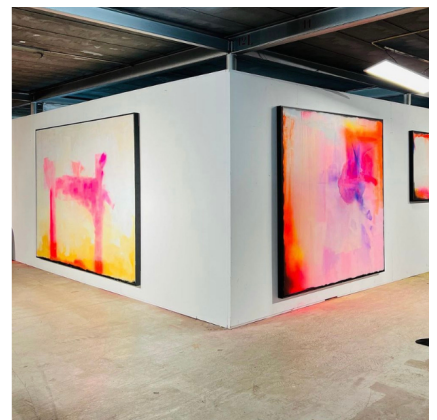
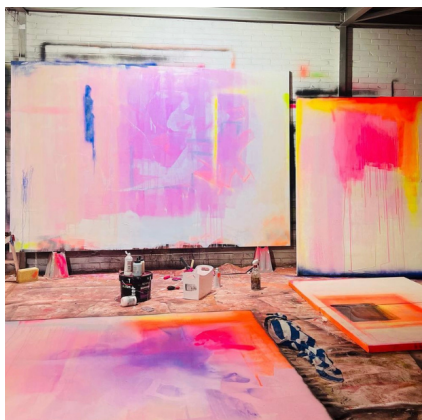


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Lucas Thorik

1st December - 30th January 2022

equilibrium, a solo exhibition of artworks by Dutch artist Lucas Thorik, opens The ARX's winter programme. Thorik's vibrant show brings serenity during an intense period of December festivities, and hope over the coldest, darkest January days.

Exploring the space created between opposing forces, Thorik's powerful abstract canvases continue the artist's exploration of balance. Whether this is created through texture from his coarse application of impasto white plaster (which is then superposed by a misting of spray paint), colour (from white to vibrant neons), or size (a vast canvas contrasted by a small square), the artist's pursuit for internal balance is marked in each piece.

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Today, Thorik works on his canvases directly onto the floor using multi-media across several canvases at one time, mirroring the Abstract Expressionists before him, to ensure there are equal parts of stability and energy in his series.

Staying within the boundaries of the canvas is a form of therapy for the artist. Just as viewing the works is a meditative process for the viewer, the creative process provides a tonic for Thorik. Within the canvases there are linear forms, reflecting the search for control, while the occasional curved and swollen shapes echo moments of ecstatic release.

Despite the overall composed quality of Thorik's works, through his practice, he does not aim to present a perfect world, altered and contorted. Instead he exhibits the unfiltered and real, its edges are rough and its meaning is left open to interpretation with closer analysis.

Thorik was selected by the gallery to take part in their residency programme over Spring 2022, where he gained inspiration from the city. The programme invites artists to spend up to three months in the in-house studio with the potential to showcase works in a solo show with the gallery.

The private view will take place on 1st December. To RSVP for the event between 6- 9pm GMT please contact becky@thearx.com. Spaces are first come, first served.

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High-resolution images available upon request.



Notes to Editors

Lucas Thorik - Lucas Thorik is a Dutch abstract artist, living and working in The Hague. Thorik creates large-scale finely tuned canvases by layering subtle hues to form nuanced compositions that bridge the worlds of art, design, psychology and music. Thorik maintains a universal approach to aesthetics and considers the impact of art on an entire space and upon its viewer. Already known as an emerging talent in the contemporary Dutch art scene, Thorik's work is now gaining pace within the international market. Over Spring 2022 Thorik was selected to take part in The ARX's Artist Residency programme, where he created works which featured in The ARX gallery's group exhibition, *Behind the Canvas*.

The ARX - The ARX redefines the gallery experience, with its whole-home luxury concept which brings together the worlds of art, design, craftsmanship and cutting-edge technology, within a visionary 15,000sq ft space located in the heart of London's Knightsbridge. Private appointments are available via enquiries@thearx.com. Visit the gallery at 197-205 Brompton Road, Knightsbridge, London, SW3 1LB on public open days, Fridays and Saturdays 11am – 6pm. www.thearx.com