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Deface the Currency
oil on canvas
160x220 cm



Relocation
oil on canvas
200x150

One way or another, people re-locate. They leave one place for another, escape, flee, voyage for the hell of it and defiantly express an innate superiority over geography and its borders.

Aged 5, my Greek-Cypriot- Welsh family stuffed into a bright green Renault 16, roof racked with the stuff of sub-urban south Wales, set out across Europe to Greece. It was early summer, 1974. The turmoil of events elsewhere, remote but right there in my Cypriot father's heart and mind and homeland, has loaded the roof rack with much emotional, historical and political baggage ever since. I'm still unpacking.

All travellers carry with them the stuff that defines us, locates us, motivates the push-pull that moves us along. Stuff that anchors us to safe ground in uncertain times; stuff that satisfies - or not - the longing for certainty in unfamiliar territory, a border crossing, a hostile environment.

The relationship between memory, identity and the everyday things that we personalise and imbue with emotion is often lost in the drive for success or survival, to reach the destination. To paint is to unpack. A picture can reveal the beauty and absurdities of the journeys that we undertake to find safe passage through existential threats and anxieties that come at us every day, both real and imagined.

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November 2025



Where the River Runs Deep
oil on canvas
166x210



Holiday with the Junta, 1974
oil on canvas
200x165



Trawling for Relics on The Argo
oil on canvas
180x160



Ship of Fools
oil on canvas
220x150



Babylon
oil on canvas
160x240



Know Yourself
oil on canvas
148x148



The End of History Bar
oil on canvas
140x200



Space Invaders
oil on canvas
220x150



Hot Dogs With Meaning and a Side Order of Pathos
oil on canvas
148x148



Four Invisible Women in a Hot Tub
oil on canvas
148x148

The Memory Bus
oil on canvas
200x165





We Hope The Journey is a Long One
oil on canvas
200x166



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)

2025 *Relocations*, Alpha C.K. Art Gallery, Nicosia
 2025 *Relocations*, Cyprus High Commission, London
 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, 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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