

Julian van der Krogt

Artist Statement

I'm a trained Web Designer and a self taught musician living and working in Wellington.

I'm influenced by urban surroundings. I enjoy walking through a city being inspired by the culture, buildings and people going about their lives.

I'd describe my paintings as lively with colours that clash and leap off the canvas. Visually I'm influenced by traditional art movements, yet my work clearly demonstrates a keen admiration for urban art such as graffiti, street signage and illustration. Adding to this skill set I enjoy contrasting clean line work with abrupt, thick gestural oil paint application like that of abstract expressionist painters.

My work's subject matter focuses on urban life; it's effect and relationship with people and nature. Works are often presented with humorous or cynical titles to challenge the elitist perspective of modern art. Similar to street art which can be enjoyed by all. By combining these influences I try to uniquely visualise a time and place that represents a collage of my imagination and perspectives.



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