



*Placeholder* presents a new body of work by the Nottingham-based artist Sarah Poots within the no-longer-occupied spaces around her studio in the city's Lace Market.

Within this context familiar painterly motifs such as drapery and candles appear both as cut outs and 'stand ins'—as fragments arranged over surfaces, allowing connections to be drawn between paintings and across rooms.

Littered with handed tied mementos, the relationship to touch is central within these works, that which is close at hand is used to craft and signal memorialisation.

Here, it is the slight, the personal and the sentimental which is given space and time to hold our attention.

Sarah Poots (b. Co. Down, N. Ireland) graduated from Glasgow School of Art, 2002; The Royal Academy Schools, London, 2010 and from HGB Academy Leipzig, Germany in 2008. Poots has exhibited extensively in the UK and Ireland. A selection of exhibitions include: Pourquoi London with Gertrude x Canopy Collections, Spitalfields, London, 2024; To Feel All Your Warmth, Warbling Collective, London, 2023; Contemporary British Painting Prize, 2021; Fully Awake, Holden Gallery, Manchester 2021; Blazon, Sid Motion Gallery, London 2019; The Toast, curated by Robin Footitt, New Arts Projects, London, 2018; Marching Through The Fields, Warbling Collective, London 2018; You can't blame gravity for falling in love, curated by Eliza Bonham Carter, Lychee One, London, 2016; Outpost Open, Selected by Chris Rawcliffe and Lynda Morris, Norwich, 2016.

Playing Fields is an itinerant contemporary art project incorporating collaborative curatorial practice, creative, professional and critical artist support and collection/institutional advisory, aiming to build meaningful new networks between artists, curators and spaces in the UK.

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Footsteps oil on canvas 30 x 40 cm 2024



Hídden oil on canvas 100 x 80 cm 2024





Show of Hands oil on canvas 80 x 65 cm 2023



Two Charms oil on canvas 30 x 30 cm 2024





Gathering oil on canvas 30 x 30 cm 2023





Many Parts oil on canvas 92 x 82 cm 2024







Leftovers oil on canvas 80 x 70 cm 2023



Endless oil on canvas 30 x 25 cm 2021



Mírror oil on canvas 30 x 25 cm 2023





Tied II
oil on canvas
32 x 25 cm
2023





Tied I
oil on canvas
60 x 50 cm
2024







XO oil on canvas 55 x 45 cm 2023



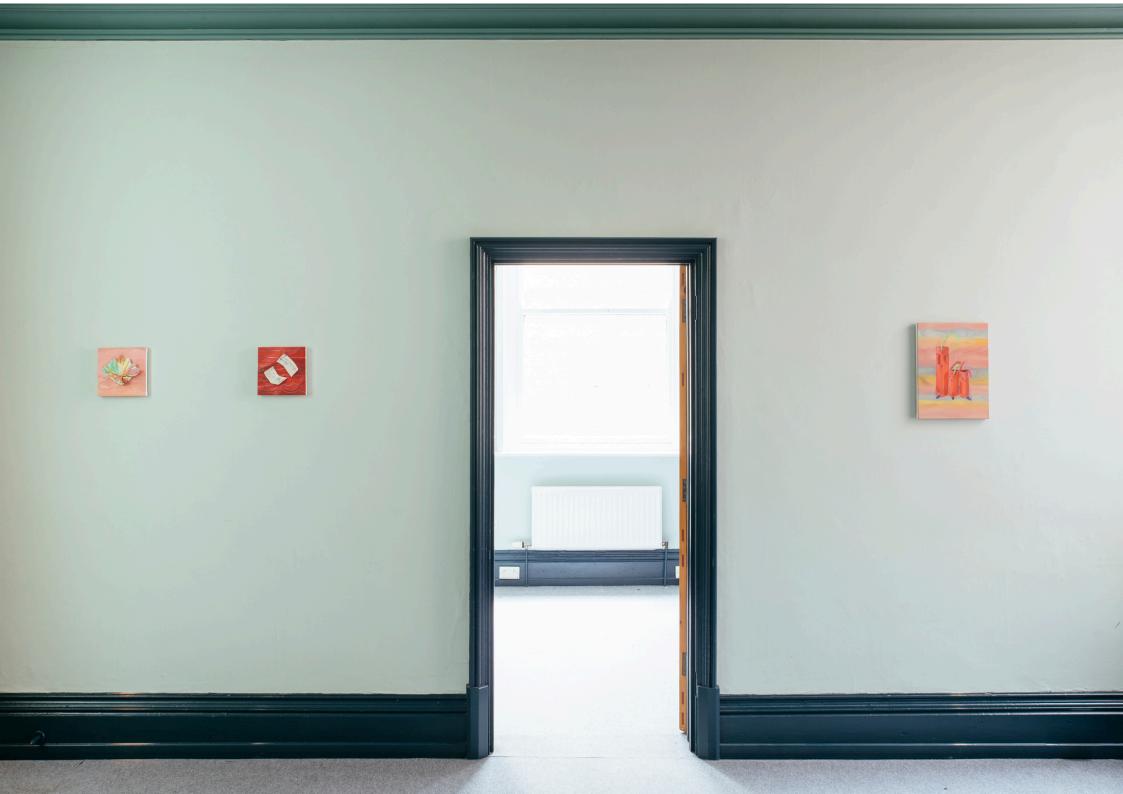


Drífter oil on canvas 77 x 67 cm 2024





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Untítleð (Shell) oil on canvas 20 x 20 cm 2022



You Will Grow oil on canvas 20 x 20 cm 2023



Guardíans oil on canvas 30 x 25 cm 2023





Rumination oil on canvas 62 x 80 cm 2024





Medicine oil on canvas 120 x 100 cm 2024

