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GRGUR AKRAP

Gardener, 2024
oil and wax on canvas
73 x 42 inches, 186 x 106 cm.

\$9,500

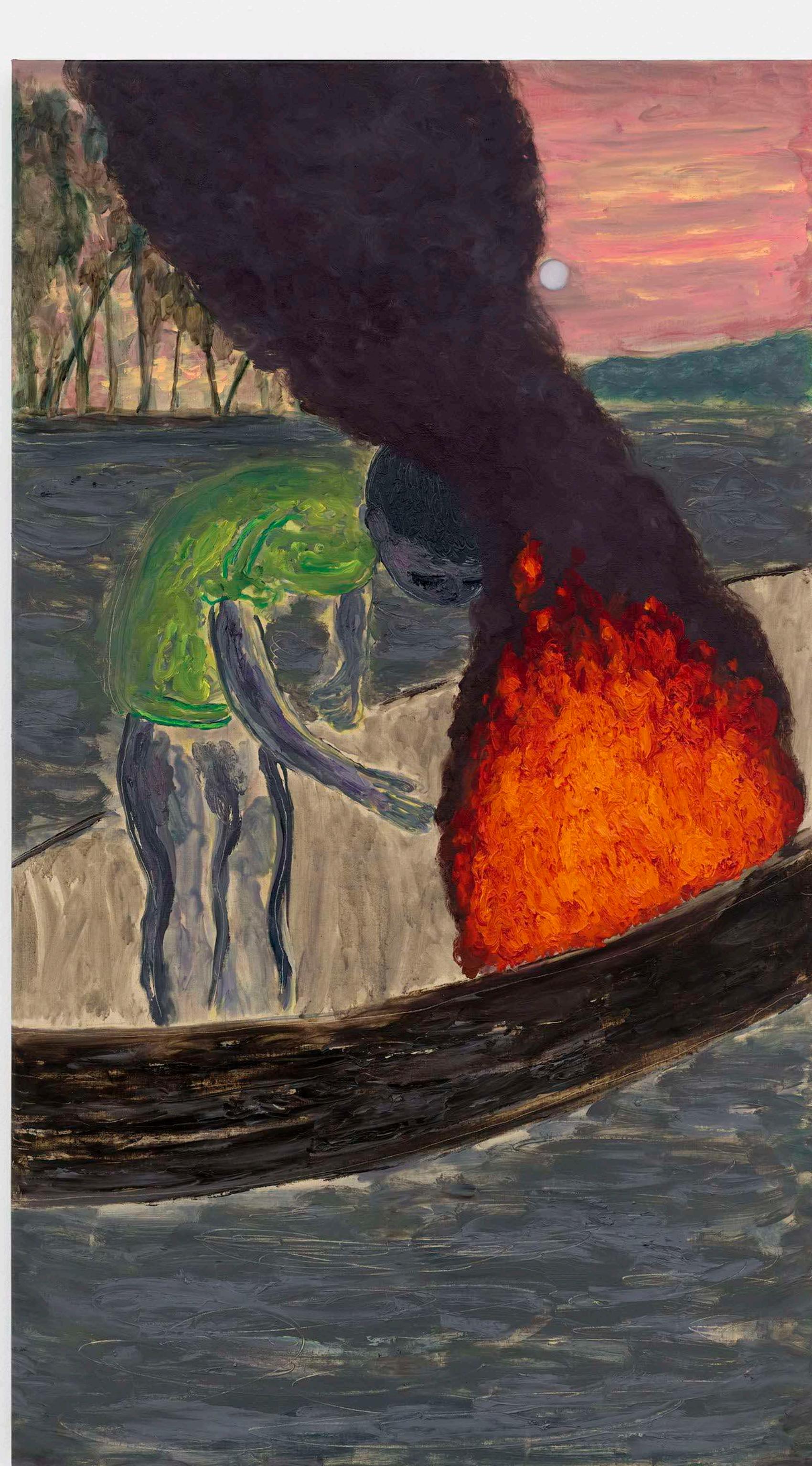




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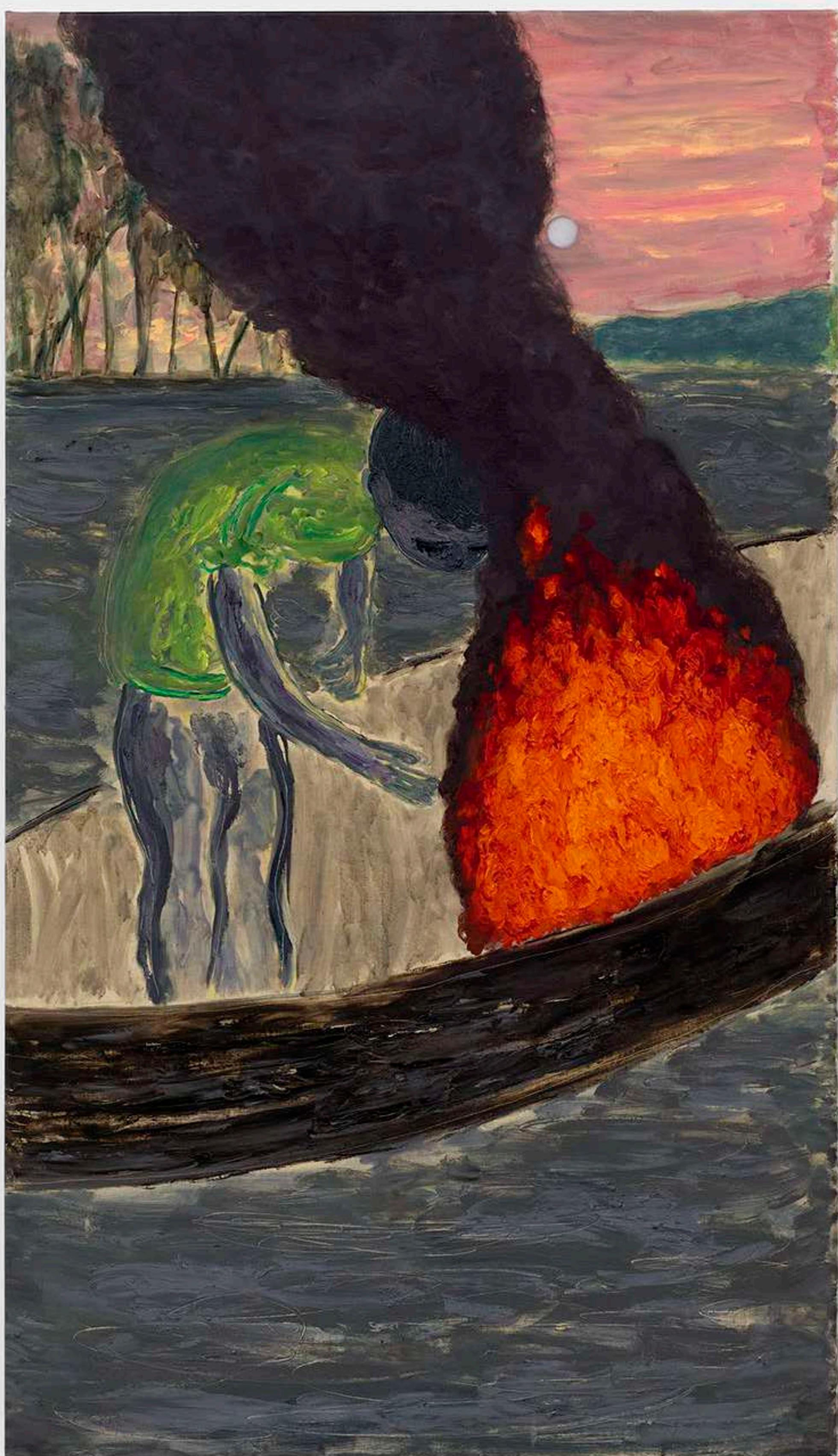
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Boat on Fire, 2024
oil and wax on canvas
73 x 42 inches, 186 x 106 cm.

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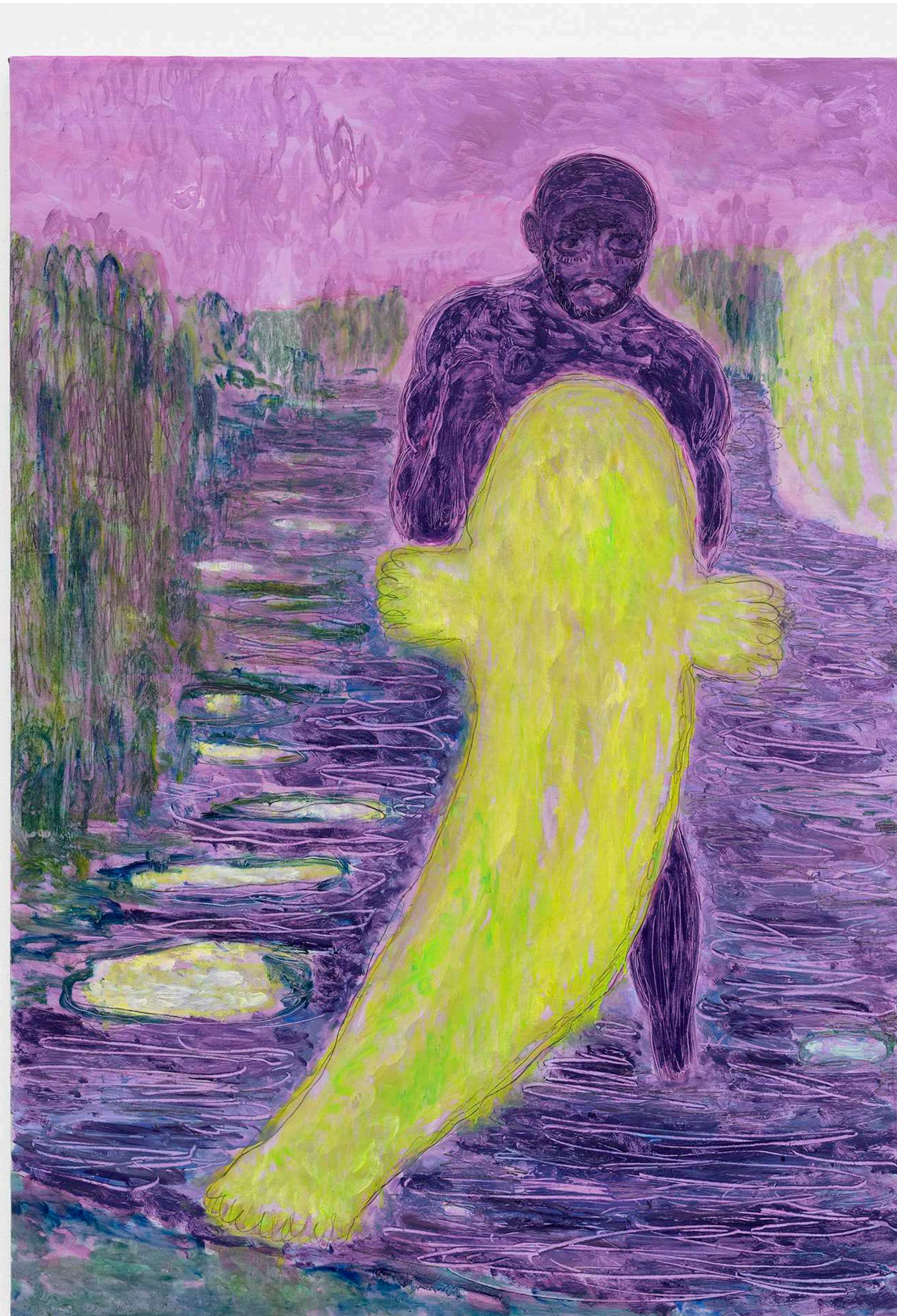




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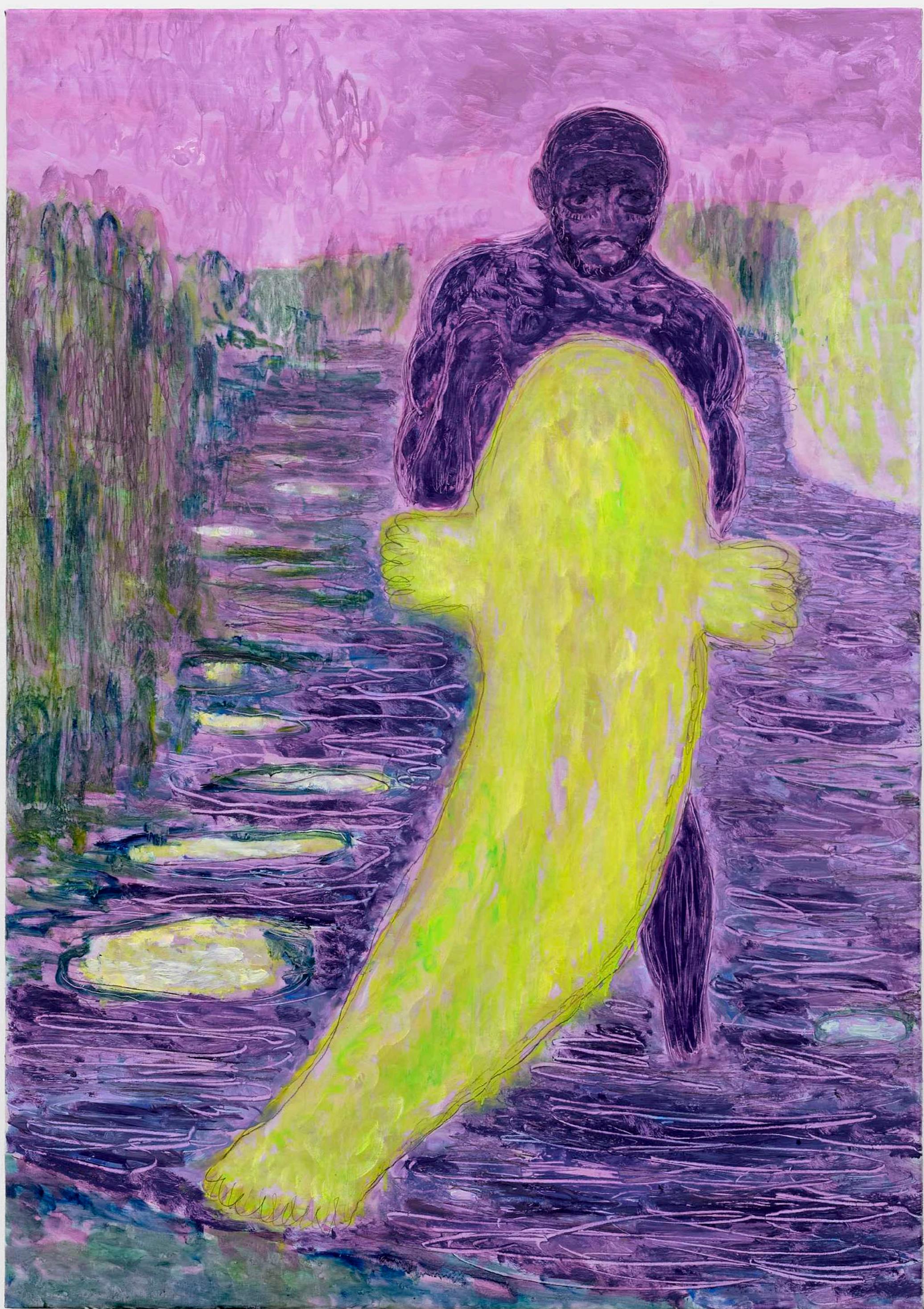
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GRGUR AKRAP

Golden Fish, 2025
oil and wax on canvas
60 x 43 inches, 153 x 108 cm.

\$7,500





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GRGUR AKRAP

Red Studio, 2025
oil and wax on canvas
51 x 51 inches, 130 x 130 cm.

\$7,500

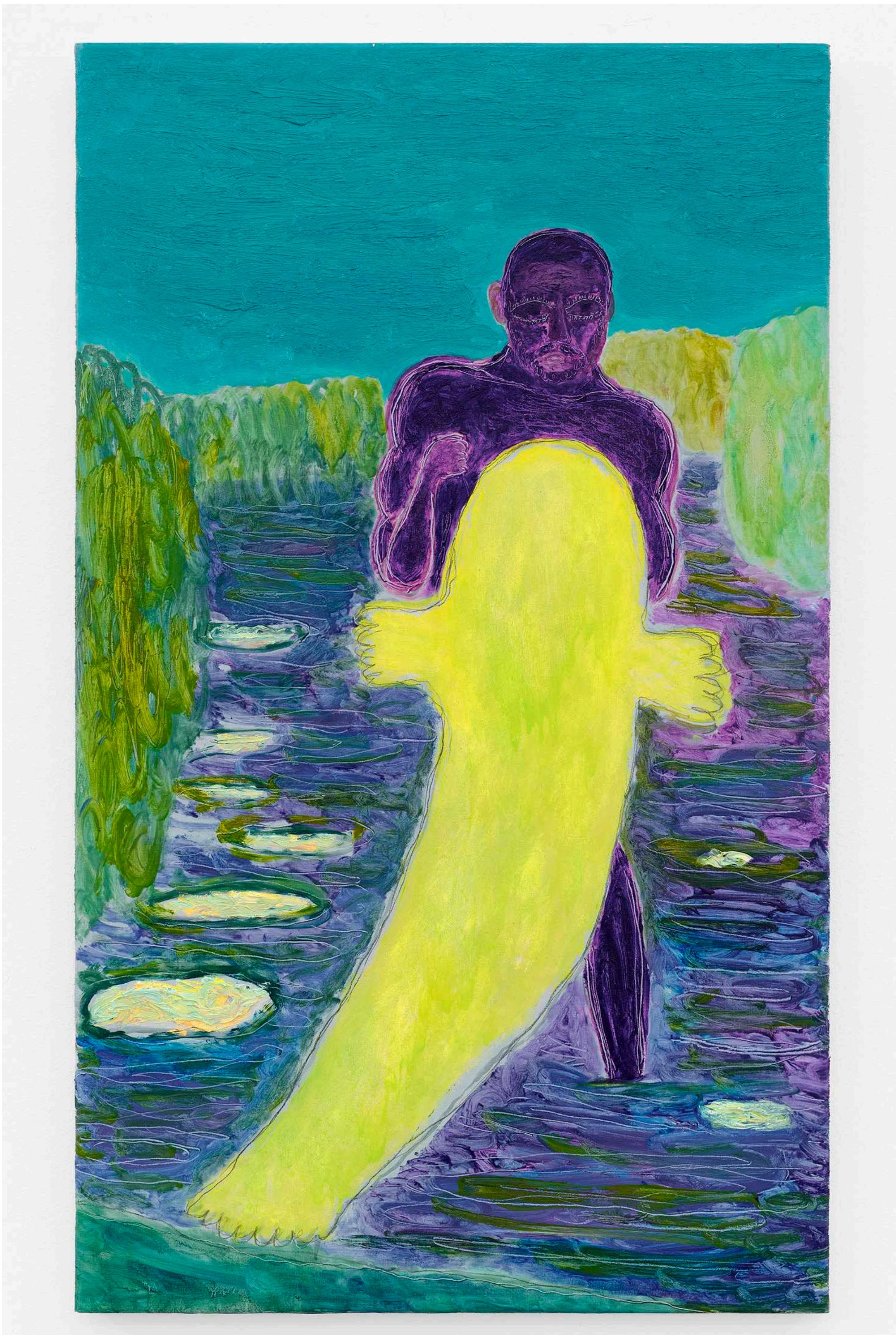




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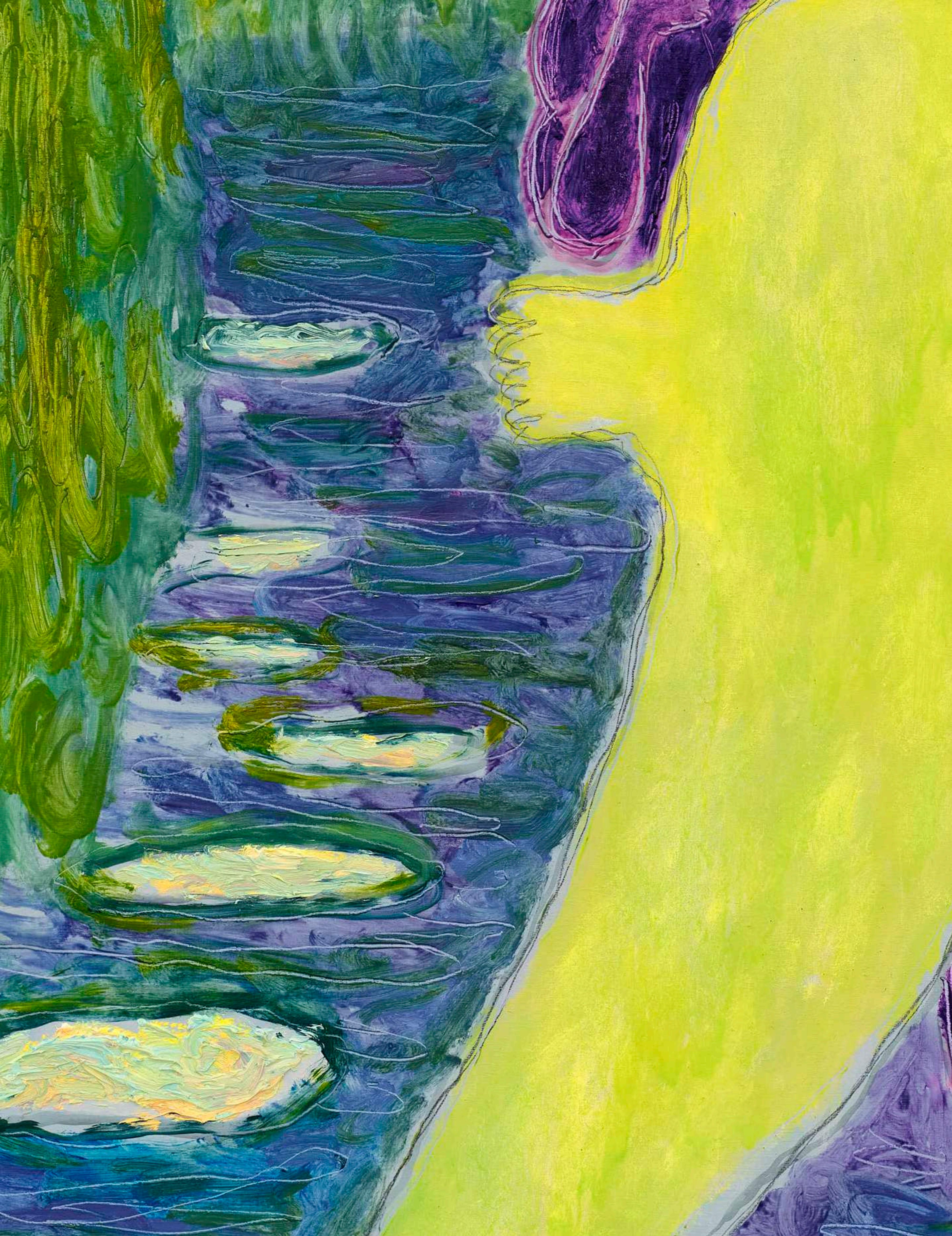
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GRGUR AKRAP

Golden Fish, 2025
oil and wax on canvas
43 x 26 inches, 110 x 65 cm.

\$4,750

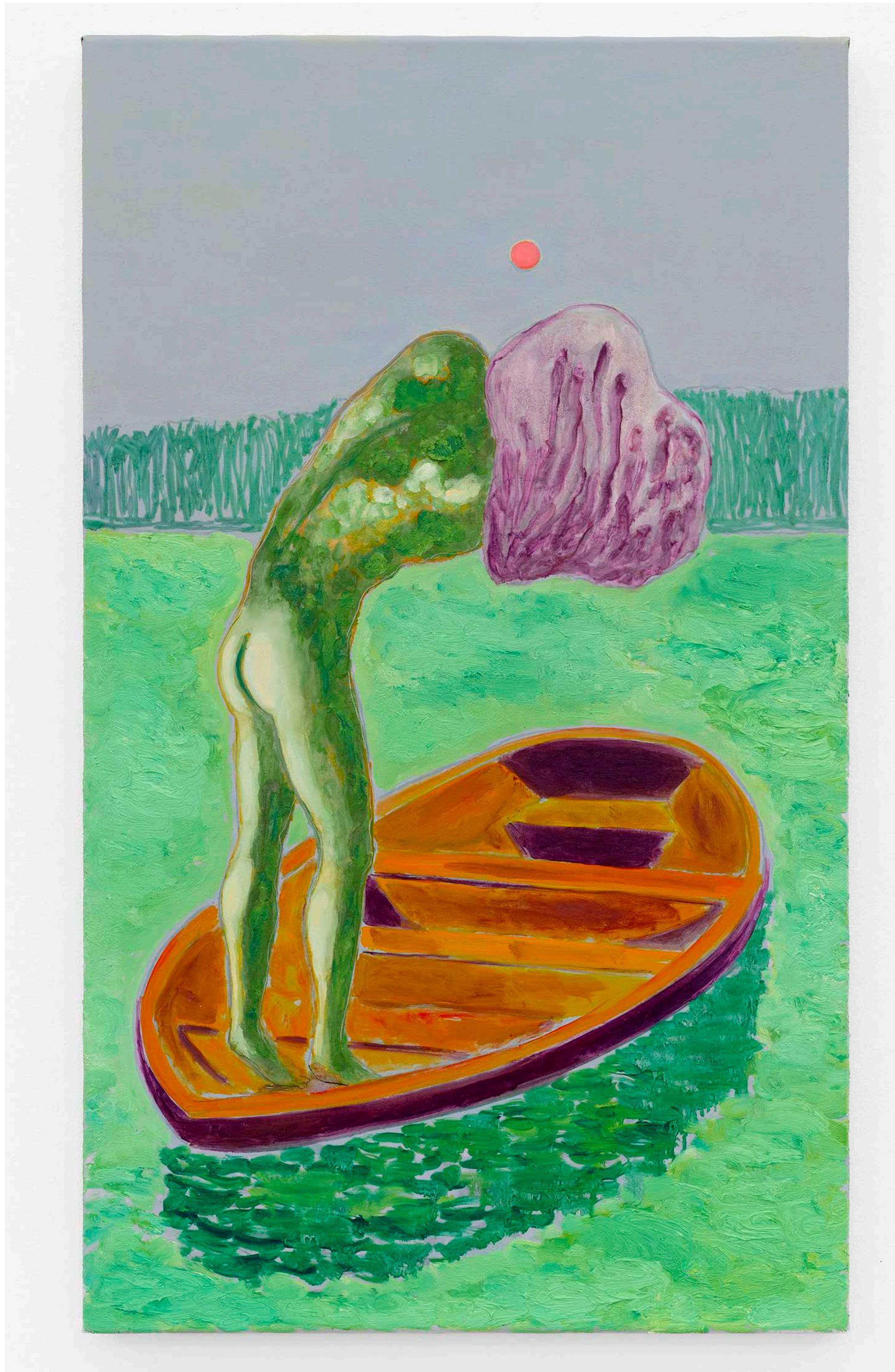




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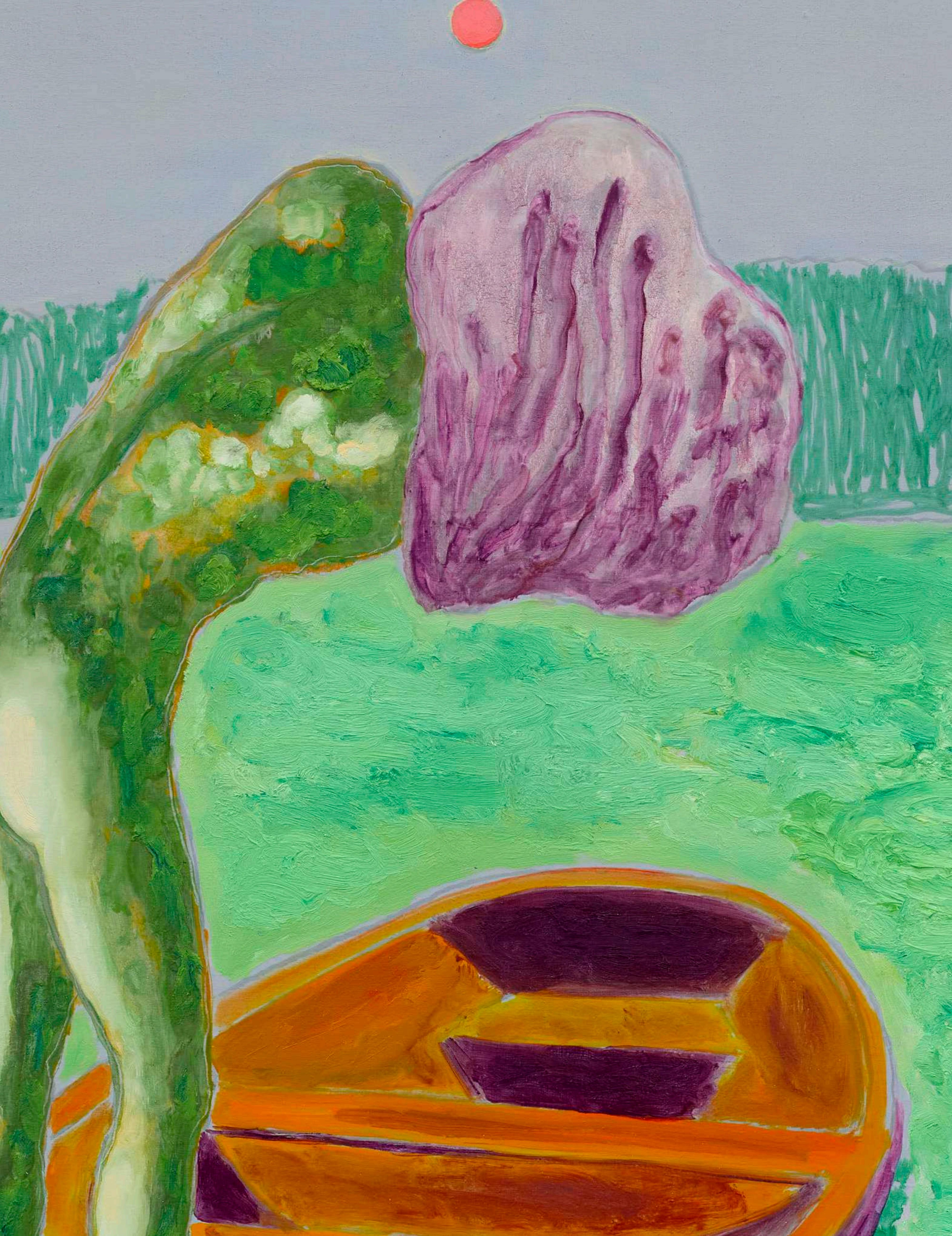
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GRGUR AKRAP

Exuviae, 2025
oil and wax on canvas
43 x 26 inches, 110 x 65 cm.

\$4,750

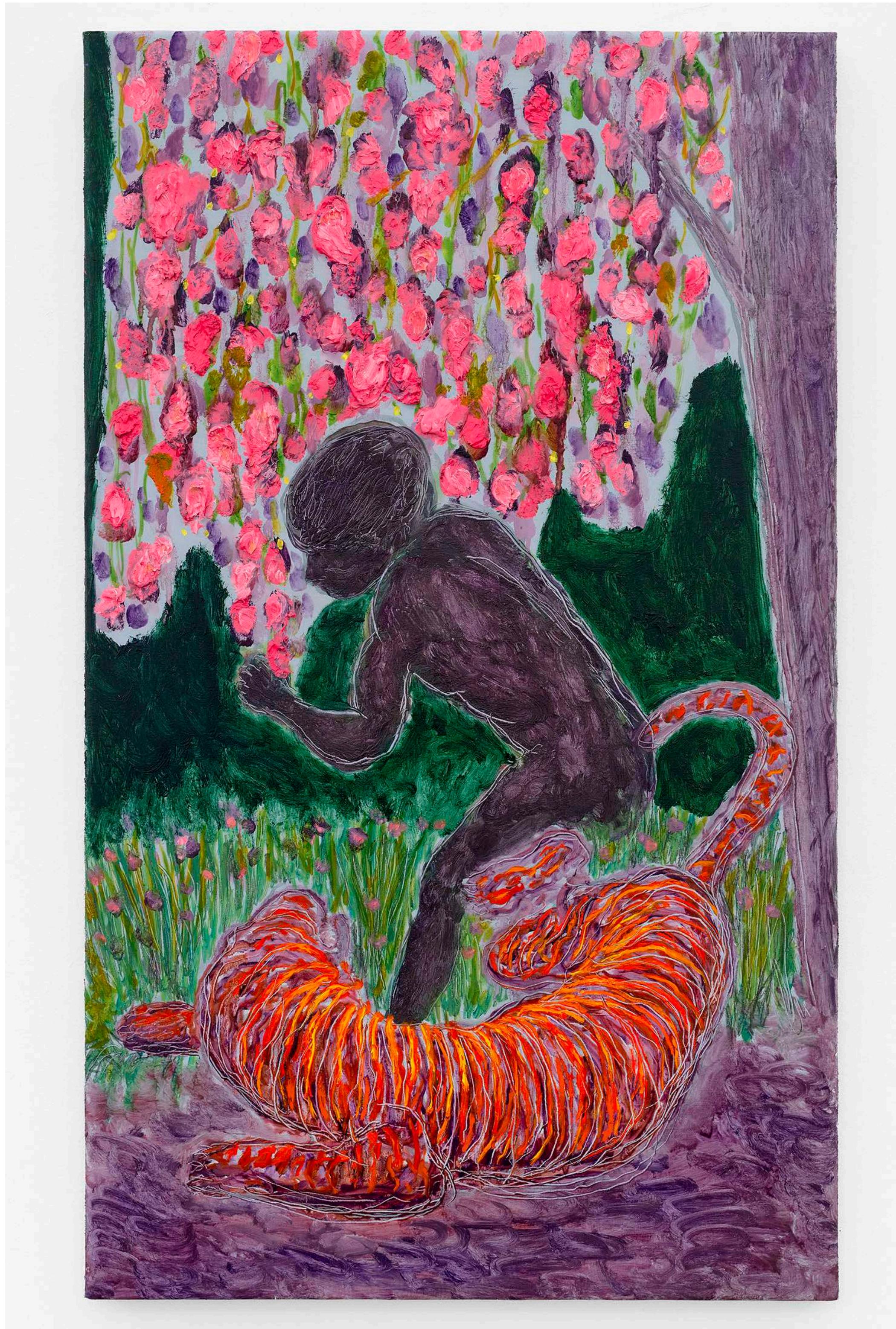




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GRGUR AKRAP

Spring Tree, 2025
oil and wax on canvas
43 x 26 inches, 110 x 65 cm.

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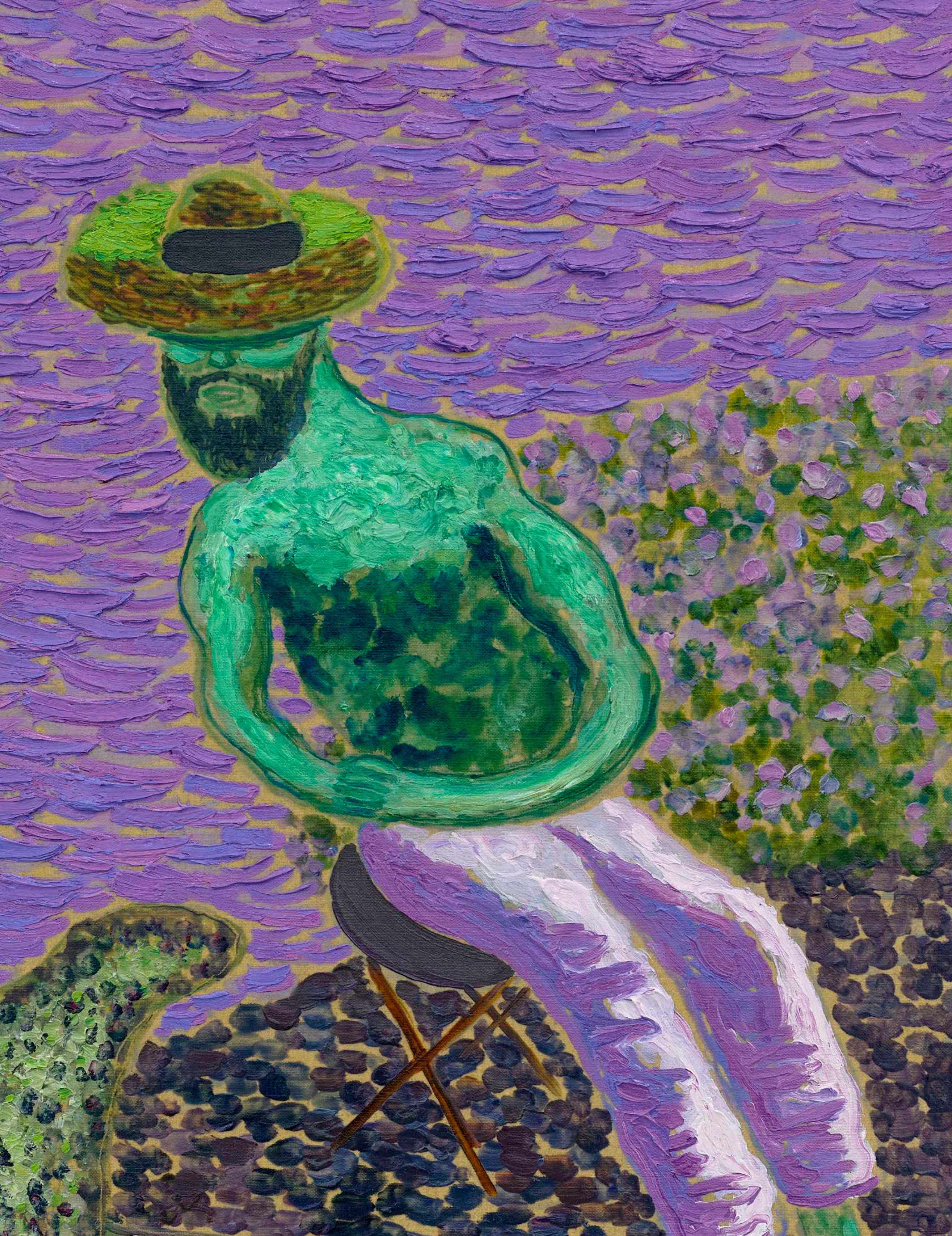
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GRGUR AKRAP

Gardener, 2023
oil and wax on canvas
37 x 22.5 inches, 94 x 57 cm.
40.5 x 27 x 2 inches, 103 x 68 x 6 cm. (framed)

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GRGUR AKRAP

Boat on Fire, 2023
oil and wax on canvas
36 x 22 inches, 91 x 57 cm.
40 x 27 x 2.5 inches, 102 x 68 x 6 cm. (framed)

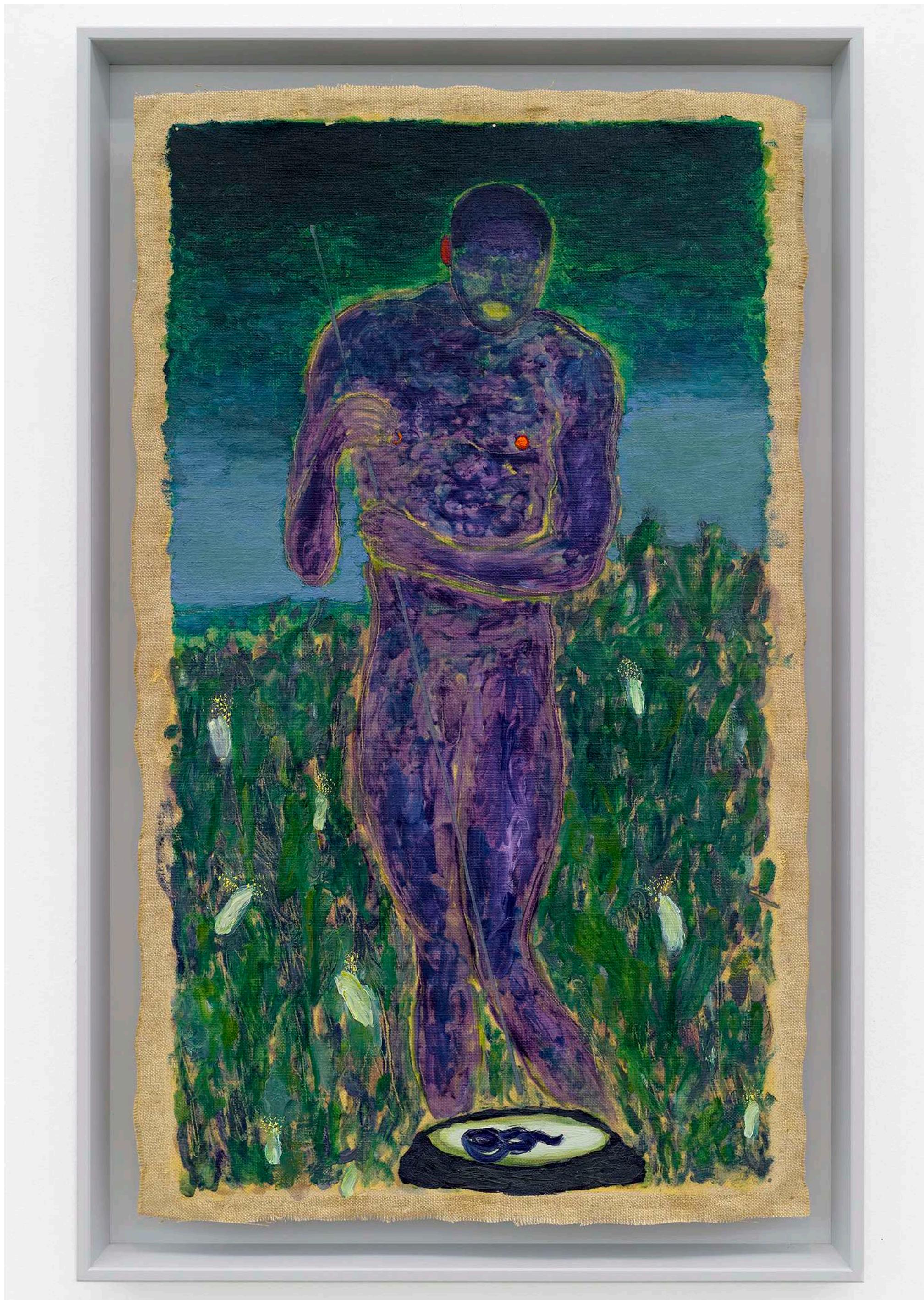
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GRGUR AKRAP

Blue Nude, 2023
oil and wax on canvas
36 x 21.5 inches, 91 x 55 cm.
40 x 25 x 2 inches, 102 x 64 x 6 cm. (framed)

\$4,750

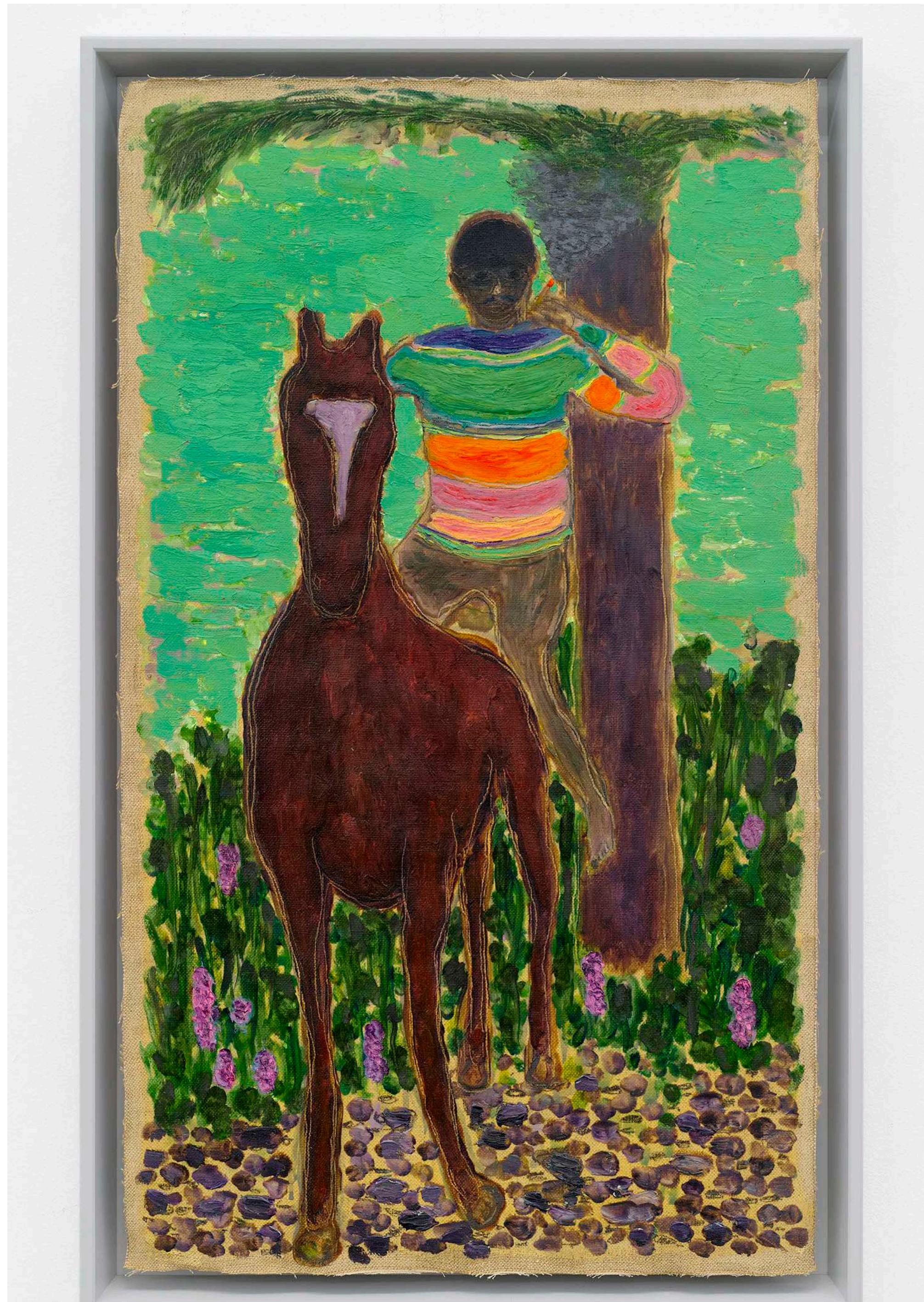




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GRGUR AKRAP

Smoker With Violet Flowers, 2023
oil and wax on canvas
37 x 22.5 inches, 95 x 57 cm.
40.5 x 26.5 x 2 inches, 103 x 68 x 7 cm. (framed)

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GRGUR AKRAP

Beast, 2023
oil and wax on canvas
29 x 24.5 inches, 74 x 62 cm.
31 x 27 x 2.5 inches, 79 x 69 x 6 cm. (framed)

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GRGUR AKRAP

Beast in the Garden, 2025
oil and wax on canvas
28 x 29.5 inches, 71 x 75 cm.

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GRGUR AKRAP

b. 1988

Lives and works in Zagreb, Croatia

Working primarily in oil paint and wax on canvas, Grgur Akrap's paintings evoke late 19th Century techniques and tropes remixed into more bizarre scenes with a contemporary feel. His paintings indicate an aspiration for a fusion of fantasy and the real world, with the atmosphere of dreams instead of plein-air; his protagonists comprised of mythological characters and wild beasts alongside human figures.

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Garden of Beasts*, HAGD contemporary, Aalborg, Denmark
Prophetic Dreams, Galleria Richter Fine Art, Rome, Italy
- 2020 *Blind Painter*, Gallery Kranjčar, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2019 *Two rooms*, Museum of Contemporary Art in Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2018 *Dichotomy*, Buljat Gallery, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2017 *The Night's Hunting Ground*, Marija Jurić-Zagorka, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2016 *Dubrovnik Art Gallery*, Dubrovnik, Croatia
The Gardener's Garden, Matica Hrvatska Gallery, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2015 *Promised Land*, Lamparna Gallery, Labin, Croatia
- 2014 *Measuring the World*, Kravata Gallery, Hvar, Croatia
Small and Big Players, Kristofor Stanković Gallery, "Young Artists" cycle of exhibitions, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2012 *Seven Easy Pieces*, Kino Klub Grič, Zagreb, Croatia

SELECT GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *Winter Collective*, HAGD Contemporary, Aalborg, Denmark
- 2024 *The Metamorphosis*, Yiri Arts, Taipei, Taiwan
Licked by the Waves, Museum MORE, Gorsel, Netherlands
Dream paper 3, Galerie Slika, Lyon, France
CAN art fair Ibiza, Spain
Bright Light, HAGD contemporary, Aalborg, Denmark
UVNT Art Fair, Madrid, Spain
White, HAGD contemporary, Aalborg, Denmark
- 2023 *The artist is a beast*, Collection of Edwin Oostmeijer, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 2022 *Watch Me Burn*, Gallery Ruttkowski;68, Paris, France
Needles in the Hay, The Curators Room, Amsterdam, Netherlands
Between my flesh and world's fingers, Galleria Richter, Rome, Italy
Group exhibition, Galerie Wolfsen, Aalborg, Denmark
- 2021 *The 6th Biennial of Painting*, Home of Croatian Visual Artists, Zagreb, Croatia
Dream, Gallery Kranjčar, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2020 *Affinità elettive*, online exhibition, curator Samuele Visentin
Sport and Art, HDLU Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2019 *Visions of the City*, Modern Gallery, Zagreb, Croatia
Art Salon Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
5th.Biennale of Painting, HDLU, Zagreb, Croatia
HT-MSU, Museum of Contemporary Art in Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
Erste fragments 15, Museum of Contemporary Art in Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2018 *Coloristic Dialogues*, Forum Gallery, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2017 *The 4th Biennial of Painting*, Home of Croatian Visual Artists, Zagreb
Materiality in Contemporary Croatian Art, Home of Croatian Visual Artists, Zagreb
- 2016 *The 51st Zagreb Salon*, Home of Croatian Visual Artists, Zagreb
(re)thinking Space & Place, Flottmann-Hallen, Herne, Germany
19th Miniatures, Vršilnica, Zaprešić Artists Association, Zaprešić
The Annual Members Exhibition of the Croatian Association of Artists, Home of Croatian Visual Artists, Zagreb
- 2015 *The 3rd Biennial of Painting*, Home of Croatian Visual Artists, Zagreb
T-HT award@msu.hr, Tge Museum of Contemporary Art Zagreb, Zagreb
18th Miniatures, Vršilnica, Zaprešić Artists Association, Zaprešić
The Annual Members Exhibition of the Croatian Association of Artists, Home of Croatian Visual Artists, Zagreb
- 2014 *32nd Youth Salon*, Home of Croatian Visual Artists, Zagreb
Sinergija razlicitosti - bit ljudske opstojnosti, Galerija Osmijeha, Zagreb
17th Miniatures, Vršilnica, Zaprešić Artists Association, Zaprešić
- 2013 *The 2nd Biennial of Painting*, Home of Croatian Visual Artists, Zagreb
Writers' Portraits, as part of the Festival of World Literature, Zagreb Youth Theatre, Zagreb
6th ARTEXCHANGE, organized by Marisall Gallery, Rovinj
Passionic Heritage 2013, 2012, 2011, Kristofor Stanković Gallery, Zagreb
For Grga, Greta Gallery, Zagreb



The Hole is pleased to present a solo booth by Croatian painter **Grgur Akrap**, the artist's first solo presentation in the US. Working primarily in oil paint and wax on canvas, Akrap's paintings evoke late-19th Century techniques and tropes remixed into more bizarre scenes with a contemporary feel. A contemporary Croatian perspective on the Parisian Post-Impressionists, there are bearded Matisse-looking fellows, Renoir boating hats and Fauvist ferocity. The dense paintings, heavy with wax, have an atmosphere of dreams instead of plein-air; circulating mythological characters and wild beasts alongside human figures. Across the work, canvas is left not just raw but unstretched, creating work that feels both timeless and expansive, our imagination continuing beyond the fraying edges.

Grgur Akrap (b. 1988 Zagreb, Croatia) graduated from the Academy of Fine Arts in Zagreb In 2013. He has had numerous solo and museum exhibitions in Croatia along with recent solo shows in Denmark and Italy (both 2023).