THE DISTANT EDGE LEAH TESCHENDORFF JOHN TESCHENDORFF	
May 3rd - 25th, 2024	
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JOHN TESCHENDORFF

For over four decades John Teschendorff's History of Ideas Project has maintained an abstract focus on the metaphorical potential of material, form, and colour. He organises these elements into structured responses to real life issues and historical contexts. While he rarely names events, many works compassionately address the politics of the refugee and mass migration.

In this Melbourne exhibition, the vibrant lines emerging from a blue/black darkness hint at the potential for resilient threads of optimism, which might be found on pathways through landscape zones of despair and conflict. The uniform continuity of Teschendorff's lines infer an extension beyond the canvas, as though these routes are part of a larger prevailing network of movement amidst challenges, tethered to history through the perpetuation of ideas.

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CLXVII Exodus 3-4 (Route IV) 2022 acrylic sisal & wax on canvas on board 50 x 100 cm (2 panels)

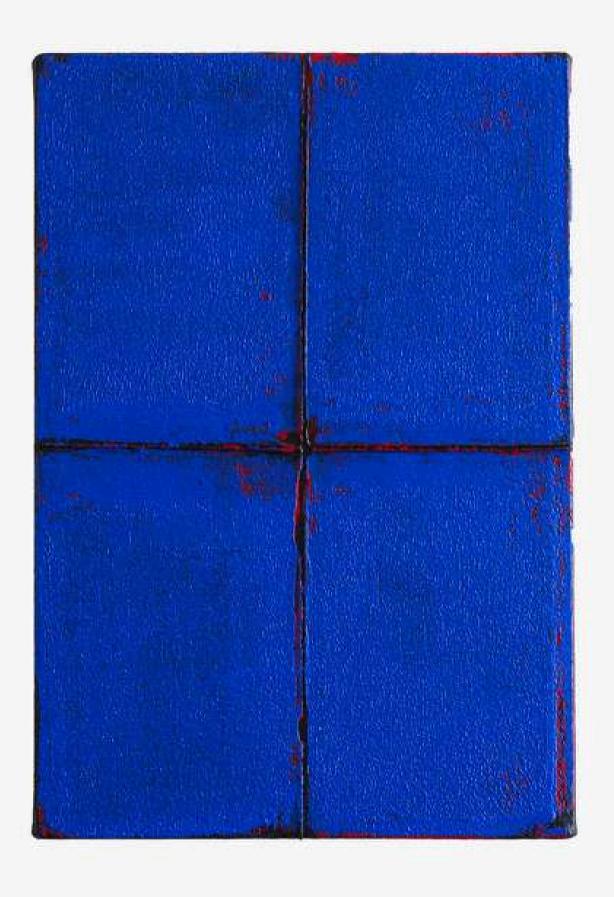




CXL Invisible Cities VI (...end game)
2021
acrylic musou black & wax on Arches
320gsm paper on board
73 x 105 cm (2 panels)



CXLVX Small Blue Painting II (Untitled) 2024 acrylic enamel & sisal on canvas on board 32 x 22 cm

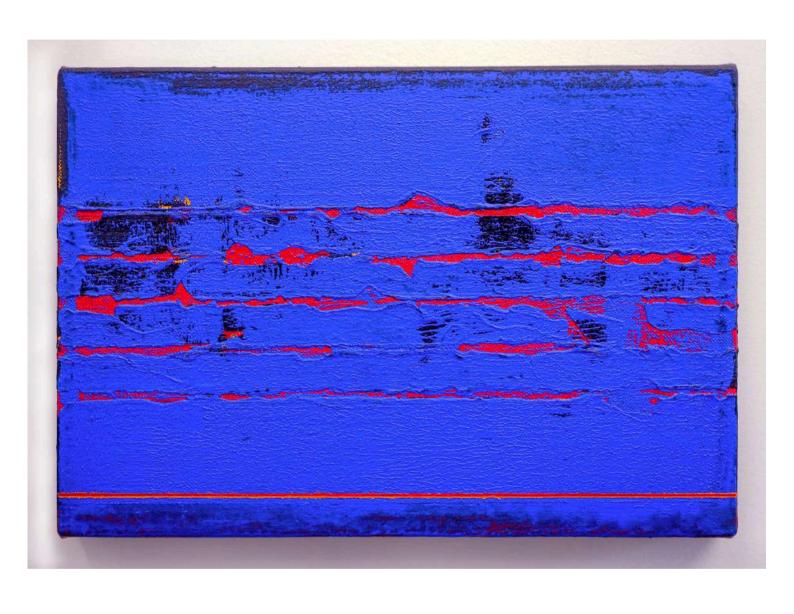


CXLVIX Small Blue Painting I (Untitled) 2024 acrylic enamel & sisal on canvas on board

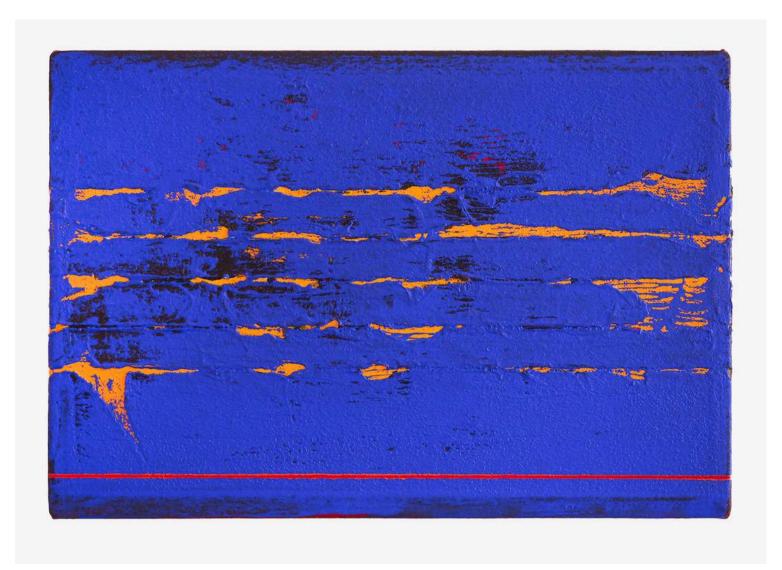
32 x 22 cm \$1200



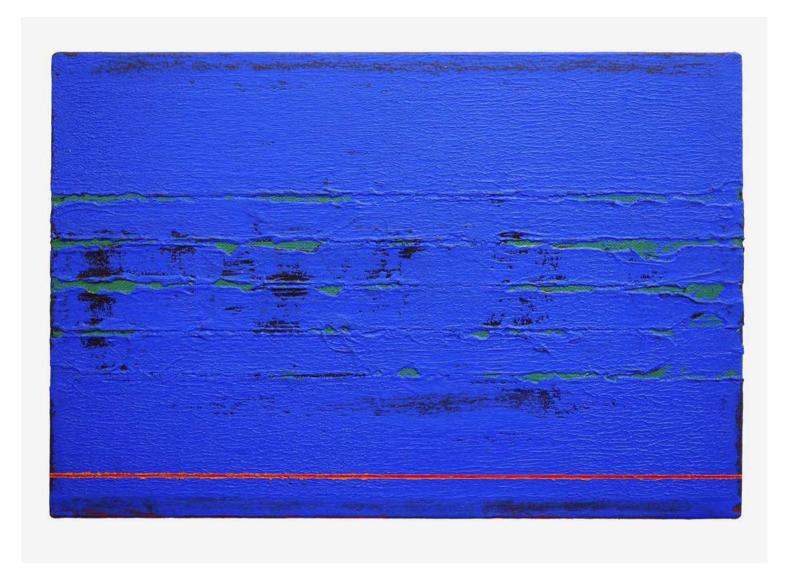
CLXVII Exodus 1-2 (Route III) 2022 acrylic sisal & wax on canvas on board 50 x 100 cm (2 panels)



CL Variation One (...red) 2024 acrylic enamel & sisal on canvas on board 22 x 32 cm



CLI Variation Two (...yellow)
2024
acrylic enamel & sisal on canvas on board
22 x 32 cm



CLII Variation Three (...green)
2024
acrylic enamel & sisal on canvas on board
22 x 32 cm



CLIII Variation Four (...blue) 2024 acrylic enamel & sisal on canvas on board 22 x 32 cm

LEAH TESCHENDORFF

Equanimity.

This is what the grids, this is what the colours bring me.

The ability to maintain a deep sensation of inner calmness, stillness and even-mindedness when dire external circumstances threaten to over whelm. As forests burn, ancient trees are felled, genocidal wars rage and the world around us fractures and shifts to the right, how do we make sense of it all?

Lately, the joy and simplicity of making and looking at art has become for me a coping mechanism, a meditational process. My work shown here in The Distant Edge, an exhibition with my father John, continues with the grid as the central motif: the rhythm of grids and the distillation of complex ideas and powerful feelings. Intuitive use of colour, the texture sensations of paper, leather, linen, pigments and other re-purposed materials. Our work is connected not just chromatically, but clearly through a shared philosophical view of the universe, one where justice, truth, and human rights are sacrosanct.

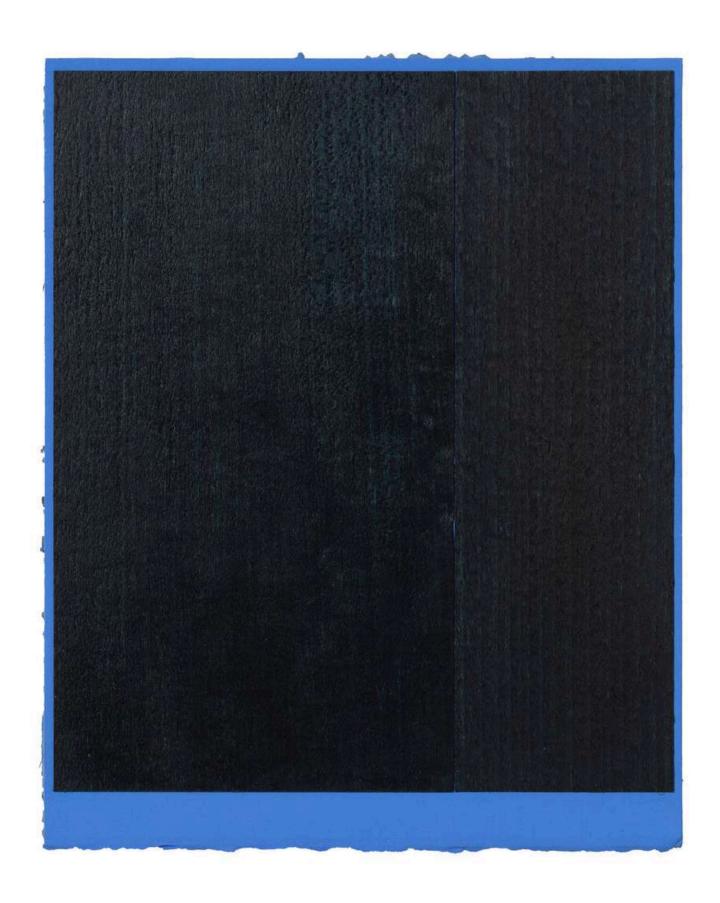
Images: Mark Ashkanasy



Little Blue Monochrome 2023 acrylic, hessian, cardboard 15 x 11.5 x 4.8 cm



Untitled 18.01.2024 (Naples yellow) house paint, gouache, acrylic, card, ply, cardboard 24.2 x 18.3 x 1.1 cm



Untitled 29.04.2024 (Black Square-ish)
Japanese cherry and buna, cotton rag, gouache, cardboard
19.8 x 15.9 x 0.6 cm



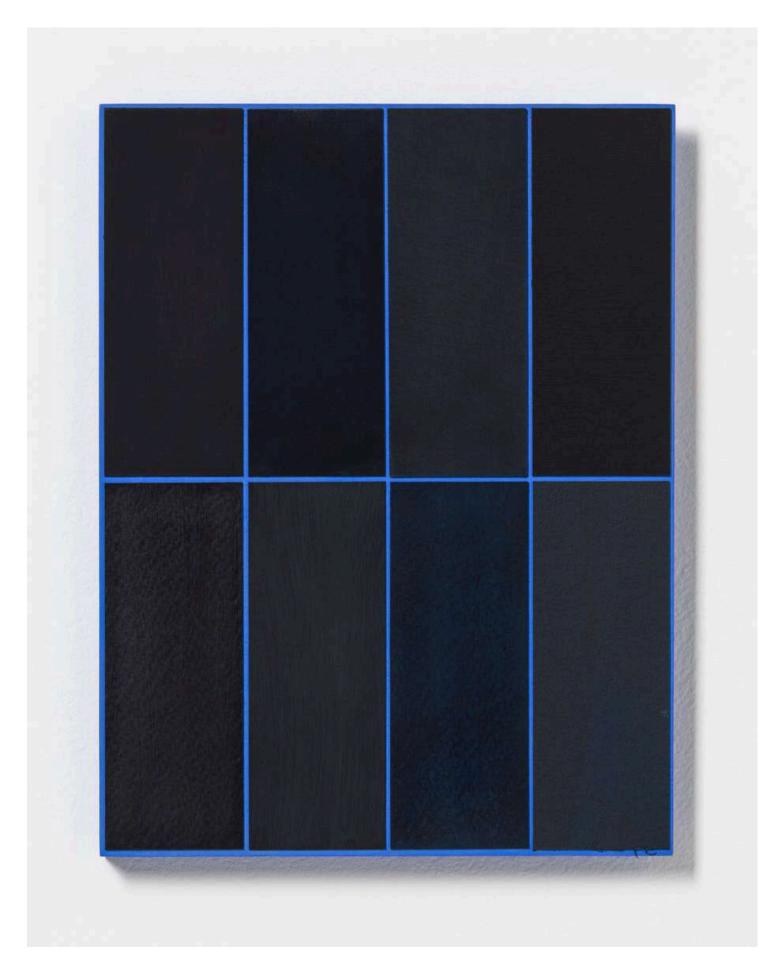
Untitled 29.02.2024 linen, canvas, leather, cardboard, acrylic, gouache $15.4 \times 12.2 \times 0.7$ cm



Untitled 20.03.2024 gouache, watercolour, house paint, oil, card, cotton rag, Japanese Spruce, cardboard 24 x 15.5 x 1 cm



Untitled 19.03.2024
paper, card, linen, acrylic, leather, gouache, watercolour, cardboard
15.4 x 12.2 x 0.7 cm



Untitled 20.02.2024 (smalt) gouache, watercolour, acrylic, paper, wood 21 x 16 x 1 cm



Untitled 26.04.2024 acrylic, gouache, leather, oil, Japanese Spruce, ply, cardboard 15.4 x 12.5 x 1.1 cm



Untitled 04.01.2024 house paint, gouache, card, paper, ply, cardboard 21 x 16.1 x 0.9 cm