

An abstract painting with a dark, textured background. The top half features dark, swirling brushstrokes in shades of black, grey, and blue, accented with small, bright yellow and white spots. The bottom half is dominated by a large, vibrant, circular form composed of thick, expressive brushstrokes in shades of blue, pink, orange, and yellow. The overall style is gestural and energetic.

PESCH
CONTEMPORARY ARTIST

EVOLVING ENERGIES

JOOST PESCH

Painting catalogue

A bridge between reality
and something greater



Joost Pesch

Joost Pesch (b. 1988, Eindhoven, Netherlands) is a contemporary artist and painter working at the intersection of dream and reality. In his work, symbolism, color, and layered composition merge into paintings that resonate with emotion, power, and mysticism. His style, where abstraction and realism intertwine, is rooted in classical painting traditions and shaped by modern themes.

Educated at the Willem de Kooning Academy and with a background in the business world, Pesch made a conscious decision to transition into a life devoted to art. This dual experience, analytical and intuitive, strategic and spiritual, forms the foundation of his artistic practice.

Inspired by old masters like Rubens and Rembrandt, and the expressive force of Matisse and Picasso, Pesch fuses art history with contemporary energy. His paintings are visual narratives exploring time, transformation, and identity. Figures drawn from mythology, history, and personal archetypes are reinterpreted and reshaped into a visual language that feels both familiar and disorienting. Each work invites contemplation—a moment of stillness in an increasingly fast-paced world.

Pesch exhibits his work at international art fairs and in high-end interiors around the globe, yet the heart of his practice remains in the studio, where silence and focus give rise to images that transcend the everyday.

“Art is a bridge between reality and something greater.”





In his latest series, *Evolving Energies*, Joost Pesch draws on the grandeur of the Renaissance to depict themes that remain just as intensely felt today: freedom, ecstasy, triumph, love, creativity, and abandonment.

These universal emotions, fueled by his own inner experience and the tensions of contemporary society, are translated in a monumental way into paintings where past and present merge.

Inspired by old masters such as Rubens, Rembrandt, and Botticelli, yet with a contemporary flair, Pesch creates a new visual mythology. Central figures, often naked, slender women or marble goddesses float or rise from landscapes rich in symbolism: cascading waterfalls, swans, sculpted ruins, fiery flowers, and radiant light.

Each work is a stage for inner struggle, surrender, and transformation. With his distinctive blend of realism and abstraction, Pesch reveals himself as a modern master who masterfully captures the drama of human existence in images.

LIBERTY LEADING THE PEOPLE

Acrylic paint on linen canvas
100 x 100 cm
2025





GUARDIAN OF LIBERTY

Acrylic paint on linen canvas
100 x 100 cm
2025

The initial inspiration for Evolving Energies arose from a growing need to reinterpret classical themes in a world that feels increasingly fast-paced, fragmented, and disconnected. Instead of distancing himself from emotion, Joost Pesch chooses to magnify it. Turning deeply human states into bold, dramatic compositions that echo the grandeur and tension of the Renaissance.

In this new body of work, Pesch returns to the timeless pillars of human experience: freedom, abandonment, victory, love, and creativity. These aren't abstract ideas, they're intensely personal and social, mirroring both his inner world and the broader emotional undercurrents of today's society. Inspired by the masters—Rubens, Rembrandt, Botticelli—he paints not to document reality, but to elevate it. His works do not just show what is; they explore what could be and what we long for most.

Through sculptural figures rising from waterfalls, marble goddesses, and dreamlike landscapes where the divine and subconscious intersect, Pesch creates a universe that is part myth, part memory. Symbolism and layered narratives play a central role, and the merging of abstraction and figuration adds a contemporary depth to his classical references.

Evolving Energies suggests not only personal transformation, but also the possibility of cultural renewal. It offers an antidote to alienation and performance-driven living: a visual world where beauty, vulnerability, and strength coexist. The series invites viewers to return to a more reflective, soulful mode of seeing. One where art becomes a bridge between our everyday existence and something greater.

For Pesch, painting is not just a craft, it's a sacred pause. A space where silence gives rise to meaning. And with this new series, he invites us to step into that space with him.





DANCING ON THE EDGE

Acrylic paint on linen canvas

120 x 180 cm

2024

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“ART IS A BRIDGE BETWEEN EVERYDAY
REALITY AND SOMETHING GREATER”



THE BALLROOM

Mixed media on cotton canvas
120 x 140 cm
2024



GATE OF ILLUMINATION

Acrylic paint on cotton canvas
100 x 160 cm
2024



VICTORY IN THE FLOW OF TIME

Acrylic paint on linen canvas
100 x 140 cm
2025

Pesch's work embodies a unique blend of abstraction and realism, weaving together symbolic icons and compelling narratives that spark curiosity and invite exploration. His signature style fuses the richness of art history with the pulse of contemporary culture, creating a powerful dialogue between the timeless and the modern.





AFTER US

Acrylic paint on linen canvas

100 x 200 cm

2025



THE DECADENT SOCIETY

Acrylic paint on linen canvas
120 x 140 cm
2025



**“HANG SOMETHING STRANGE.
YOU DON’T NEED ANOTHER SAFE PIECE.
YOU NEED SOMETHING THAT PULLS YOU OUT OF
THE EVERYDAY AND INTO A WORLD YOU DIDN’T
KNOW YOU NEEDED.”**

FURY AND GRACE

Acrylic paint on linen canvas
100 x 100 cm
2025





EVOLVING ENERGIES

Acrylic paint on linen canvas
120 x 160 cm
2023



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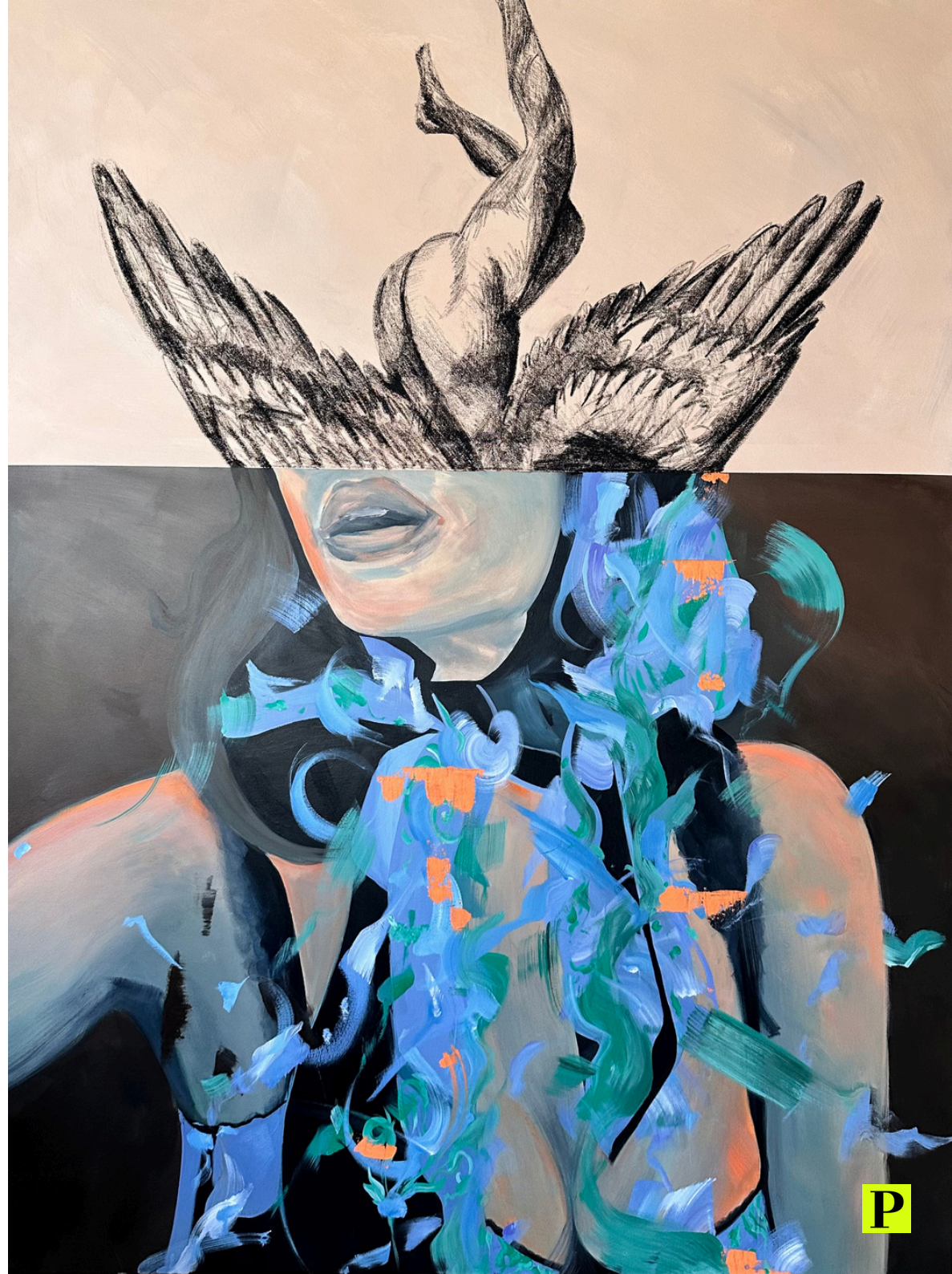
Acrylic paint on cotton canvas
150 x 150 cm
2024

"Evolving Energies" invites you into a dynamic realm where energy pulses and flows, weaving through the space around us. Abstract figures dance amidst meticulously detailed objects, merging the past with the present in a mesmerizing fusion. Inspired by Dutch Master Rembrandt, Pesch captures the energy in bright colors. The painting Evolving Energies is part of the series of the same name, in which traditional and contemporary elements come together in harmony, offering an experience of the invisible forces that shape our world.



AWAKENINGS

Acrylic paint and oil pastels on canvas
120 x 160 cm
2025





THE PINK BANG

Mixed media on canvas

120 x 180 cm

2025



THE LOVER CROWNED

Acrylic paint on linen canvas
100 x 120 cm
2025

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Pesch Contemporary Artist



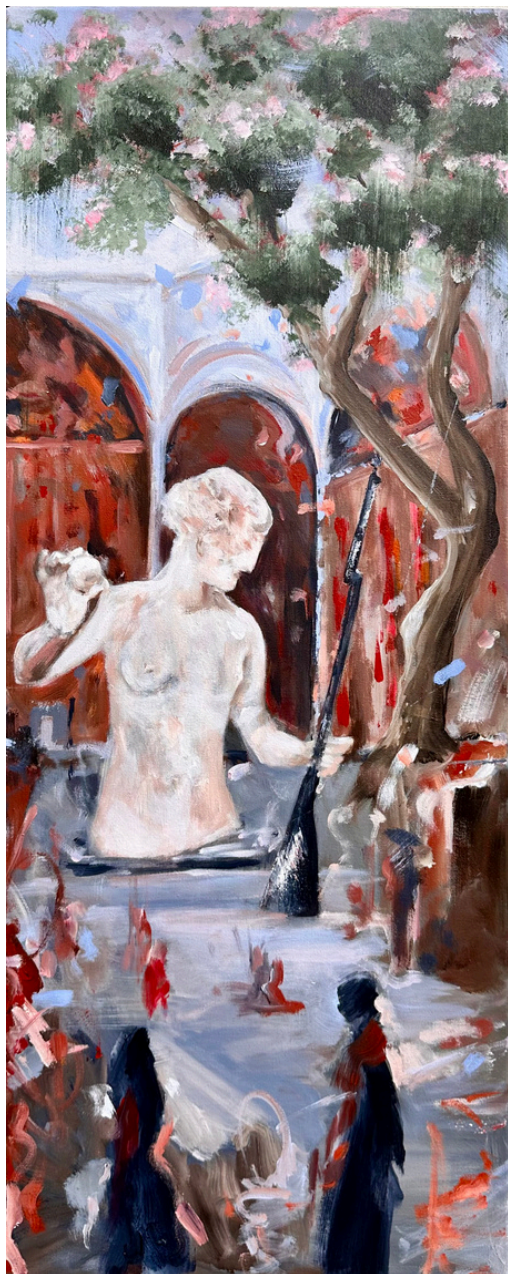
RIVIERA

Acrylic paint on linen canvas

60 x 80 cm

2023





AGORA

Acrylic paint on linen canvas
40 x 100 cm
2025

“As an artist, evolution is inevitable. If you’ve followed my journey, you’ve likely noticed a significant shift in my work—returning to themes I first explored three years ago.

This transformation has unlocked new creative possibilities, allowing me to experiment with light, technique, and deeper reflections on universal themes like freedom, love, and history. I’m embracing a process deeply rooted in painting, which feels like my most authentic form of expression. I couldn’t be more excited about this new body of work with many more paintings to come in the near future.”

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VENUS REIMAGINED

Acrylic paint on linen canvas
80 x 120 cm
2025

Beneath a shimmering waterfall, Venus returns — powerful, luminous, untamed. A swan glides at her side, while surreal creatures dance at the edge of vision. In this fusion of Botticelli's grace and modern abstraction, beauty becomes a force, and myth comes alive once more.





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