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## Press Release: London Dreams at Highgate Gallery, 10 – 23 June 2022



### *London Dreams*

Highgate Gallery, 11 South Grove, Highgate, London, N6 6BS

10 - 23 June 2022, open Tues - Fri 1pm - 5pm, Sat 11am - 4pm, Sun 11am - 5pm

Private View: Fri 10 June, 6pm-8.30pm

[www.tinaleslie.com/londondreams](http://www.tinaleslie.com/londondreams)

London-based artist Tina Leslie is pleased to present her latest exhibition at Highgate Gallery this summer, where she will showcase a selection of paintings inspired by both city and nature in mixed media and oil.

*London Dreams* is an impressionistic journey through the shapes, colours, and textures of London. It explores the structures of the city, forming patterns which respond to its many and varied sculptural forms.

From Hampstead Heath to Primrose Hill to Alexandra Palace, Tina weaves pathways through the contrasting architectures of buildings such as St Paul's and the Shard. Along the Silver Thames she plays with colour and light. She invites you to engage with different perspectives through proximity and distance, gaining birds eye views and diving down into detailed interpretations of the life force of the capital.

Tina's London paintings seek to explore the dynamism and balance of the urban context, doing justice to the monumental city while exploring the details within the beating heart of the cityscape.

In her series 'Nature's Threads', Tina has sought inspiration from a very different source.

She has explored an intuitive desire to return to nature as a theme, attending to the interplay between photography, colourful acrylics, pastels on board and painting. There was a natural

fluency which emerged spontaneously through this journey, researching the movement, shapes, colour and line in evocative weaving of lattice forms in branches, blooms, flowers and trees. The work explores the magic and the majesty of the art in nature.

Both themes celebrate enjoyment of the exciting possibilities of abstract pattern, energetic rhythms and vibrant colours.

### **Notes for editors:**

#### **Tina Leslie**

Tina has been a fine artist for 35 years, developing and evolving her own style and approach through a wide range of media including pottery, ceramic sculpture, paintings in oil, and mixed media.

Exhibitions have included: Respiro at Camden Image Gallery, Inside Outside, and Architects of the Imagination at The Ply Gallery Hornsey Town Hall, and the annual Open Studios Weekends at Kingsgate Workshops. In March 2022, Tina exhibited at Oxmarket Contemporary in Chichester.

<https://www.tinaleslie.com/>

#### **Highgate Gallery**

A bright, contemporary gallery with a varied exhibition programme, Highgate Gallery was founded in 1994 and is a modern space housed in the 19th-century vaulted hall within the HLSI.

<https://hlsi.net/highgate-gallery/>

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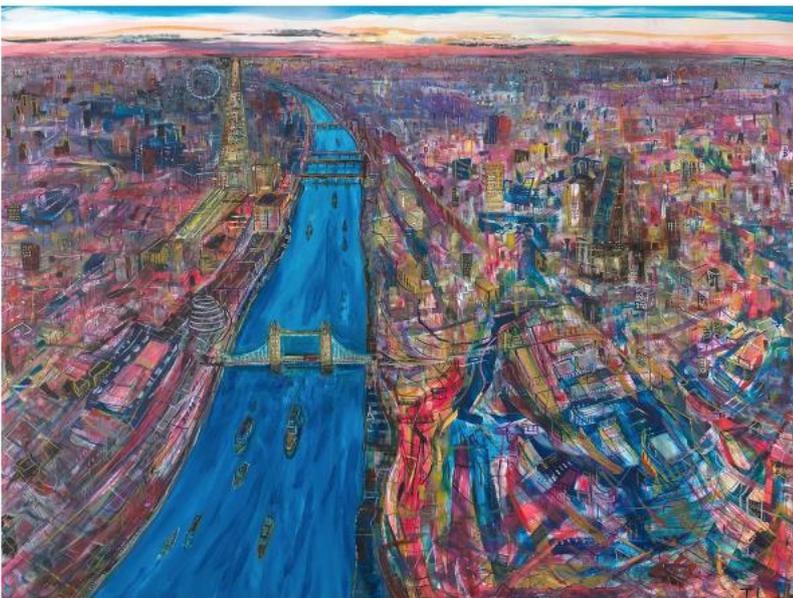
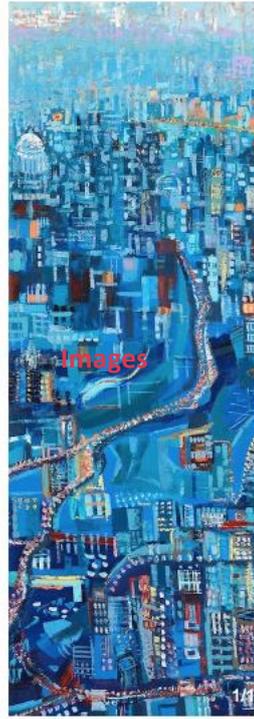
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## Images



### Clockwise from top left:

*Talk Talk, 90 x 31 cm, £700, Oil on canvas, 2021*

*Heart Beat, 150 x 56 cm, £1,700, Oil on canvas, 2021*

*Dusk, 90 x 31 cm, £700, Oil on canvas, 2021*

*Winter, 117 x 91.5 cm, £1,900, Mixed Media, 2020*

*Silver Thames, 118 x 92 cm, £1,900, Mixed Media, 2015*

*London Dreams, 119 x 95 cm, £1,900, Mixed Media, 2019*