

HAVE A JOYOUS HOLIDAYS

The Latest News from Mertim Gokalp's Art Studio



GOODBYE 2018

Bon Appetit, Oil on Wood Panel, 110 x 160 cm
Winner of Hunters Hill Art Prize
SOLD

Ready for the new year!

With the end of the year fast approaching, I wanted to reach out to my friends and collectors, and wish everyone a Happy Great New Year. I hope you are all ready for the Festive Season ahead.

To be honest, I am so looking forward for the new year. Here is a summary of the artistic creations, accomplishments, and inspirations of 2018.

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THE WINNER OF HUNTERS HILL ART PRIZE

Two years in a row

I have been awarded the Hunters Hill Art Prize two years in a row, last year with my painting titled, "Stigmata" and this year with my painting of famous celebrity chef Manu Feildel, title "Bon Appetit." Bon Appetit was also exhibited at S. H Irwin Gallery as part of their Salon des Refuses Exhibition.

Manu has been a delight to work with and he has been very lucky for me. As you would remember, I won the Kennedy Art Prize last year with another painting of Manu. Both of these paintings have found their home.



**FEATURED IN
DAILY TELEGRAPH**



Stigmata, Oil on canvas, 120 x 90 cm
Winner of Hunters Hill Art Prize 2017
Available for Purchase
\$6000



**WINNER OF
KENNEDY ART PRIZE 2017**

Getting Ready for Dinner,
Oil on canvas, 120 x 90 cm
Acquired



A SELECTION OF PAINTINGS

2018



Equality, Leading the People, 2018

150 x 200 cm

Available for Purchase

\$10000

“Equality, Leading the People” is a painting inspired by the famous painting of Delacroix, “Liberty Leading the People” with a modern twist. Referencing to the marriage equality movement, the painting attempts to invite viewers to think about the history of the LGBTI battle. Now that the marriage equality is a reality in Australia, the painting is a celebration of this achievement as every step taken is one closer to World Peace and Equality.

This painting has been exhibited at Maitland Regional Art Gallery: MRAG, and has been shortlisted as a semi-finalist in the Doug Moran Portrait Prize 2018.



A SELECTION OF

PAINTINGS

2018



Whirling, 2018
120 x 90 cm
Oil in canvas
Sold



The girl with Peacock, 2018
120 x 90 cm
Oil on canvas
Sold



A SELECTION

PAINTINGS

2018



Black Balloon, 2018
180 x 90 cm
Oil on board
Available for purchase
\$5000



A SELECTION OF

PAINTINGS

2018



Portrait of Matt Bekier
CEO of Star Entertainment Group, 2018
Oil on canvas

Portrait Commission



20%
OFF

when you buy a painting or
commission a portrait by the
end of January 2019.

Just reference the code:

GOODBYE2018

other

AVAILABLE

paintings



other
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PERSONAL NEWS

STRAWBERRY LOVE

My little munchkin is almost two year old. Not a strawberry loving baby anymore as I captured her when she was 6 months old, more of a watermelon loving curious toddler, full of energy and love.



FAREWELL TO OUR BUTTERFLY

We were expecting our second girl in September, however things did not go as expected. Our little baby was stillborn at 39+ weeks. We named her Zaja and she was a beautiful perfect baby.

We know our hearts will take time to heal and we appreciate your care and support in our grief

