

PRESS RELEASE

PORTLAND GALLERY ANNOUNCE EXHIBITION OF WORKS BY LACHLAN GOUDIE

Lachlan Goudie: Beyond the Blue Horizon

10th – 26th May 2023

Portland Gallery is delighted to announce an exhibition of paintings by Lachlan Goudie opening in May. Featuring over thirty works of tropical sunsets, sparkling seas and plush interiors, our show highlights the artist's ability to capture the vibrancy of his sun-drenched surroundings. In the footsteps of Scottish Colourist J.D. Fergusson, Goudie took to the South of France and Mauritius in search of dazzling landscapes; as Fergusson declared 'More sun, more colour!'. The exhibition celebrates an artist's escape from a cold autumnal London to warm exotic paradises. Highlights include the jewel-toned waters in *Treasure Island* and *Morning on the Mediterranean*, alongside colourful palm tree and banana plant vistas in *Paradise* and *Verandah*. Many of the works were painted on location using gouache on board, capturing Goudie's immediate and spontaneous response to the landscapes; the exhibition catalogue is formatted like an artist's sketchbook to echo their creation.

"These works are an invitation to travel with me beyond the blue horizon, and to seize a little more of the sun and colour we all so desperately need" – Lachlan Goudie

Lachlan Goudie: Beyond the Blue Horizon opens at Portland Gallery from the 10th May until 26th May. The gallery is open Monday to Friday, 10am to 6pm, or by appointment.

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- High resolution images are available on request
- Advanced viewings of artworks can be arranged on request
- The artist is available for interview
- A fully illustrated catalogue supports the exhibition with introductory text by the artist

About Portland Gallery:

Portland Gallery was established in 1984 and are leading dealers in modern and contemporary British Art. Located in Bennet Street, the gallery is spread over two floors and plays host to 14 exhibitions a year, principally solo presentations of represented artists and estates. The gallery is owned by an Employee Ownership Trust.

Artist Biography:

Lachlan Goudie (b. 1976)

Lachlan's artistic range is broad, he paints portraits, landscapes and still lifes. An ongoing project to document the extraordinary locations and landscape of Industrial Britain have seen him working in shipyards, steel works and satellite manufacturing laboratories. Lachlan's paintings have received numerous awards and are exhibited regularly in London, Edinburgh and New York. He is an elected member of the Royal Institute of Oil painters. In addition to painting Lachlan Goudie has written and presented several documentaries for the BBC. His landmark series 'The Story of Scottish Art' was critically acclaimed and Lachlan received a nomination from the Royal Television Society Scotland for the 'Onscreen personality of the year' award.

Other documentaries for BBC television include – 'The Art of Witchcraft' 'Stanley Spencer: The colours of the Clyde', 'Awesome Beauty: The Art of Industrial Britain', 'Painting the Holy Land' and 'Mackintosh: Glasgow's Neglected Genius' which was nominated in the best single documentary category at the Celtic Media awards, 2019.

Lachlan has been a judge across three series of BBC1's 'Big Painting Challenge' and reprised this role on BBC1's 'Celebrity Big Painting Challenge'. He is one of the presenters of the BBC's hugely popular 'Life drawing live', a live life drawing class which has been broadcast internationally.

Lachlan's first book, 'The story of Scottish Art', is published by Thames & Hudson and tells the story of 5,000 years of Scottish creativity.

Lachlan's writing is informed by his experience of working as an artist. He is a keen proselytiser for the value of technique and craft in contemporary art and was schooled in painting by his father, the artist Alexander Goudie.

Lachlan was born and grew up in Glasgow, Scotland, before studying English at Christ's College, Cambridge and Fine Art at Camberwell College of Art in London.

Work by Lachlan Goudie is held in the collections of; Glasgow Museums and Art Galleries, Glasgow The National Museum of the Royal Navy, Portsmouth The Scottish Maritime Museum, Irvine