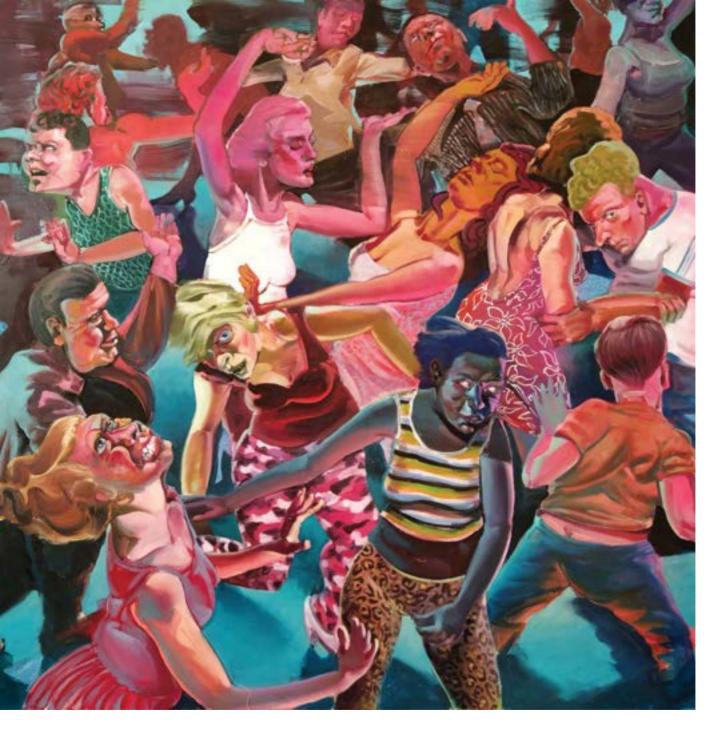




ZENON JEPRAS • LAST ORDERS



Dance Until We Drop oil on canvas 148×148

Last Orders

Drink up, it's time to go. One for the road? You've had enough. Western culture found its soul in a bottle many millennia ago and ever since the source of much courage and creativity, inspiration and forgetting. No wonder then that the artist's eye has traditionally wandered freely from subject to glass and back again, especially in troubled times. Poets and painters are always interested in human character and how we express our humanity. Especially how we face up to mounting anxieties and pressures, the irony of isolation and division with ever-increasing inter-connectedness, meaningless chatter and visual overload.

The Bar is a microcosm of this. Not just a place of solace and escape, of Lethe and Hypnos where sorrows are drowned, but also of togetherness and defiance; where stories are told as we laugh at ourselves and the absurdity of everything that doesn't really matter. There we can reject the darkness, send Erebos away and dance with Pasithea and her sisters. So, chin up, raise your glass, chase out the devil and then stay for another. Eïβα!

Zenon Jepras June 2023

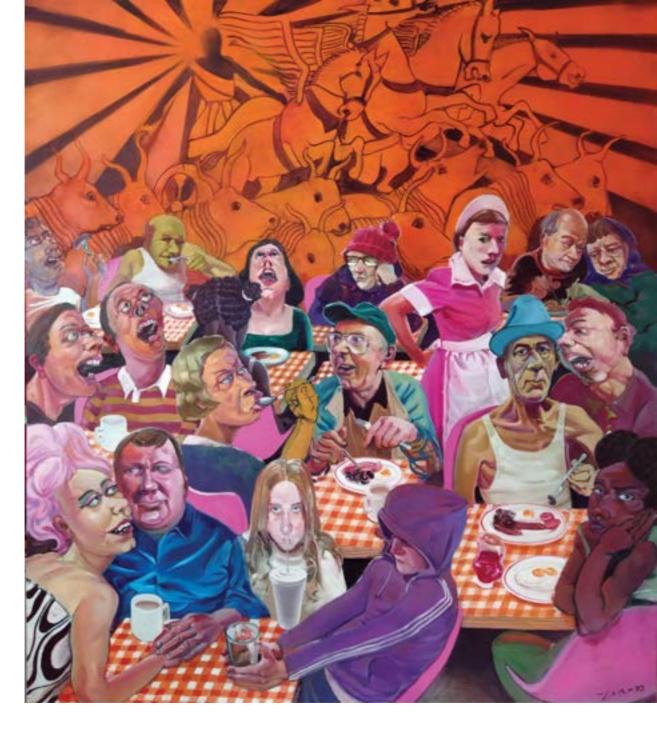
I didn't hold myself back. I gave in completely and went, went to those delectations that were half real, half wrought by my own mind, went into the brilliant night and drank strong wine, the way the champions of pleasure drink.

"I went" by CP Cavafy Translation copyright © 1975 Edmund Keeley

Δεν εδεσμεύθηκα. Τελείως αφέθηκα κ' επήγα. Στες απολαύσεις, που μισό πραγματικές, μισό γυρνάμενες μες στο μυαλό μου ήσαν, επήγα μες στην φωτισμένη νύχτα. Κ' ήπια από δυνατά κρασιά, καθώς που πίνουν οι ανδρείοι της ηδονής.

"Επήγα" Επιμέλεια Γ. Π. Σαββίδη. Τα Ποιήματα, Τ. Α' 1897 - 1918, Ίκαρος 1963



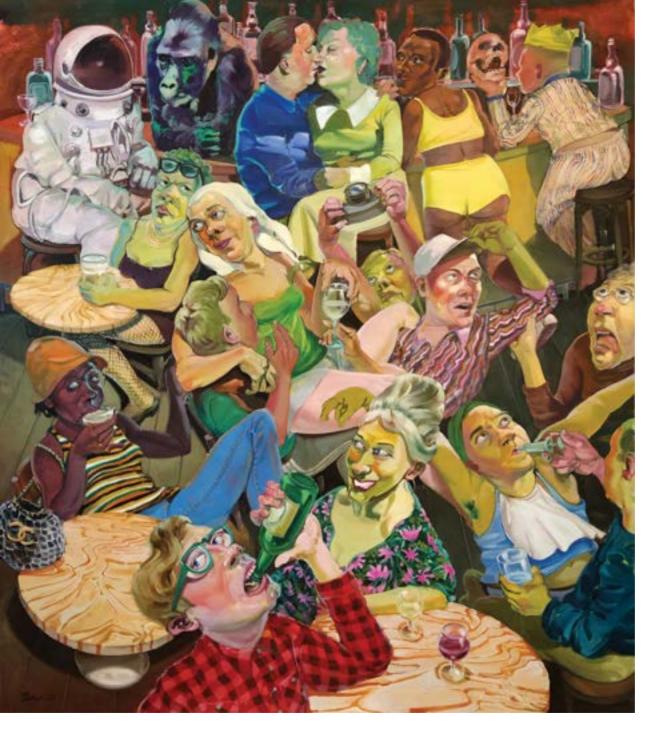


All-Day Breakfast at The Helios Café oil on canvas 180×160





Cabaret Night at The Empire Club oil on canvas 180×160



A Whisky Kiss at the Lost and Found oil on canvas 180×160



Grace and Hope with Dry Martinis oil on canvas 150x200



Drinks on the House at The Billionaires Bar oil on canvas 150x240



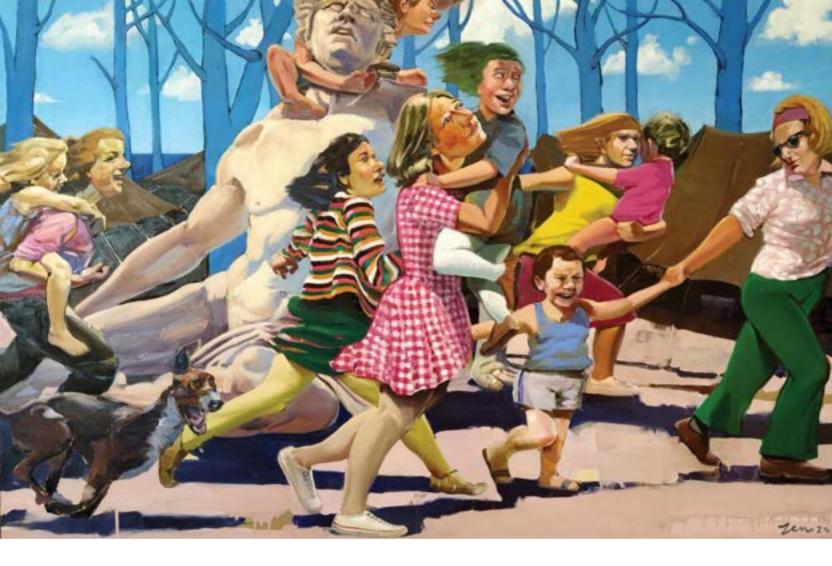
Teenagers Doing Absolutely Nothing oil on canvas 180×145



Pushing Your Luck at The Achilleon oil on canvas 200×150



Fancy Dress Night at Pasithea's History Bar oil on canvas 135x200





Maria's Chips with Curry Sauce oil on canvas 145x240





Ophelia and Desdemona oil on canvas 135×148



Zenon Jepras was born in 1969 in Cardiff, Wales. He studied painting at the Glasgow School of Art in Scotland from where he graduated with Honors.

A genuine figurative artist, Jepras' work focuses strongly on the tradition of narrative painting and telling stories through the using the language of painting - colour, texture, emotion and symbolism. Mythology and history blend with current social and political trends to produce powerful and vivid that create a narrative for the viewer to decode and unravel.

He presented his work in many solo and group exhibitions in Cyprus, Greece, the UK, Portugal, and Germany. His work is in the permanent collections of the Cypriot State Collection of Contemporary Art, the Central Bank of Cyprus Collection, the Bank of Cyprus Collection, the Nikos Pattichis Collection, the Luciano Benetton Collection and in numerous private collections in Cyprus, Greece, the US and the UK. He is the 1993 winner of the "Liquitex International Painting Prize", awarded by the American Art Council, New York.

Solo Exhibitions (selection)

2023 Last Orders, Alpha C.K. Art Gallery, Nicosia

2021 Ithakas, Alpha C.K. Art Gallery, Nicosia

2019 How to Be Happy, Alpha C.K. Art Gallery, Nicosia

2017 Killing Time, Alpha C.K. Art Gallery, Nicosia

2015 Zenon Jepras: Painting, Morfi Gallery, Limassol

2014 Playgrounds of Forgetting, Alpha C.K. Art Gallery, Nicosia

2012 Not Exactly Memory, Alpha Gallery, Nicosia

2011 Personal Moments, DP Gallery, Limassol

2010 Out of the Sand, Alpha Gallery, Nicosia

2009 Gorilla, Gloria Gallery, Nicosia

2009 Lost Heritage, Gallery K, London

2008 Deconstructing Troy, Royal Commonwealth Society Club, London

2008 Recent Work, C.K. Art Gallery, Nicosia

2007 Small Rooms, Morfi Gallery, Limassol

2006 Cacophony, Gallery K, London

2006 Short Stories, Gloria Gallery, Nicosia

2004 Maternity, Gallery K, Nicosia

2003 Kiss, Gallery K, London

2002 The Colour of Memory, Gloria Gallery, Nicosia

2001 Angelopathia, Gloria Gallery, Nicosia

Group Exhibitions (selection)

2020 Life, A.G. Leventis Gallery, Nicosia, Cyprus

2014 The Lovely Gallery, London

2013 Art-Athina International Contemporary Art Fair, Athens

2012 a arte do previsível, Cordoaria Nacional, Lisbon

2010 1960-2010: Glances at Cyprus Art, Gallery Hotel de Sauroy, Paris

2010 Visual Rhythms, Municipal Cultural Centre-Melina Mercouri, Nicosia

2009 Five Cypriot Artists, Brom Gallery, Helsinki

2008 Where Do We Go From Here?, Municipal Arts Centre, Nicosia

2005 Municipal Gallery, Thessaloniki

2004 Kulturaljahr der Zehn, Gallery Tammen & Busch, Berlin

2000 Twelve Cypriot Artists, Ioannina City Hall, Ioannina

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