Karmelitermarkt, holding six exhibitions a year (total 30) which focused on contemporary painting, photography and new media, representing, exhibiting and supporting established, as well as emerging visual artists. He returned to Australia mid 2012, where he currently lives and exhibits

Since being back in Australia, lan has been amassing a vast array of drawings, paintings, photography and digital collage. At the Memphis Projects solo, this coming fortnight, he will exhibit a selection of these media.

Opening

Saturday 7th of April 4-9pm **Bilderburgers** Performing Live at 7pm

Exhibition: 7-22 April, 2018

Hours & Info

Sat - Sun 12-5pm / Wed - Fri 12-5pm or by appointment call either:

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The myriad characters that populate the drawing works of Melbourne based artist Ian Paradine are perhaps best characterised as eidola of sensuality.

They are figures that embody the motivations, emotions and psychologies of recorded human history, but are nevertheless oscillating between physical and ethereal states of being. These restless individuals come and go in the compositions of Paradine's oeuvre, at times blending with air and landscape. They are not constrained by set series of works, but instead are liberated in an ongoing program of pastels, pen and inks, and mixed-media collages.

A related line of enquiry is presented in Paradine's monochrome drawings, comprising ink and watercolour on paper, which most closely suggest a reverie on the works of the English poet and artist, William Blake (1757-1827). Like Blake, who mused on love and lust in his mock-prophetic book The Marriage of Heaven and Hell, Paradine explores primal feelings and psychological states in his black and-white images. Again, these works feature the humans and archetypes that continually prowl his imagination, but here they appear more sombre on account of the alternative medium.

Drawing on reference to contemporary sociopolitics and the prospect of future events and inventions in his works, the artist refutes stagnation and pure historicism. Instead the figures, landscapes and ideas presented in his drawings are offered as immediately relevant in the twenty-first century. These depicted scenes exist in the hear and now and, by displaying a propensity for metamorphosis, they assume an animation that allows them to live on in the future also.

Trained in Melbourne and, later, at the Camberwell College of Arts in London, Paradine has exhibited extensively both in Australia and Europe, refining his approach to art-marking across his career. He is a multidisciplinary artist working with photography, filmmaking and video – and even a technique of miniaturisation in his drawings reminiscent of the visual curiosities of the Renaissance wunderkammer – the artist continues to break new ground in his solo exhibitions.



01.

"Learning To Live With
Contradiction Is Not A
Weakness, It's A Strength"
Mixed media on Cartridge
15 x 19 cm | 2016 | \$1,600



02 .
"Grotto Ghosts"
Mixed media on Ivory
Cartridge
10 x 15 cm | 2016 | \$1,400



03 .
"I Kissed The Hand Of Fate"
Mixed media on Arches
15 x 10 cm | 2016 | | \$1,250



04.

"Bee Swarm"

Mixed media on Arches

14 x 19 cm | 12016 | 1\$1,250



05.

"Underworld II ,The Ever
Loosening Grip Of Belief"
Mixed media on Arches
13 x 9 cm | 2016 | \$1,250



"Kicked Sacred Heart"Mixed media on Arches14 x 10 cm | 2016 | | \$1,250



07.
"Der Struwwelpeter
Resting"
Mixed media on Arches
9 x 12 cm | 1 2017 | 1 \$1,400



08.

"We'll Meet By The Chalk Cliffs"

Mixed media on Ivory cartridge

17 x 14 cm | 2016 | \$1,500



09 .
"Small Blacks IIV"
Mixed media on Arches
16 x 12 cm | 2016 | \$1,700



10 .
"Small Blacks V"
Mixed media on Arches
17 x 13 cm | 2016 | \$1,700



11 .
"Ancient"
Mixed media on Arches
19 x 13 cm | I 2016 | I \$1,700



12 .
"Twin Town"
Mixed media on Arches
45 x 55 cm | 2015-7 | \$2,500



13.
"The Un-hingedness of Reality"
Mixed media on Arches
44 x 57 cm | 2016 | | \$2,800



14 .
"On The Cold Rockface"
Mixed media on Arches
30 x 23 cm | 2017 | \$1,800



15 .
"Small Blacks VII"
Mixed media on Arches
15 x 19 cm | I 2014 | I \$1,700





17 .
"Small Blacks IX"
Mixed media on Arches
18 x 12 cm | 2016 | \$1,700





19 .
"Lazarus"

Watercolour, Pencil and Ink
on Board
32 x 20 cm | 2017 | \$1,700



20.
"Offering"
Watercolour on Board
15 x 19 cm | 12014 | 1\$1,400



21 .
"Neptunian"
Watercolour on Arches
12 x 8 cm | I 2017 | I \$1,200







24.
"Descend Out Of The
Golden Vapours & Sweep
Me Into Iridescent Life"
Watercolour on Board
23 x 18 cm | 2017 | \$1,600



25 . **"Smug"**Mixed media on Wood
23 x 18 cm | 2011-7 | \$1,400





27 .
"The Gentle Are Hidden"
Mixed media on Arches
14 x 9 cm | 1 2017 | 1 \$1450



28.
"Cicero"
Mixed media on Arches
16 x 14 cm | 12017 | 1\$1,650



29 .
"Egyptian Queen"
Mixed media on Arches
23 x 18 cm | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



30 .
"Der dritte Weltkrieg"
Mixed media on Linen
35 x 35 cm | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



31.

"Knucklehead"

Mixed media on Canvas

32 x 25 cm I 2013 -7 I \$2,000