

Lot 4

Louise Giovanelli, *Eros*, 2026



Oil on paper
Original, framed
Signed by the artist
Size unframed: 55 x 38 cm

Estimate: £18,000 - £20,000

Louise Giovanelli (b. 1993, lives and works in Manchester) creates hypnotic paintings that radiate light. Her works regularly feature mysterious objects such as a closed pair of curtains, a shock of lustrous hair or the reflective surface of a cocktail glass. Characters also appear, seemingly caught in a moment between reverence and despair or about to reach a form of transcendence. Intimately cropped and cinematic in feel, her subject matter is deliberately ambiguous and rendered with the analogue fuzziness of a memory or half-forgotten dream. Over the past decade, Giovanelli has cemented herself as a leading figure in contemporary painting and has held institutional solo exhibitions across Europe and the US.

In 2024, The Hepworth Wakefield presented *Louise Giovanelli: A Song of Ascents* which went on to tour to Halle Für Kunst, Steiermark and Museum Villa Stuck, Munich in 2025. As a legacy to this major exhibition, The Hepworth Wakefield acquired a large-scale painting titled *Scala* (2024) through the generous support of a private donor.

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