Blue Shop Gallery PRESENTS

CHARLIE BOOTHRIGHT 9-16 FEB

ARCHIE BOON 18-26 Feb

9TH-26TH FEBRUARY 2023

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Our second exhibition of 2023 brings together two solo shows back-to-back by a pair of young artists from Camberwell College of Arts. Charlie Boothright and Archie Boon are two incredibly exciting painters at the edge of their careers. For our show poster Oliver Wade, their close friend and fellow art student, captures their lives, artistic process and creative output in his numerous black and white film photographs. The paintings in this show are urgent, loud and passionate. Wade's documentary photographs echo both the physicality of Boothright and Boon's work, but also the energy and confidence of the pair as artists.

We first met them at Blue Shop Cottage in 2020 whilst they were in their first year of art school and now, three years later, we are proud to present their invigorating and energetic bodies of work on our brand new walls.

We have captured Boothright and Boon before the other powers at play affect the art, and the artist. Only the earliest bodies of artistic work retain the vitality of nascent artistic investigation and questioning. We are documenting the birth of brilliance, the birth of the painter.

Whilst there is a distinct conversation between the two bodies of works, they are separated by their approach to the canvas. Boothright's paintings force us into a primal, terrestrial world; we feel the child-like energy of fingers ripping through mud, trying to find form and magic in earth, but handled technically and compositionally with maturity way past her age. While Boothright searches for form by pushing paint around the canvas, - Ocki Magill and Billy Parker of Blue Shop Galleries

Boon's construction of form feels more considered, shapes and colour are suspended across the temporal planes of painting. If Boothright finds a tangible depth that reaches forward, towards us, Boon searches for a surrealist, metaphorical depth that sinks backwards into the wall.

By working predominantly in large scale abstraction, both artists are resisting the contemporary bombardment of images and constant stimulation of today. The works become an aesthetic antithesis to the oversaturated artificiality of now, but they also battle with our contemporary understanding of time. Painting, in particular abstraction, exists on some other plane of time. This bravery in battling against the expected is what gives their work its urgency, its ability to translate emotion to the canvas so immediately in a world where emotions are pictorially buried under layers of meaning and divergence.

When the end of the world looms over younger generations of artists, for what, or why, do we keep painting? There is no longer the necessity of painting to preserve, to document an understanding of humanity for later generations. There is only a feeling of construction for destruction. This anger and directness is what we are hanging on our walls. We are exalting what it means to be a painter born in the millennium.

People often ask us where and how we find our artists. Sometimes the answer is simple: they just walk through the door.

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NAME

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BOOTHRIGHT 9 - 16 FEB | 'JUST OUT OF REACH'

Charlie Boothright (b. 2001) is an artist based in South London, who will graduate from Camberwell College of Arts, Fine Art Painting in 2023. She predominantly paints on large scale canvases that explore ideas of movement and dynamism through the tactility of materials.`

"Within my paintings I am constantly searching for more questions. I am engaged in a process involving myself as an artist and the materials that allow me to visualise my internal states through large scale abstract paintings. I believe an extension of the artist can be seen through the work they make, as personally I create as an outlet for expression. This body of paintings follow the past two years of investigating my identity as a painter."

- Charlie Boothright, 2023



BOOTHREACH 9 - 16 FEB JUST OUT OF REACH

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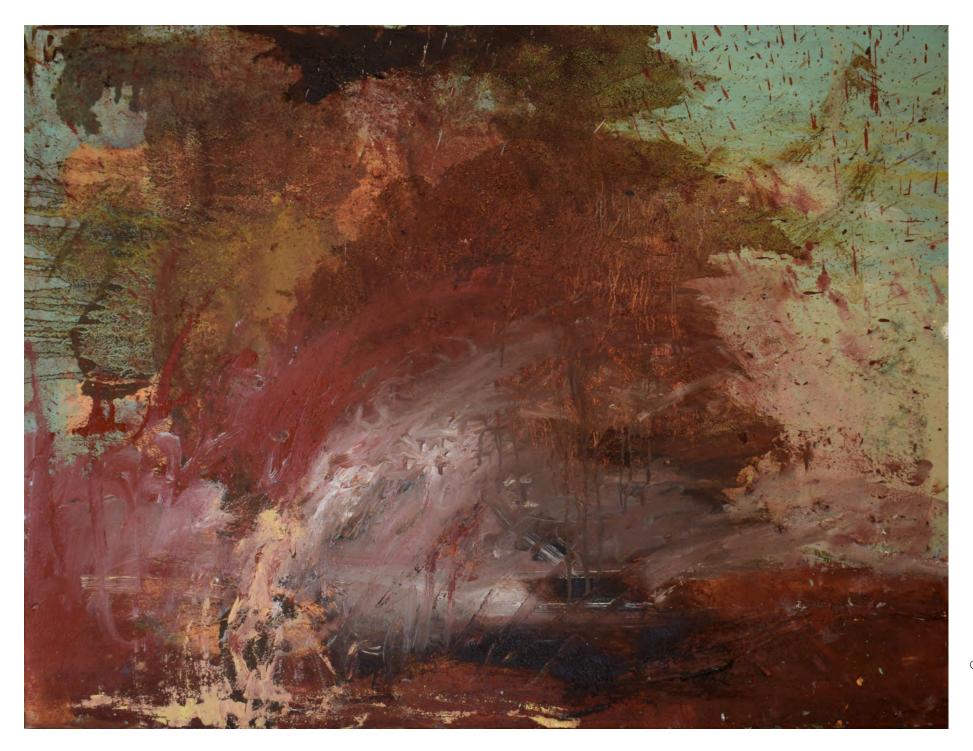
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Absent forest

Charlie Boothright 73 x 60cm Oil on canvas SOLD



Red Wash 2 Charlie Boothright 80 x 60cm Oil on canvas SOLD



Red Wash

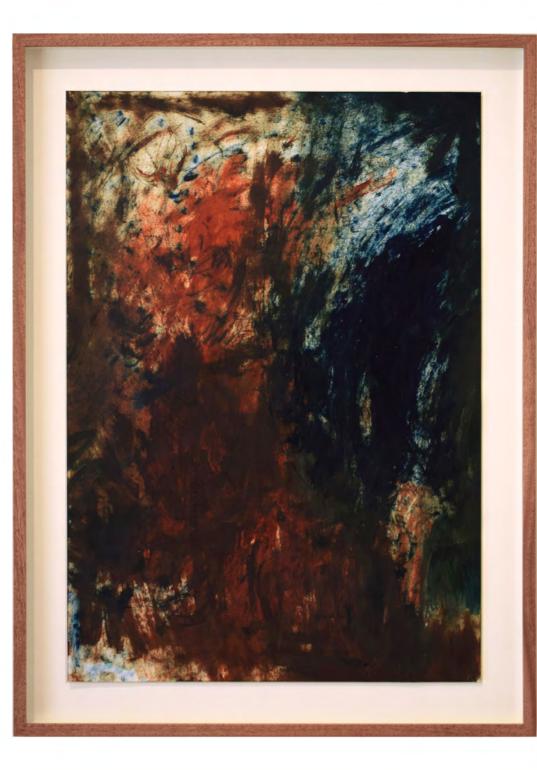
Charlie Boothright 81 x 65cm Oil on canvas SOLD



Sienna Landscape

Charlie Boothright 84 x 59cm - Artwork size 94.5 x 70cm - Framed size Oil on two sheets of paper Framed in sapele wood with anti-reflective glass

SOLD



Wavering (paper)

Charlie Boothright 58 x 41cm - Artwork size 70 x 52.5cm - Framed size Oil on paper Framed in sapele wood with anti-reflective glass SOLD



Scoping Charlie Boothright Oil on canvas 260 x 130 cm £5,000



Framed study Charlie Boothright 41 x 31cm Oil on found frame SOLD

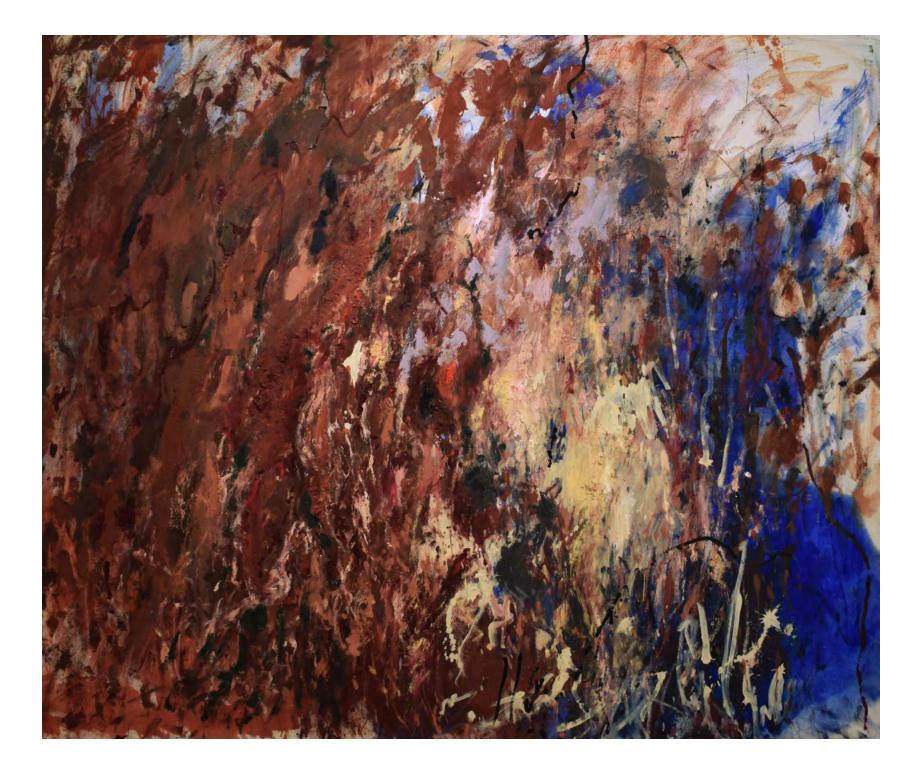


Charlie Boothright Oil on canvas 150 x 200cm £4,750

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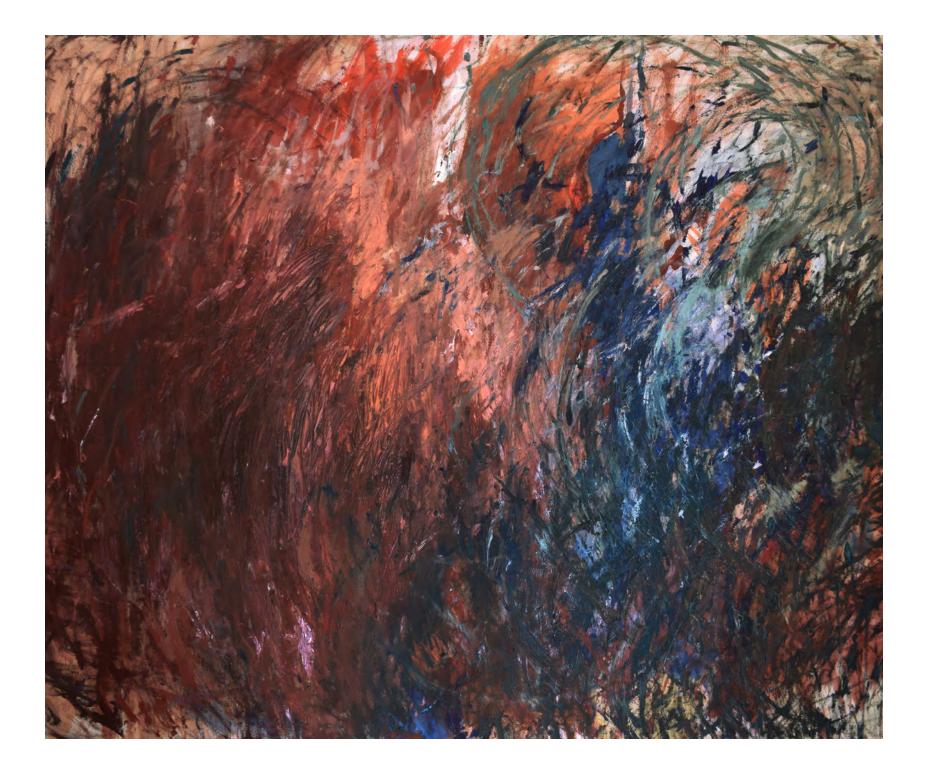


Diptych Charlie Boothright 23 x 28cm each 46 x 56cm Oil on canvas board SOLD



Bleeding

Charlie Boothright Oil on canvas 180 x 150cm £4,500



Wavering

Charlie Boothright Oil on canvas 180 x 150cm £4,500

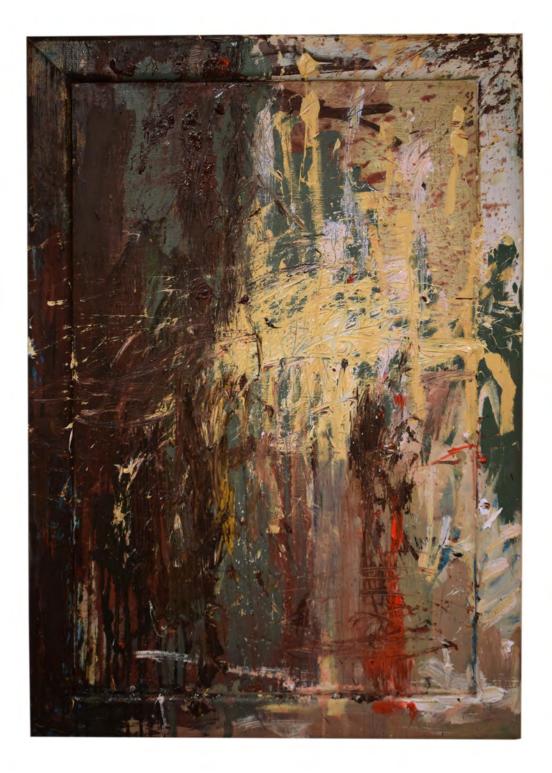


Ode to Frankenthaler

Charlie Boothright Oil on wood 14 x 29cm SOLD



Composition 1 Charlie Boothright 50 x 50cm Oil on canvas SOLD



Charlie Boothright 73 x 104cm Oil on wooden board and frame SOLD

Untitled



Grey Smith Charlie Boothright 27 x 27cm Oil on canvas SOLD



Foraging Charlie Boothright Oil on canvas 180 x 160cm £4,500



Red scene 1

Charlie Boothright Oil on paper 59 x 42cm - Artwork size 70 x 52.5cm - Framed size Framed in sapele wood with anti-reflective glass



Red scene 2

Charlie Boothright Oil on paper 59 x 42cm - Artwork size 70 x 52.5cm - Framed size Framed in sapele wood with anti-reflective glass



Red scene 3

Charlie Boothright Oil on paper 59 x 42cm - Artwork size 70 x 52.5cm - Framed size Framed in sapele wood with anti-reflective glass



Engraved relief

Charlie Boothright Oil on paper 21 x 15cm - Artwork size 36 x 29.5cm - Framed size Framed in sapele wood with anti-reflective glass

SOLD







Blue Mass 1, 2, 3 Charlie Boothright Oil on paper 42 x 59cm - Artwork size 52.5 x 70cm - Framed size Framed in sapele wood with anti-reflective glass £850 each | £2,400 for Triptych



Landscape of Solace

Charlie Boothright 60 x 42cm Oil on wood SOLD



Colour Lineage 1 Charlie Boothright 13 x 18cm Oil on canvas £375



Colour Lineage 2 Charlie Boothright 13 x 18cm Oil on canvas SOLD



Colour Lineage 3 Charlie Boothright 13 x 18cm Oil on canvas £375



Colour Lineage 4 Charlie Boothright 13 x 18cm Oil on canvas SOLD

INTRODUCING

BOON 18 - 26 FEB | 'PURGE'

Archie Boon (b. 2000) is an artist currently based in South London, and studies Fine Art Painting at Camberwell College of Arts. Having grown up in the town of Saffron Walden whose pastoral and bucolic environs have provided the inspiration for many of his paintings, Boon closely abstracts the natural landscape with an increasingly muted colour palette and dynamism in his brush strokes.

"My current body of work has seen a massive reduction in colour and representational forms and has in turn become an outlet for recording feelings responding to a period or place. My works aim to show a trace of humanity, and act as evidence of time/ work/process that has been rendered onto canvas. The work has become more introspective; getting information down onto the surface of the painting through large amounts of paint carving out the surface of my thoughts. This body of work has been made in response to my last show "Windmill Hill".



- Archie Boon, 2023



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Purge (small) Archie Boon Oil on canvas 94 x 73.5cm Framed in walnut SOLD



Bridge over water

Archie Boon Oil on canvas 200 x 120cm £5,000



Scrambled Archie Boon Oil on canvas 28.5 x 50cm

Framed in walnut

£1,750



Silverfish Archie Boon Oil on canvas with painted frame 35 x 64cm £2,150





Dyslexic blue Archie Boon Oil on book hardback, diptych 26.5 x 35.5cm each Framed in walnut SOLD





Purge Archie Boon Oil on canvas Triptych 220 x 510cm POA



Freeloader Archie Boon Oil on found frame 29 x 33cm £1,550



Hanging Archie Boon Oil on canvas 25.5 x 33.5 Framed in walnut £1,200



Stolen moment Archie Boon Oil on canvas 25.5 x 33.5 Framed in walnut SOLD



Shelter Archie Boon Oil on canvas 25.5 x 33.5 Framed in walnut £1,200



You Archie Boon Oil on canvas 25.5 x 33.5 Framed in walnut SOLD



More today than yesterday Archie Boon Oil on canvas 25.5 x 33.5 Framed in walnut £1,200



Locomotion Archie Boon Oil on canvas 25.5 x 33.5 Framed in walnut £1,200



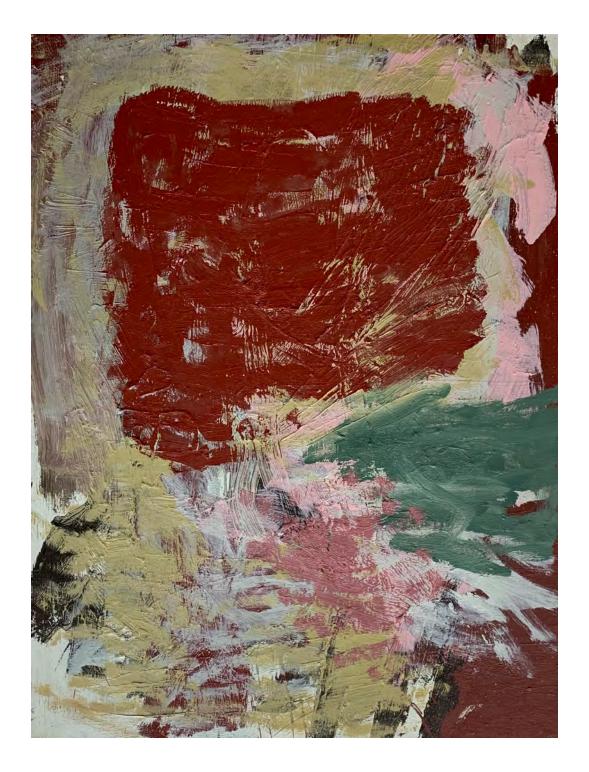
Night and day Archie Boon Oil on canvas 25.5 x 33.5 Framed in walnut £1,200



Blue Lagoon Archie Boon Oil on canvas 33.5 x 33.5cm Framed in walnut £1,500



Camberwell shelf Archie Boon Oil on canvas, diptych 64 x 25.5cm Framed in walnut SOLD



Red Head Archie Boon Oil on canvas 60 x 80cm £2,500



Tender

Archie Boon Oil on canvas 45 x 30 cm £1,600



Backscatter

Archie Boon Oil on canvas 200 x 130cm £5,000

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If you would like to purchase any of the works

by Archie Boon or Charlie Boothright please

contact the team on hello@blueshopcottage.com

UPDATED LIST OF WORKS