



KEEPSAKES

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“My painting practice is storytelling; communicating what touches me – moments past, present and imaginary, that mould together in their own pell-mell manner.

I want belonging to be part of the communication, for the relationships of my life and imagination to be expanded outwards, to resonate beyond the paint.

For my characters, though touch or gesture, often through a flower offered as a gift, that the feeling of being alone is lessened.”

"Our lives are full of stories and incidents that we try to unravel.
Wanting to make sense of our day to day.
Finding a place that gives us purpose and meaning.
I began to sort out old photographs in a trunk, scared that last year's rain might have destroyed them.
I sifted.
I stumbled upon memories, vague and half-forgotten. Faces emerged repeated, places too, known
and disremembered.
There's no one left to ask, no one to tell me.
And hence began a visual conversation, a filling in of the gaps and the cracks and the shaky-in-
between places.
Maybe a homage, maybe just a keepsake."

Hilary Herrmann, 2023



Hilary Herrmann
Tea Party 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
120 x 180 cm

\$9,800



Hilary Herrmann
Ramble 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
45 x 45 cm

\$2,200



Hilary Herrmann
Waiting on the Bench 2023
oil on canvas
45 x 45 cm

\$2,200



Hilary Herrmann
Bearing Gifts 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
45 x 45 cm

\$2,200



Hilary Herrmann
Safe Away 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
45 x 45 cm

\$2,200



Hilary Herrmann
Two Dogs and a Man 2023
oil on canvas
45 x 45 cm

\$2,200



Hilary Herrmann
Kimberly 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
45 x 45 cm

\$2,200



Hilary Herrmann
The Flower Vase 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
50 x 50 cm

\$2,200



Hilary Herrmann
Children's Dance (detail) 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
50 x 50 cm

\$2,200



Hilary Herrmann
Cuppa Tea 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
75 x 75 cm

\$3,300



Hilary Herrmann
The Halo Crew 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
75 x 75 cm

\$3,300



Hilary Herrmann

Dress ups 2023

oil on canvas

120 x 100 cm

\$4,200



Hilary Herrmann
To the Skies 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
75 x 75 cm

\$3,300



Hilary Herrmann
Flurry 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
75 x 75 cm

\$3,300



Hilary Herrmann
To the Skies 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
75 x 75 cm

\$3,300



Hilary Herrmann
Morning Walk 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
75 x 75 cm

\$3,300



Hilary Herrmann
Brother and sister 2023
oil on canvas
75 x 75 cm

\$3,300



Hilary Herrmann
Together 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
90 x 120 cm

\$3,300



Hilary Herrmann

Solace 2023

oil on canvas

120 x 45 cm

\$3,300



Hilary Herrmann
A Splendid Day 2023
oil and gold leaf on canvas
75 x 75 cm

\$3,300



Hilary Herrmann
Friends 2023
120 x 80 cm
oil and gold leaf on canvas

\$3,800



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Unknown Bride and Groom 2023

oil on canvas
120 x 100 cm

\$4,200



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Woman with Flowers 2023

oil on canvas
150 x 60 cm

\$4,200



Hilary Herrmann

Thoughtful 2023

oil and gold leaf on canvas

120 x 100 cm

\$4,200



Hilary Herrmann

Family (detail) 2023

oil and gold leaf on canvas

180 x 120 cm

\$9,800



Hilary Herrmann

Riders 2023
oil on canvas
70 x 80 cm

NFS



Hilary Herrmann

My Father's Whisper 2020
40 x 30 cm
oil and gold leaf on canvas

NFS



Hilary Herrmann

Anzac Day 1963 2017

Collaboration James Guppy and self

oil on canvas

120 x 100 cm

NFS



Hilary Herrmann

Mother/Liesel 2019

Collaboration James Guppy and self

60 x 40 cm

NFS



The works in *Keepsakes* explore relationships, domesticity and memory, they study and exaggerate the ghostly figures in my trunk of fading photos. I want belonging to be part of the communication, for the relationships of my life and imagination to be expanded outwards, to resonate beyond the paint. For my characters, through touch or gesture, often through a flower offered as a gift, that the feeling of being alone is lessened.



I live on a rural property in the Bunjalung hinterland, amongst undulating hills and landscapes lush and evergreen. I am surrounded by a network of community and friends, which are a lovely mixture of miscreants and misfits. They colour my world. My daughter reminds me of a character out of a Gabrielle Garcia Marquez' novel and I often feel the need to stop her from floating into the skies. There are needy chickens, bad tempered ducks and a shiny black rescue pup called Shelley. I like to paint. Stepping over the cobwebs and chewed up dog bones, I paint on my veranda looking out at this curious world.

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