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jo tonkovich
a collection of paintings by

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Jo Tonkovich

Jo Tonkovich is an artist and gallery owner of TONK based in New Canaan, Connecticut. Inside TONK, Jo makes each of pieces in the storefront window creating an interactive gallery space. The majority of Jo's pieces are made by hand - rarely using brushes. Jo mixes paints to develop abstract compositions and is known as having an eye for color. Her pieces are happy just like Jo's personality. She is a mother of three and a lover of airedale pooches.

Jo received a BA in English and Communication at Boston College. She has studied art and sculpture at Silvermine Art School. Prior to owning TONK, Jo worked on commission helping to add sparkle to her clients' homes.



Artist Statement

Jo Tonkovich's Happy Collection is based on an acrylics watercolor medium on custom linen. Water and rock salt add texture to paints and bleach dilutes areas of the linen creating a life of its own. Although there are pops of color in these pieces, paints are deliberate adding calm and balance. In the drying process the watercolors become whatever they want - a part of the art which is true in its form. In every piece Jo aspires to have constant interest so there is always an element of wonder. Happy is walking into a room and having just that - a slice of peace and joy.





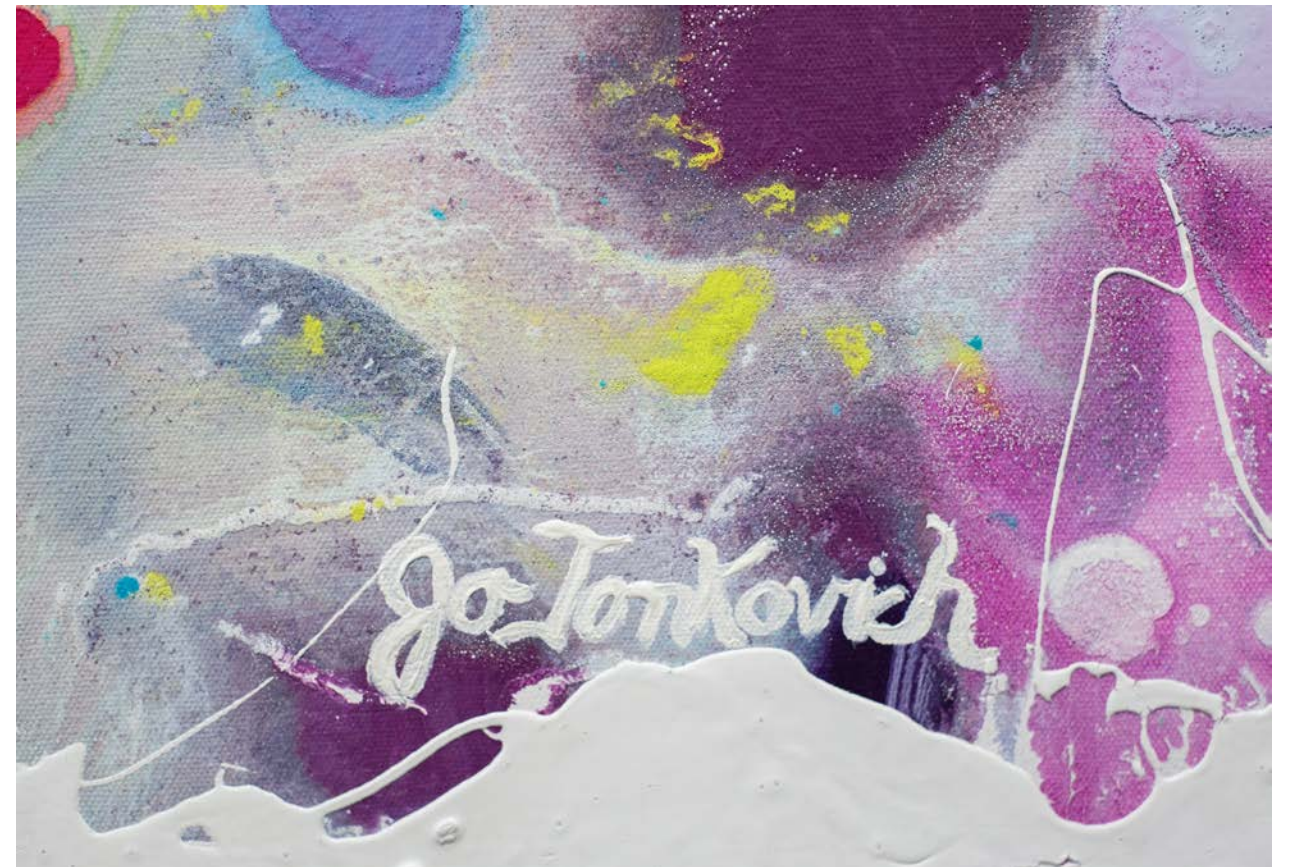
Happy, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 72 x 72 inches

Cloud Grey, 2023, acrylic on canvas, 40 x 55 inches





Cloud Purple, 2023, acrylic on canvas, 40 x 55 inches



Lily Pads, 2023, acrylic on canvas, 36 x 44 inches

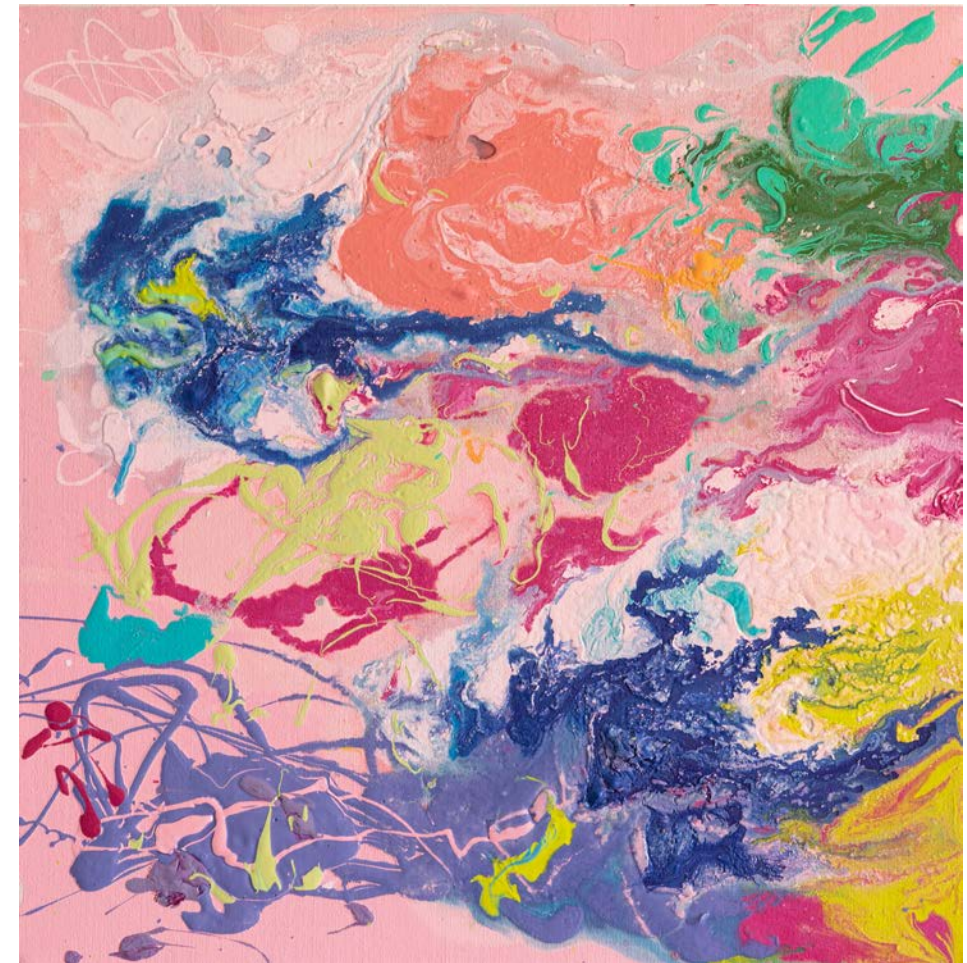




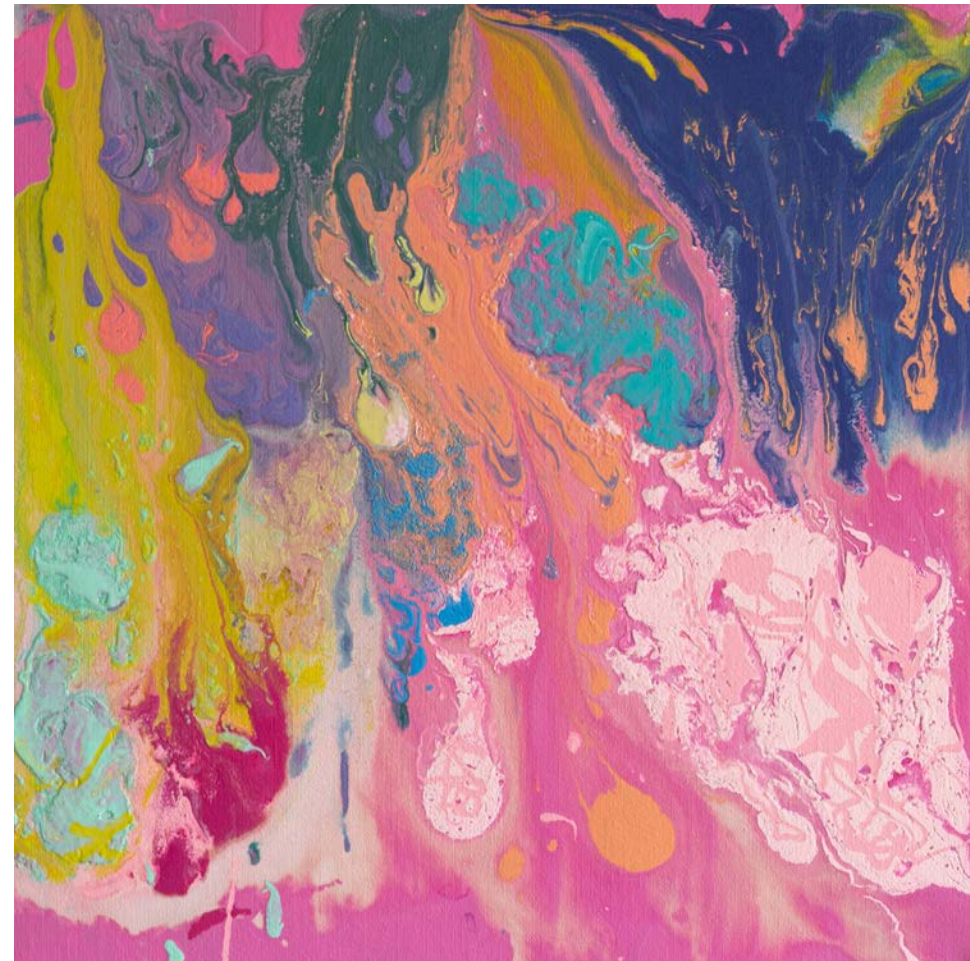
Cotton Candy, 2023, acrylic on canvas, 40 x 55 inches



Pink Candy, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 20 x 20 inches

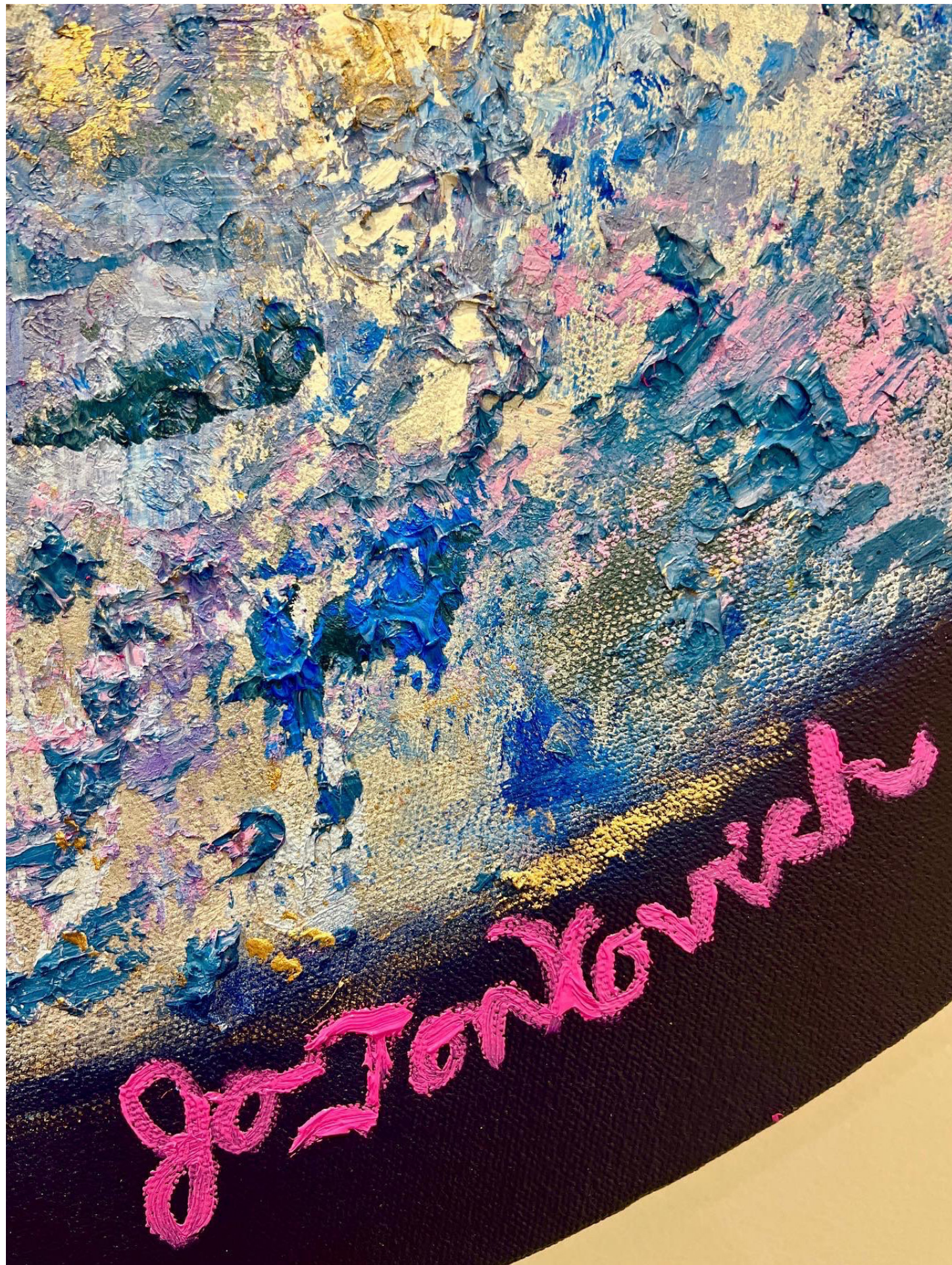


Deep Pink, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 20 x 20 inches



Fushia, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 20 x 20 inches





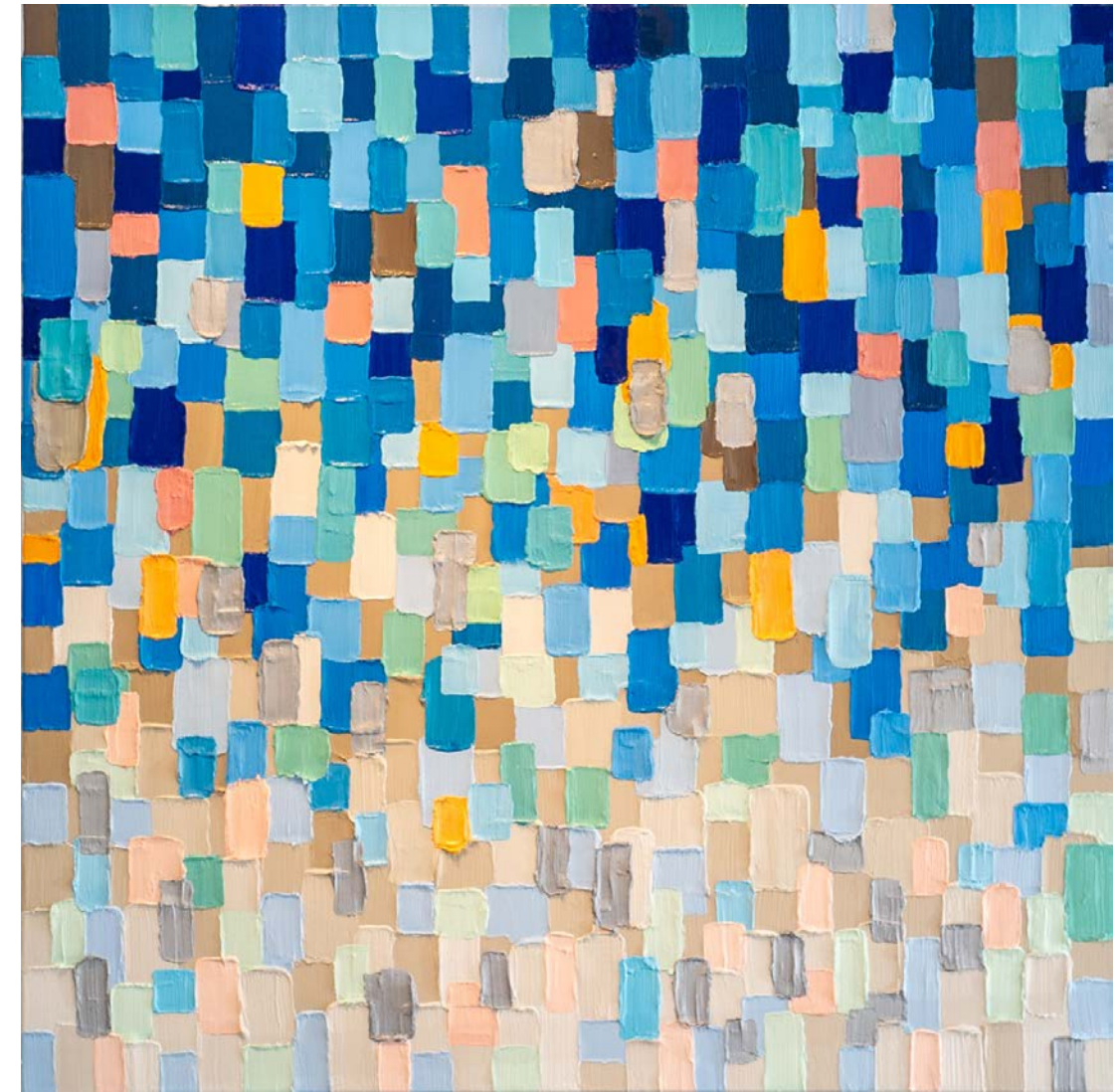
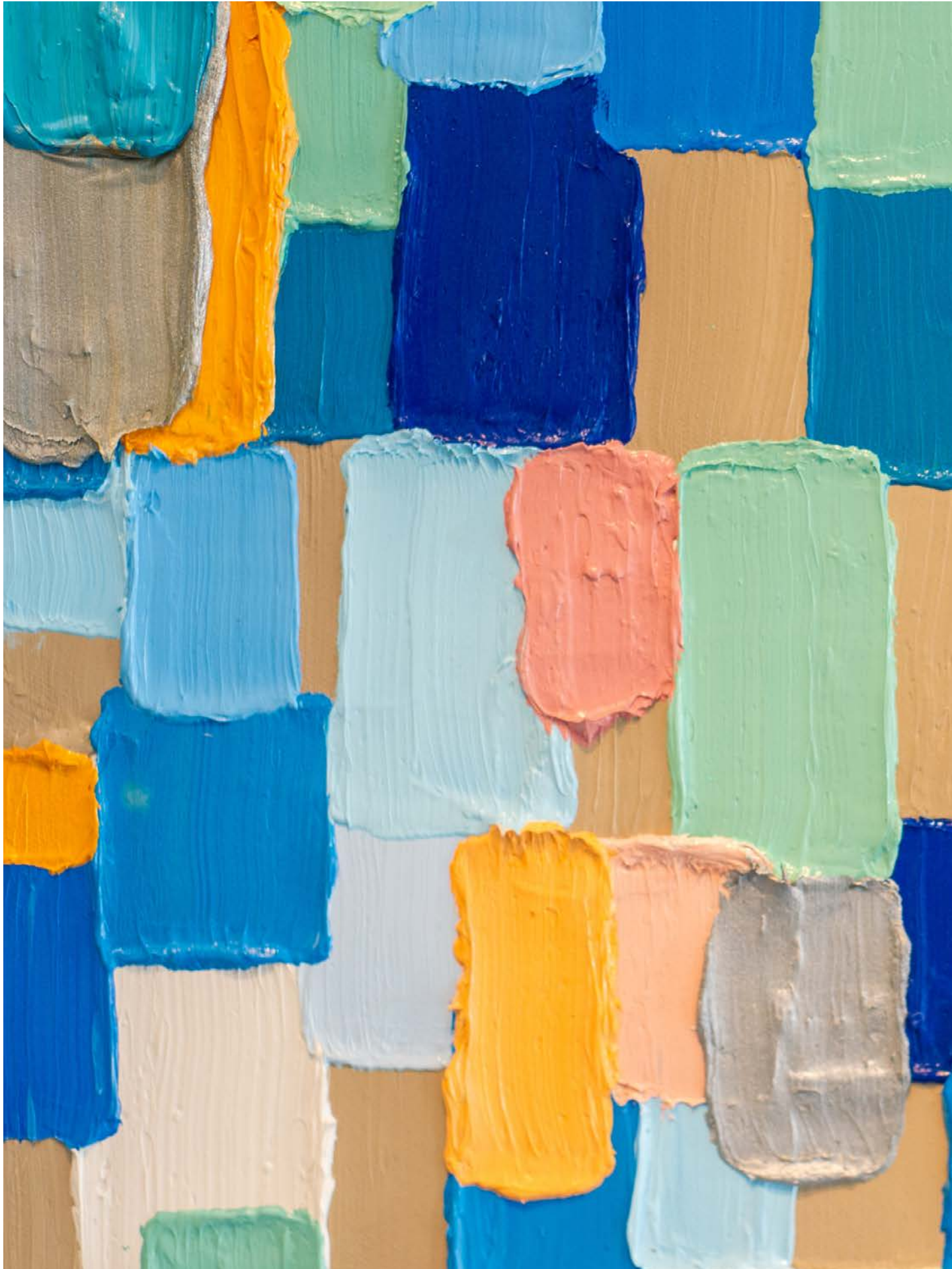
Where Do You Live, 2022, oils on linen, 27 x 27 inches



Blue Patches, 2023, oil on canvas, 26 x 38 inches

Green Patches, 2023, oil on canvas, 26 x 38 inches





Multi Colored Patches, 2023, oil on canvas, 36 x 36 inches

Pink Patches, 2023, oil on canvas, 26 x 38 inches





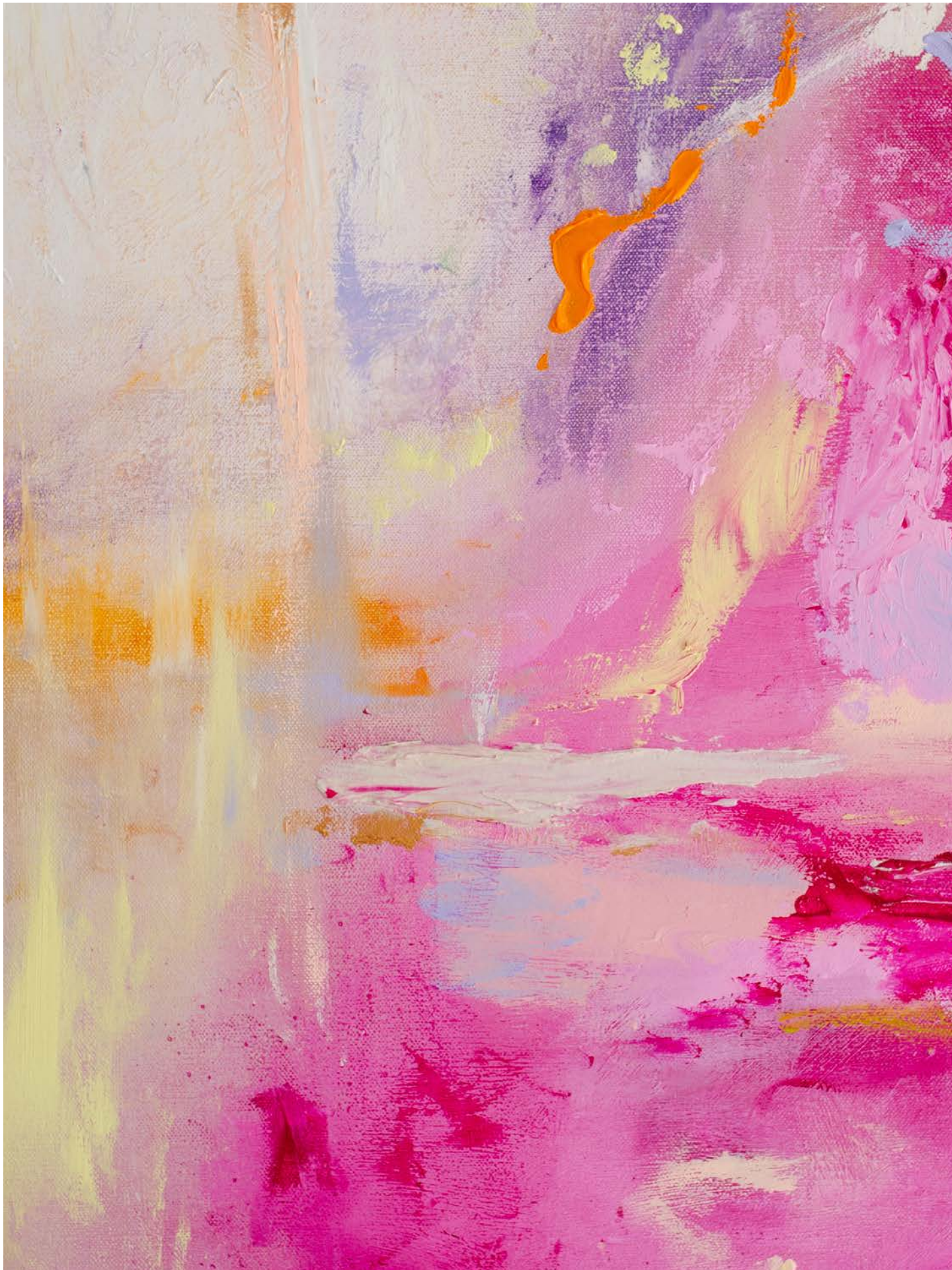
Yellow Patches, 2023, oil on canvas, 26 x 26 inches

Patch Reflections, 2023, oils & spray on linen, 72 x 72 inches

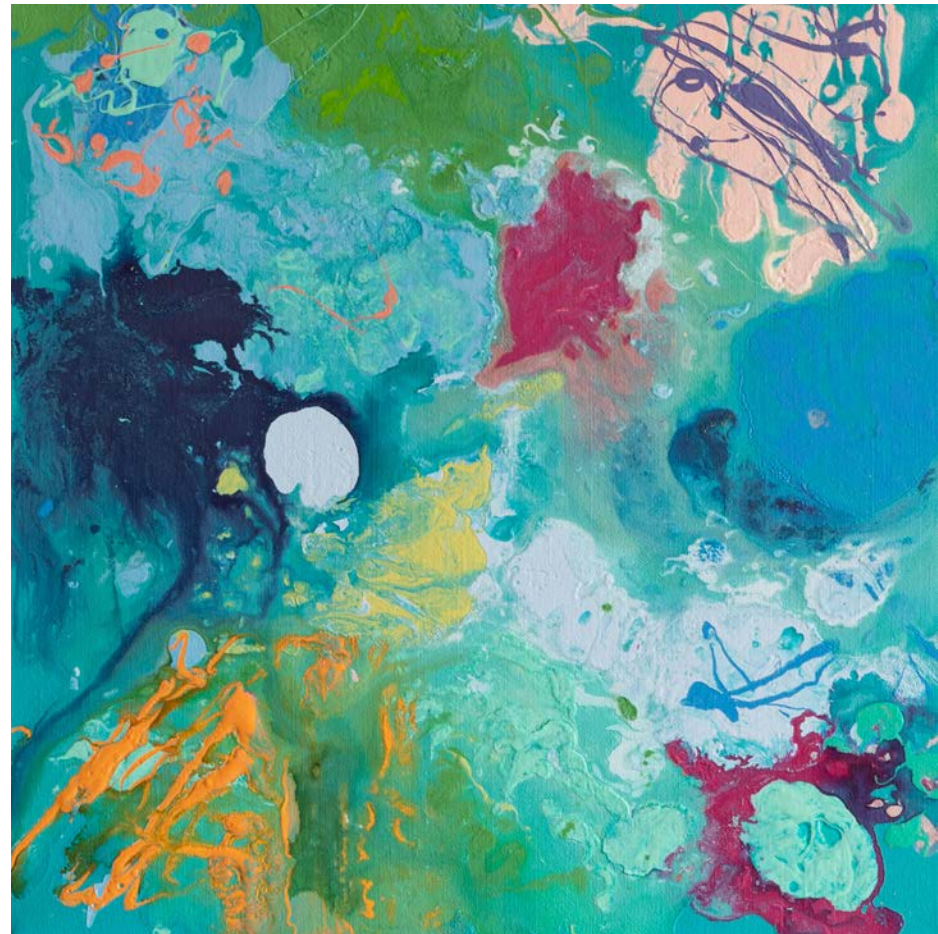




Blue Energy, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 72 x 72 inches



Celebration, 2022, oil on acrylic, 72 x 72 inches



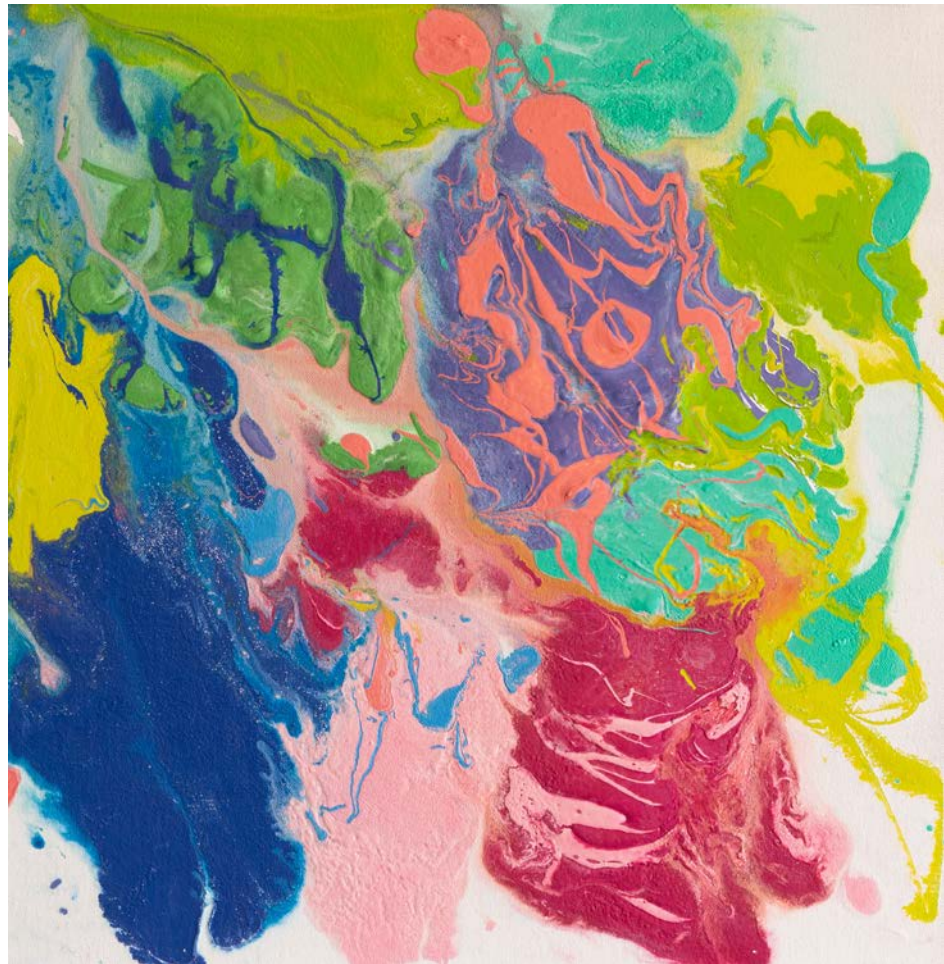
Aqua, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 20 x 20 inches



Deep Blue, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 20 x 20 inches



Ocean, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 20 x 20 inches



Party, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 20 x 20 inches



Installation of Pink Sophistication

2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 48 x 48 inches

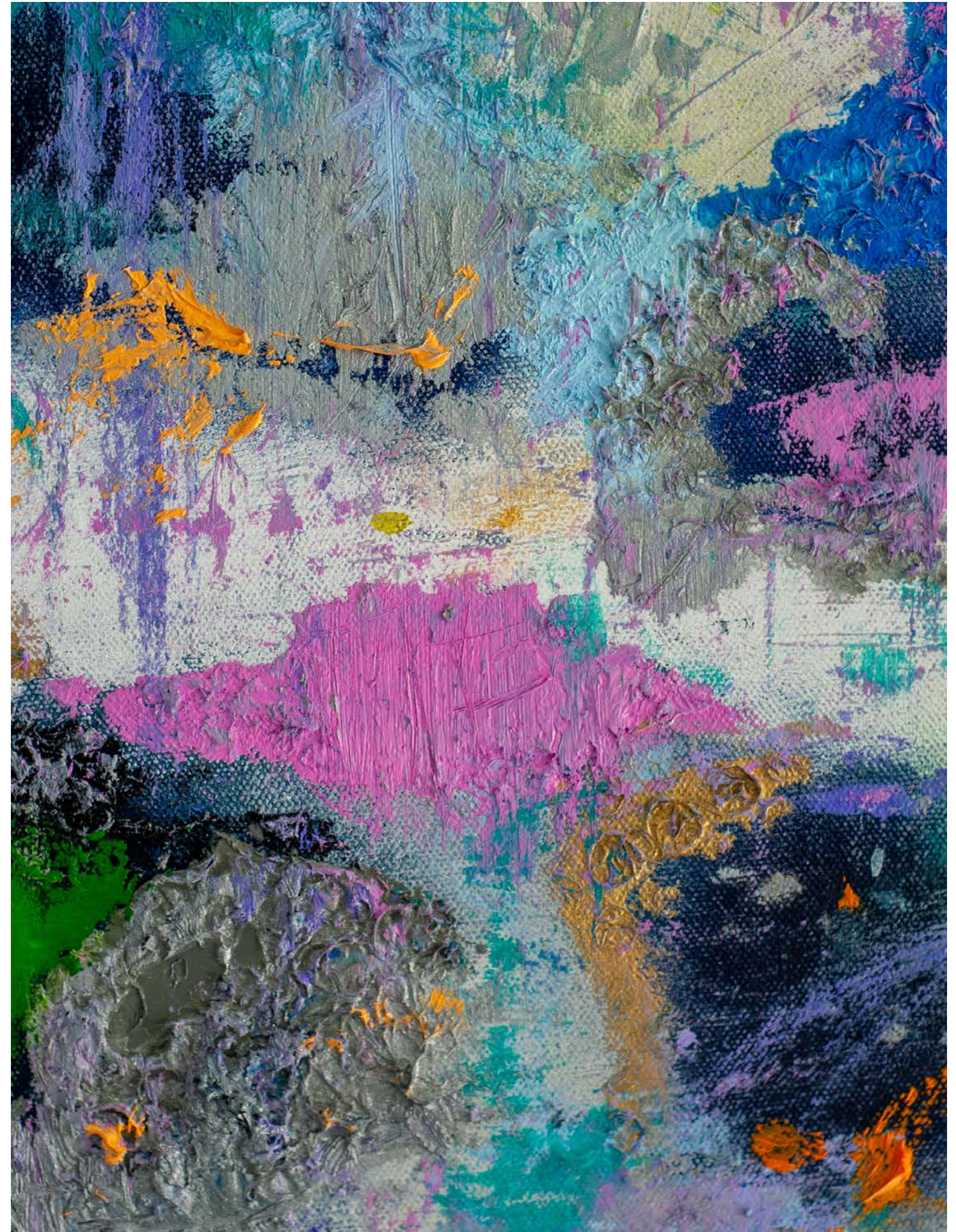


Pink Orbit, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 30 x 30 inches

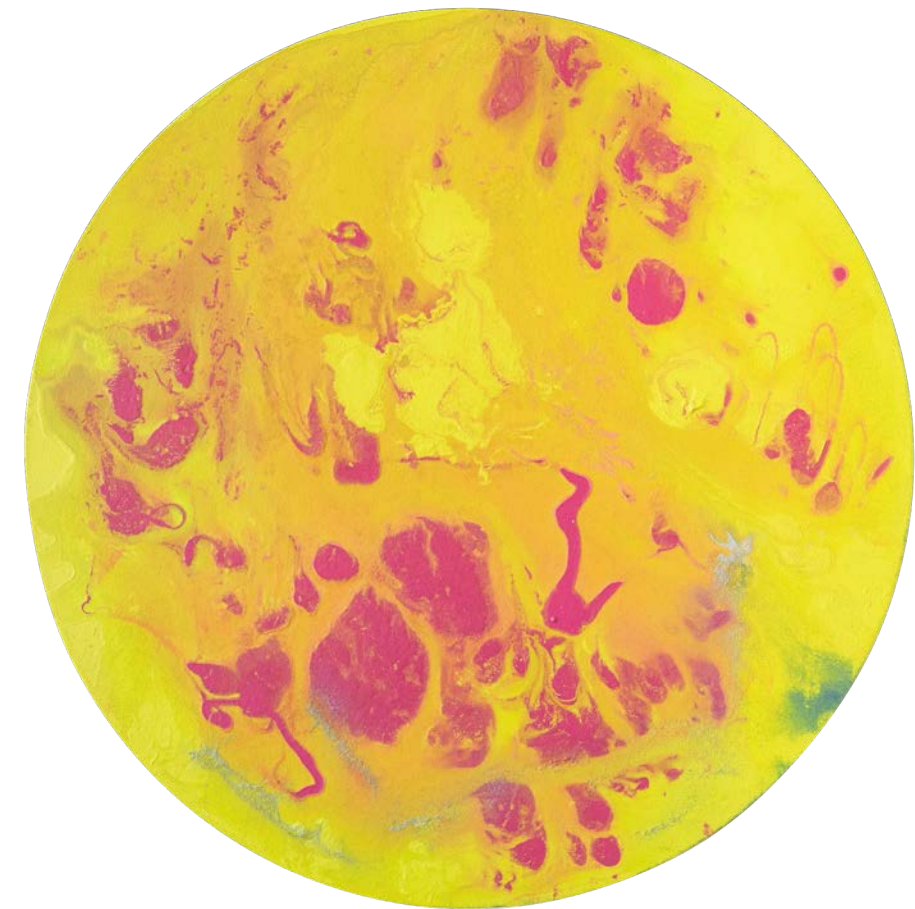




Purple Planet, 2023, oils and spray on linen, 24 x 24 inches



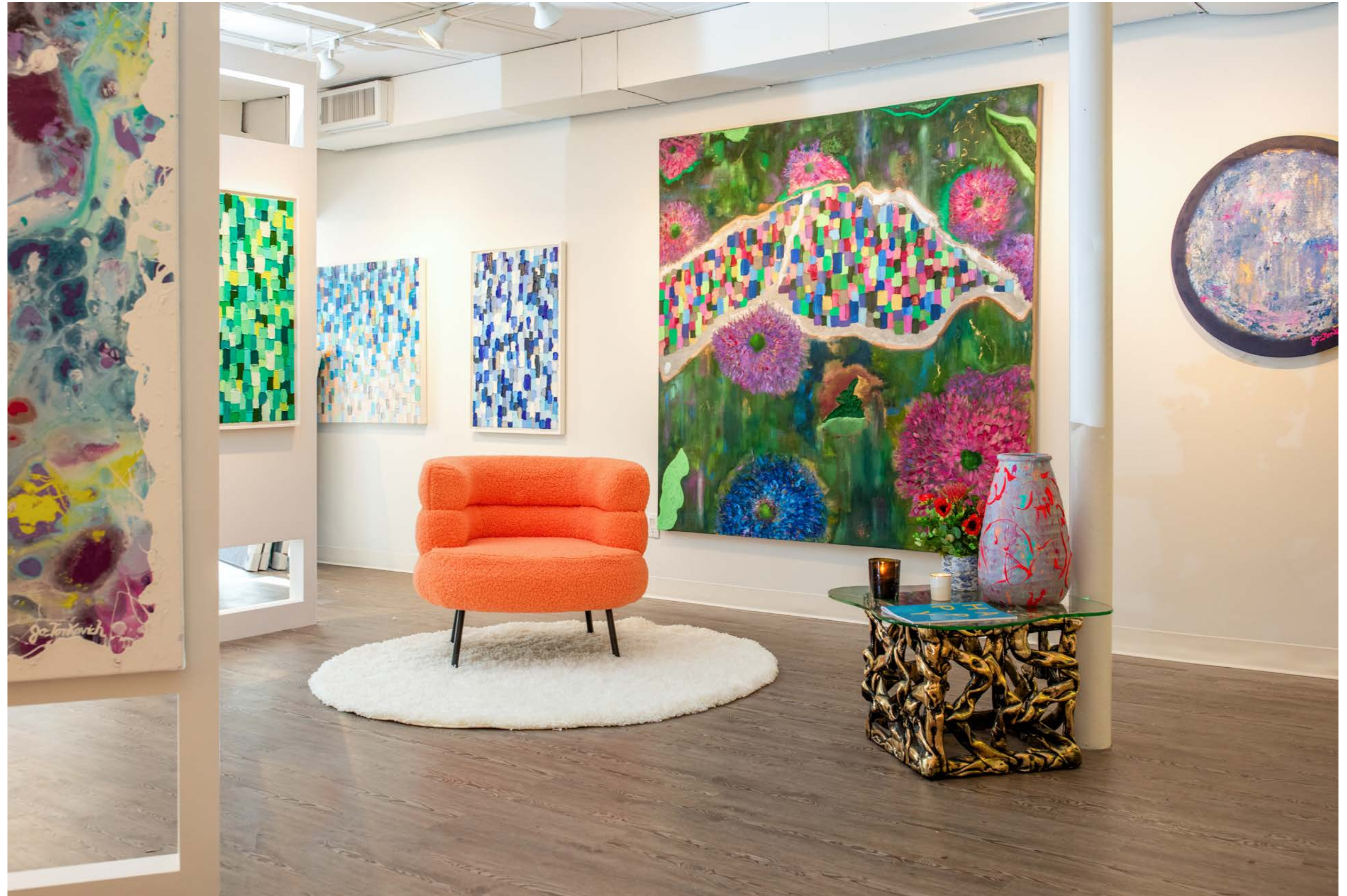
Lime Orbit, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 24 x 24 inches





Mahogany Playground, 2023

Inside TONK, 2023





Blue Drips, 2023, acrylic on linen, 36 x 72 inches



Minty Drips, 2023, acrylic on linen, 49 x 49 inches

Yellow Drips, 2023, acrylic on linen, 36 x 48 inches





Installation of Coral Drips

2022, acrylics on linen, 30 x 40 inches



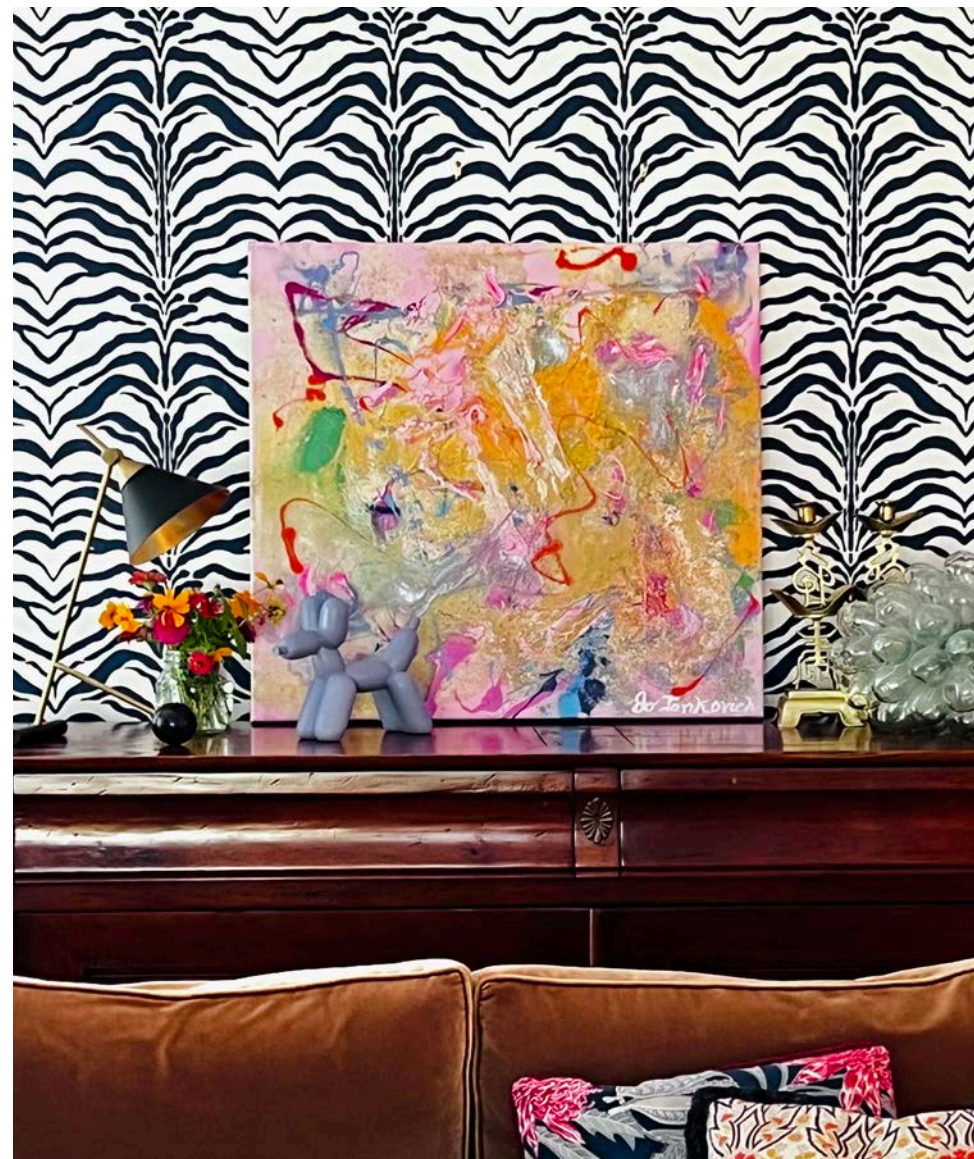
Fanta, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 20 x 20 inches



Festive, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 20 x 20 inches



Gray, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 20 x 20 inches



Installation of Cosmo

2022, acrylics on linen, 30 x 30 inches



Serenity I, 2023, acrylic on canvas, 36 x 38 inches

Serenity II, 2023, acrylic on canvas, 38 x 38 inches



Serenity III, 2023, acrylic on canvas, 30 x 24 inches



Serenity IV, 2023, acrylic on canvas, 38 x 38 inches



Serenity V, 2023, acrylic on canvas, 38 x 38 inches





Positive Vibes, 2022, acrylics in watercolors on linen, 48 x 48 inches

Angel Wings, 2023, oils & spray on canvas, 40 x 40 inches

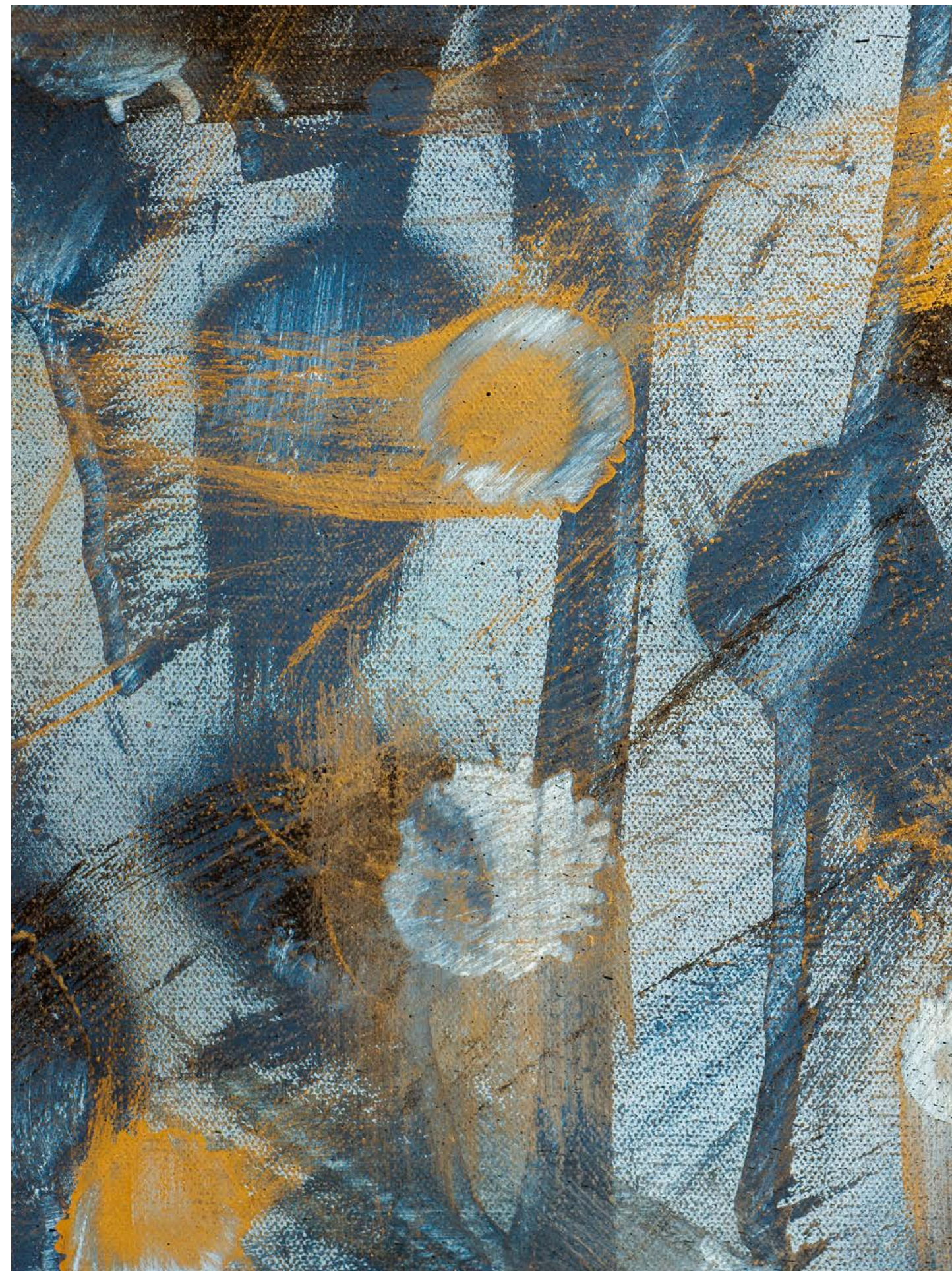




Volcanic Sky, 2022
acrylics in watercolors on linen
72 x 36 inches



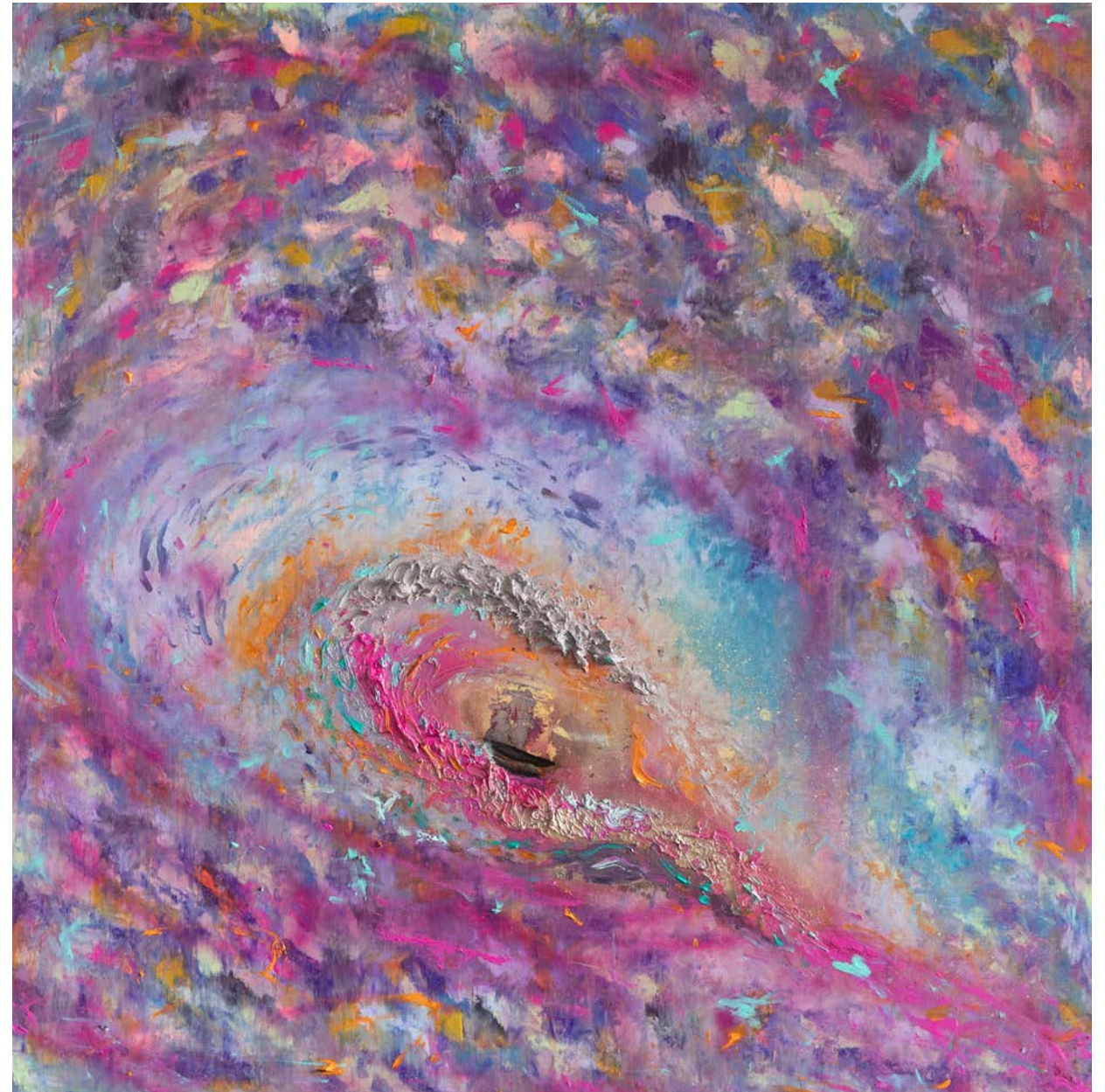
Comets, 2023, sprays on cotton canvas, 40 x 50 inches





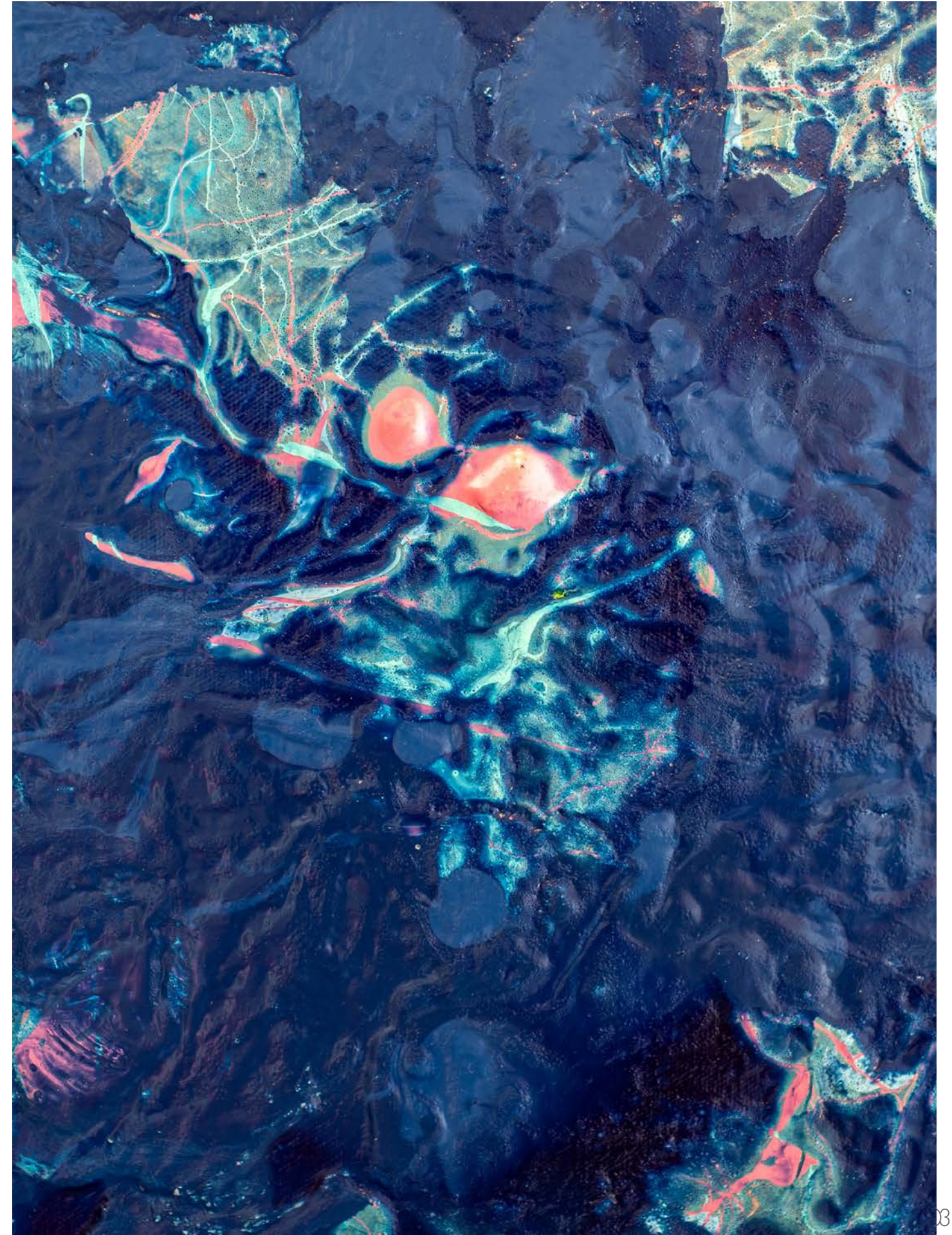
Skyfall, 2023, sprays on canvas, 36 x 36 inches

Endurance, 2022, oil on acrylic, 48 x 48 inches



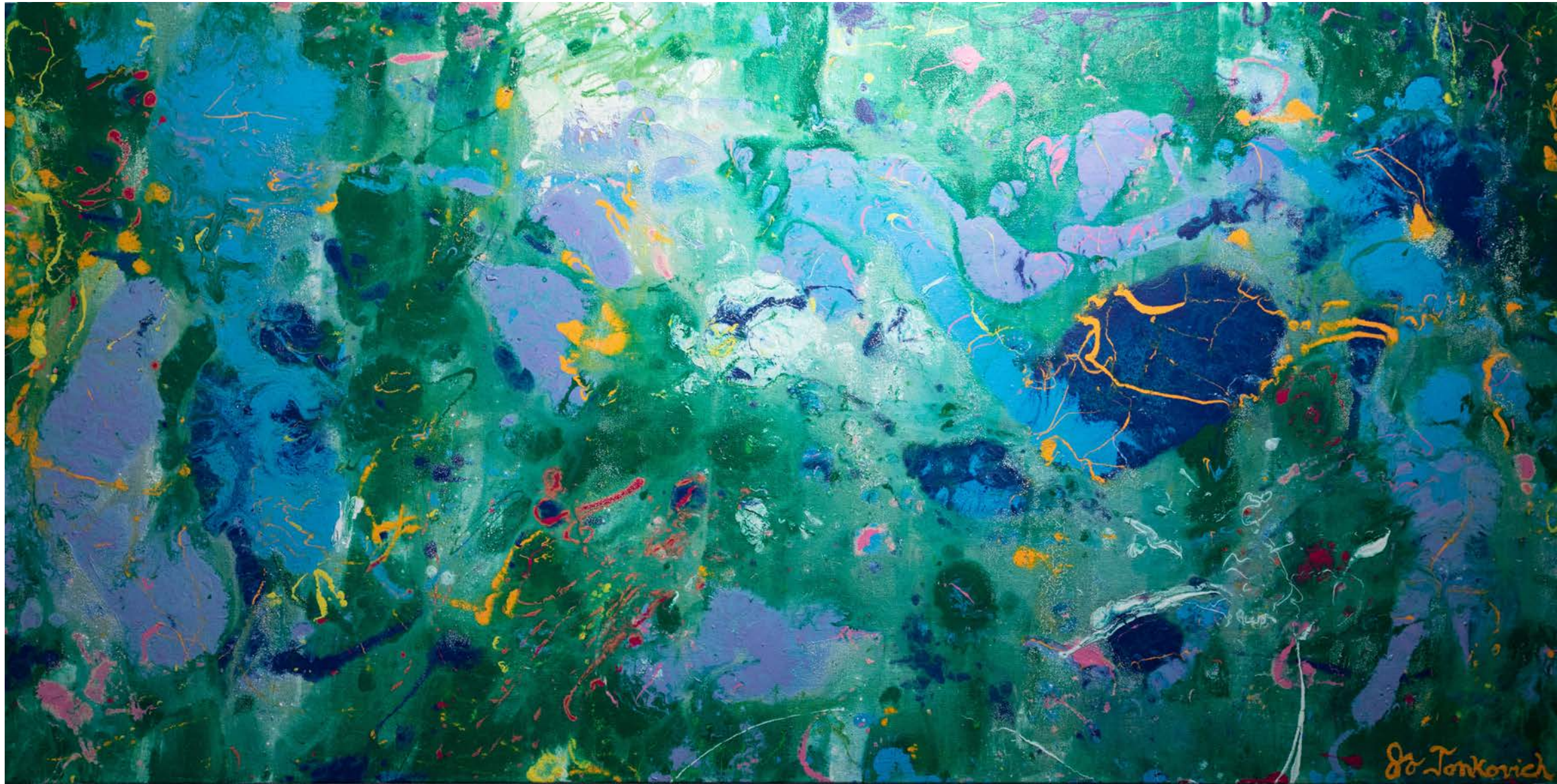


Blue Coral, 2023, acrylic on canvas, 40 x 45 inches

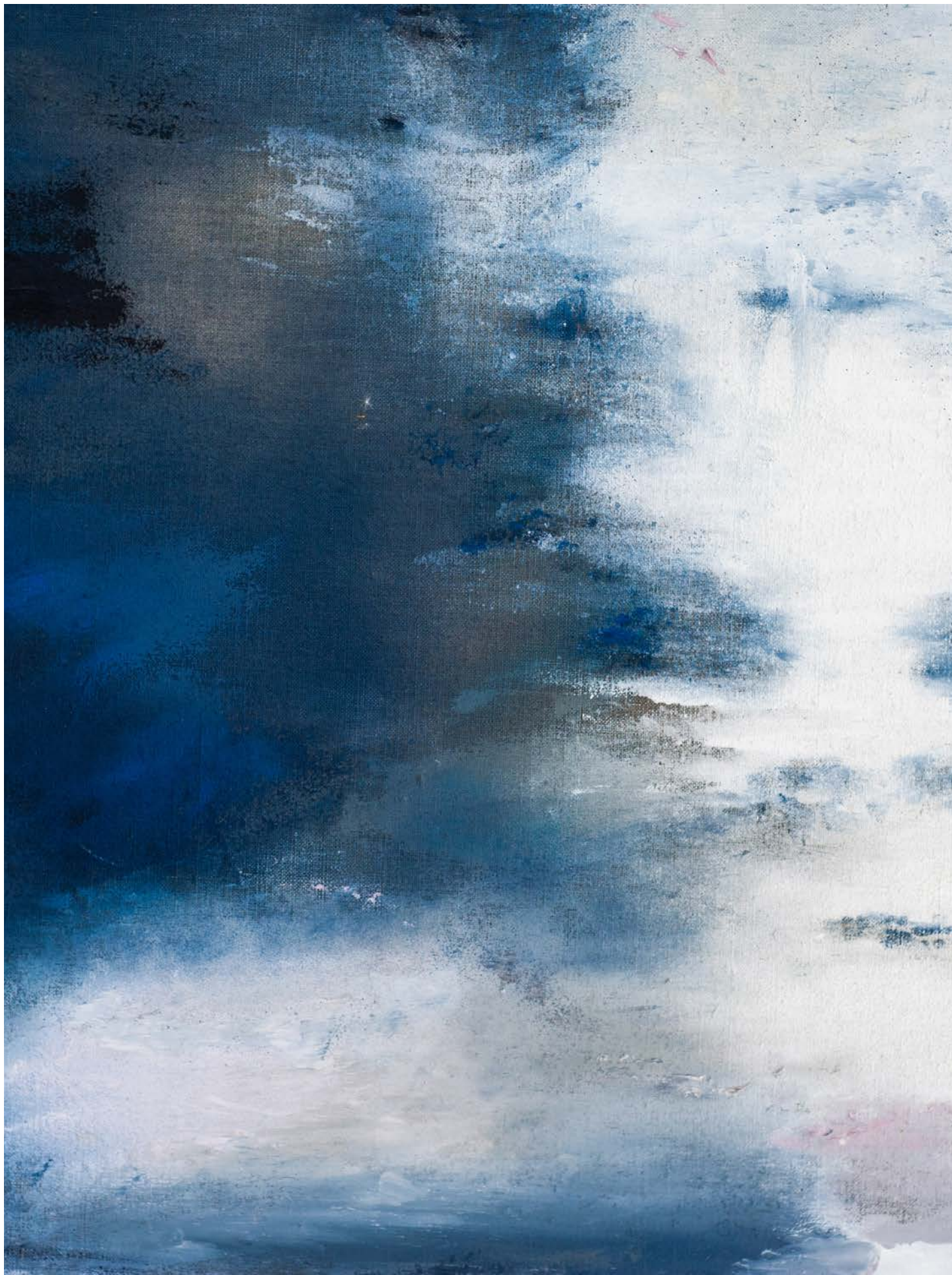


Kaleidoscope Sunset, 2023, oil on linen, 48 x 48 inches

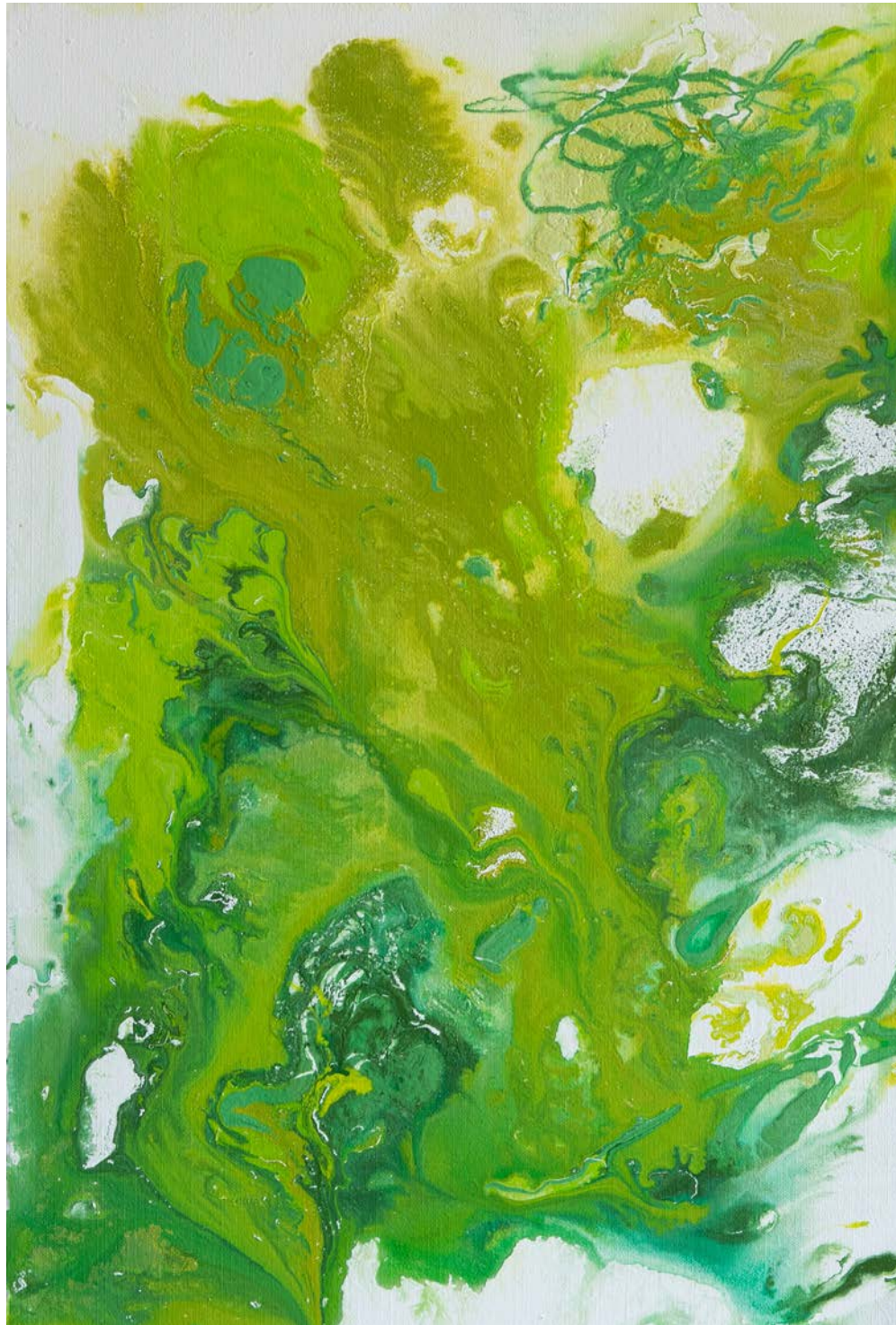




Under the Sea, 2022
acrylics in watercolors on linen
72 x 36 inches



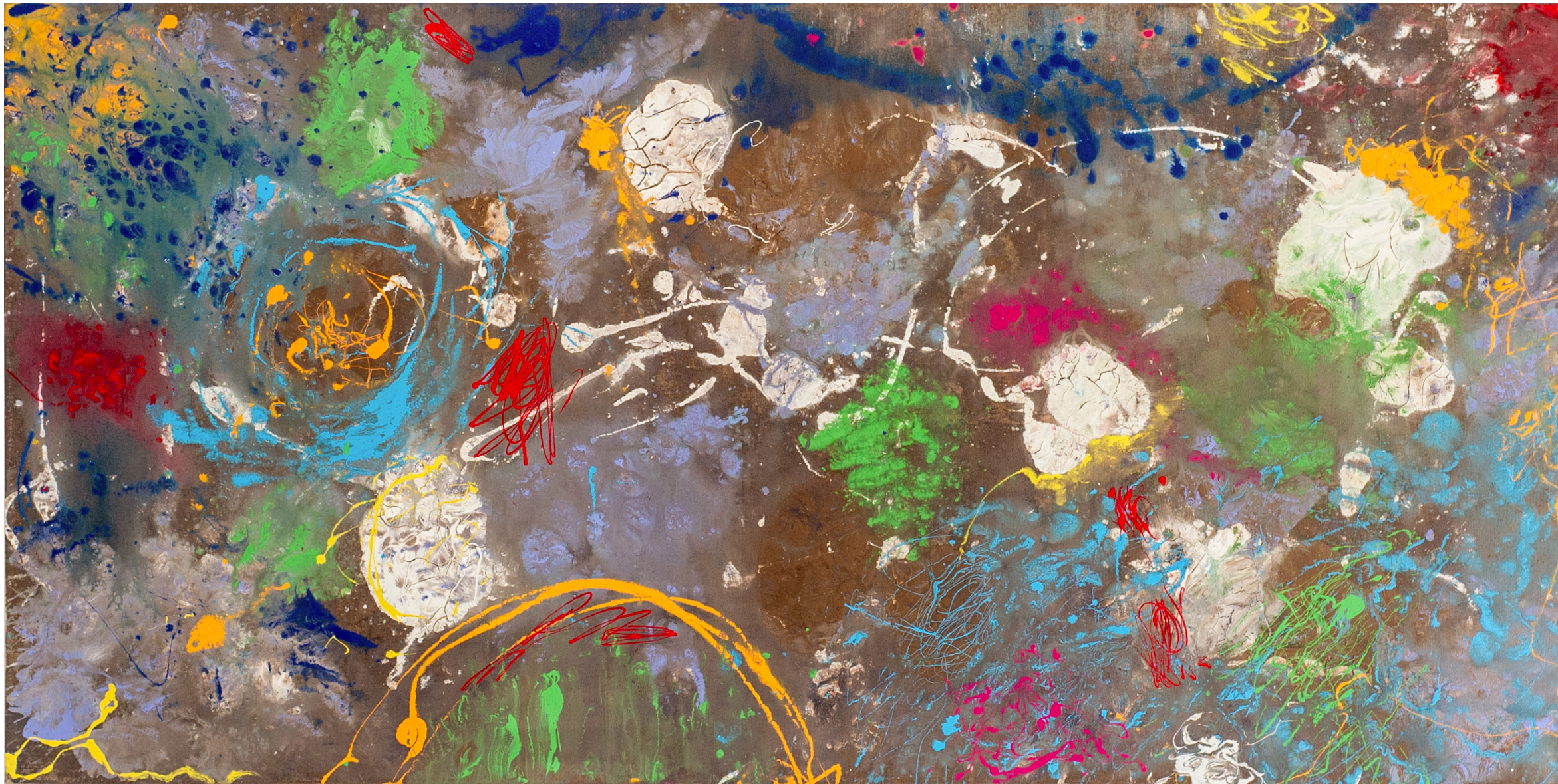
Moonlit Clouds, 2023, oil on linen, 48 x 48 inches



Moss I,II, III & IV, 2022
acrylics in watercolors on linen
16 x 24 inches



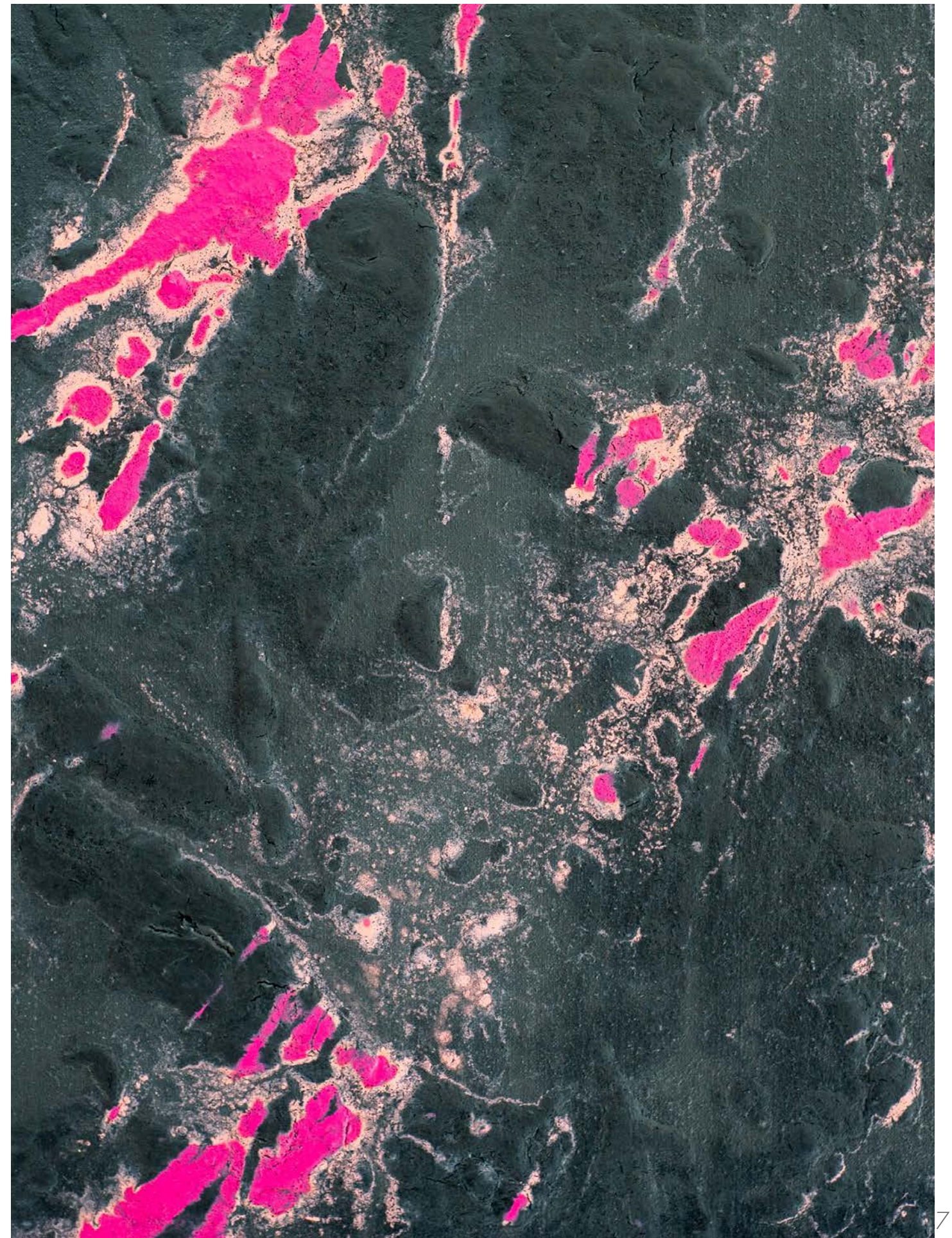
Mystery Woman, 2023, oil and sprays on canvas, 38 x 38 inches



Mahogoney Playground, 2023
acrylics on linen
72 x 36 inches



Pink Fire, 2023, acrylic on linen, 48 x 48 inches



Frame Construction

Ari Park

Even the process of creating the frame and canvas is an art at TONK. Jo works with Frame Artisan Ari Park of A.P. Canvas to ensure precision and canvas perfection for each piece before the painting begins. The wood-working is a mastery as well as the stretching of exquisite linen. The architecture of what Jo envisions is brought to life with Ari's carpentry skills. Trained by a top Frame Artisan in New York, Ari is truly the best in his craft and a staple of each TONK piece.



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