



## Andrew Bryant's extraordinary work circles around "questions of fantasy, dependency and lack".

'nformed as much by his training as a psychoanalyst as his lifelong brings together what he calls "the narcissism of wishful thinking with the disappointment of experience".

He has an MA in Fine Art from Goldsmiths College London, recently graduated from

Newlyn School of Art's One Year Professional Mentoring Course, and in 2021 he was shortlisted for Wells Contemporary Art and longlisted for the Jackson's Painting Prize. He is also an accomplished writer, having written for a-n magazine, a highly respected publication committed to support of contemporary

enough, he has now been nominated for the 2022 Contemporary British Painting Prize, putting his work firmly on the radar of serious art collectors.

The level of detail in his paintings and drawings is extraordinary, almost photographic, except that the meaning

and presence they exude marks them out as deeply considered works on canvas and engagement with art, Andrew's work paper. Gathering from books and internet searches, Andrew transforms found photographs into seductive monochrome oil paintings. His images invariably contain a component of staging, of conscious presentation — a reference to the practice of painting itself. Whether it is engineless toy

planes, shelves bolted to the floor, or empty and static trolleys, his subjects are in some way inadequate, or simply stuck, longing for the fulfilment of their purpose. The lengths to which Andrew goes in pursuit of flawlessness are excessive and he can spend months on a single painting, striving for a perfection which, he says, in its "very

art. As if those stellar achievements weren't failure [..] articulates gesturally the central paradox of [my] work, namely the elusive potential of human and artistic desire."

> Andrew lives and works in Cornwall and his work is held in private collections in the UK and abroad.

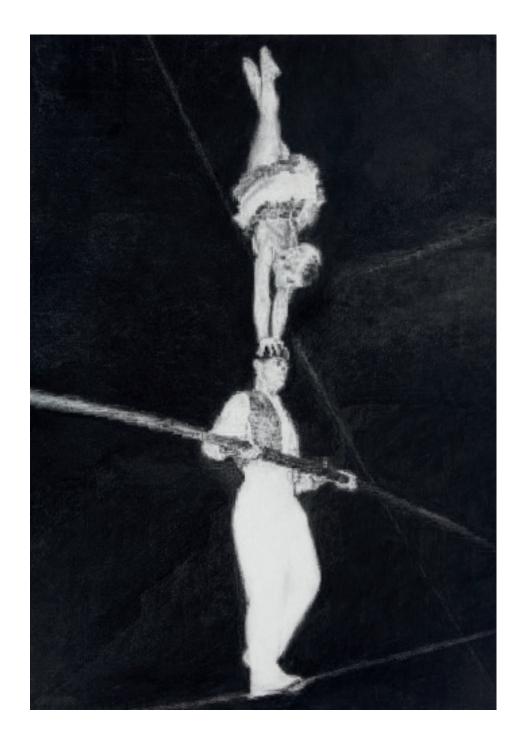
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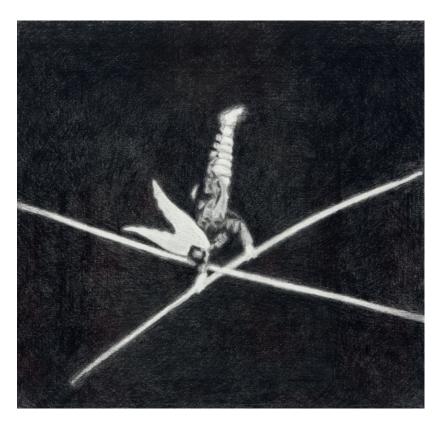


PREVIOUS Untitled (UFO), 2021—22, oil on canvas, 120cm x 90cm

ABOVE Andrew Bryant



ABOVE High Wire, 2017, pencil on paper, 50cm x 35cm





TOP Fool, 2016, pencil on paper, 21cm x 21cm

 $$\rm A\,B\,O\,V\,E$$  My black ball, 2009—2012, black plasticine,  $27\rm cm$  diameter (approx)

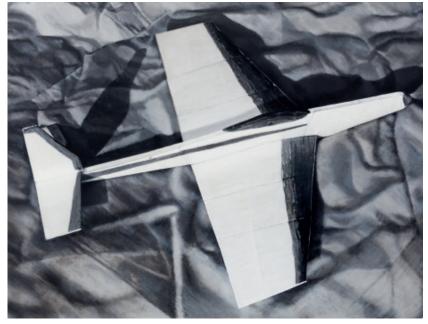






ABOVE Untitled (silver trolley) 2019, oil on linen, 50x60cm

TOP Untitled (spooky trolley), 2018, oil on canvas covered board, 30cm x 42cm





Untitled (jet), 2021, oil on canvas, 110cm x 85cm

ABOVE Untitled (glider), 2022, oil on canvas,  $100 \mathrm{cm} \times 120 \mathrm{cm}$ 

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