

The painting depicts one of the beautiful places in Latvia - Malpils Manor house, in this summer. There was a pond with two boats. One of the boats was moving from one end of the pond to the other and then back.

I chose to paint one of the boats as the boat is a symbol of luck, safety and hope. This painting is a continuation of a thought or concept I have been exploring for three years. Water as emotions, a pond is a whole of emotion and the boat is a tool you can traverse to different areas of emotions. The boat is an emotional body. Imagine you can tell about emotional trouble of part of time that is overcome. Should you understand where there is a travel destination or the boat aimlessly is moving on the emotional pond or a human is controlling his emotional life.

Black color exploring gives me a power to live. Painting is an adult game when the first moment a viewer sees just a black area/square, but looking deeper and changing the angle of light the painting comes alive, it becomes a real object. I love to put in a mystic. It is evidence of a singular moment in time and space, where we find our own reflection. Often, in contemplation of my surroundings, I find myself seeking a deeper meaning. You could perhaps not look so much at the painting as through it.

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### Education

In 2015 September – 2017 June  
Master of Arts degree in  
Painting Department,  
Art Academy of Latvia

In 2015 September – 2016 February  
Fine Art, Falmouth University,  
Falmouth, United Kingdom

In 2011 September - 2015 June  
Bachelor of Arts degree in  
Designer qualification.

Art Academy of Latvia,  
Design Department. Riga, Latvia

In 2006 September - 2010 June  
Environment Design, interior design specialist  
Riga Design and Art secondary school.  
Riga, Latvia

In 2002 September – 2005 June  
Ergli Music and Art school. Ergli, Latvia

## Exhibition

2015 September 7 – October 7. Art Society "Sidegunde" exhibition "Plen-Air Session of Malpils" with paintings "The Boat", "The Construction of Ham Stack" and pottery vassels,  
Malpils, Latvia

2015 June 4 – July 11. Qualification work exhibition "DDD", Art Academy of Latvia, Bachelor's work "WHITE", Riga, Latvia

2015 March 26 – May 31. A touring exhibition "Fabric Vitae" with the painting "The Wild Plant" Pauls Stradins Museum for history of medicine,  
Riga, Latvia

2015 April 11 - 28. "Mākslas medības", Kalnciema Quarter, paintings, Riga, Latvia

2015 January 7 – February 27. Solo exhibition, Skrivanek Baltic Translation Agency and Language School, Riga, Latvia

2014 November 13 – December 3. "SEB Scholarship for Painting", Art Academy of Latvia, painting "The Jetty No.1", Riga, Latvia

2014 November 11 – 28. Participation in the design exhibition "Casa Castiglioni", Art Academy of Latvia, lamp project "Hourglass Inoperable", Riga, Latvia

2014 November 14 – 2015 May. In collaboration with the Embassy of the Kingdom of Belgium participation in the exhibition "Art of Anatomy and symbiosis" with the painting "The Wild Plant" Pauls Stradins Museum for history of medicine, Riga, Latvia

2014 November – December. Two artists exhibition "Personalities" with Alfia Hairova-Soliguin, restaurant "KID\*", Riga, Latvia

2014 October 1 – 24. International exhibition "You Art a Woman", Art Academy of Latvia, painting & ready-made, "Two Natures", Riga, Latvia

2014 September 24 – October 19. "Young Painter Prize", Contemporary Art Centre, paintings "The Wild Plant" and "The Mother", Vilnius, Lithuania

2014 May 14 - 24. "Caurvējš Akadēmijā", Art Academy of Latvia, painting "Gatis" and product design - bread box "NEST", Riga, Latvia

2014 March 29 - April 19. "Mākslas medības", Kalnciema Quarter, paintings "Frame", "Landscape of Latvia" and "Jump in the Dream", Riga, Latvia

2013 August 3. "Tirza laika turzā", Dairy Plant of Tirza, painting "Go", Tirza, Latvia

2012 "Exhibition of Artists Pallets ", gallery "Zimulis un ota", Riga, Latvia

2012 October 28 - November 10. "Matter of Time", Gulbene District History and Art Museum, curator of the exhibition, painting "Idea of the Year", Gulbene, Latvia

2012 - 2014. "Get to Know - Wood" Mežaparks Large Open-Air Stage, project "Skin of Heat" dedicated for Lady Gaga, Riga, Latvia

2012. "Landscape of nowadays", White school exhibition hall, paintings "Frame" and "Seaside Forest", Kurmene, Latvia

2012. "Sea", Art Space of Kurmene, paintings "Iceberg" and "White", Kurmene, Latvia

2012. "SEB Scholarship for Painting", Art Academy of Latvia, painting "Morning Coffee with Tom", Riga, Latvia

2011. Solo exhibition "Lie", Taka, Riga, Latvia

2010 June. Qualification work exhibition "City 2020", Riga Design and Art School, diploma work "3/4", Riga, Latvia

2006. International design exhibition "Winter Fireflies", Riga Design and art School, lamps "Cube" and "Ball", Riga, Latvia

## **Award**

1<sup>st</sup> prize winner in Art Academy of Latvia students works competition, Anatomy and Arts Symbiosis, painting "The Wild Plant", Pauls Stradins Museum for history of medicine. 2014 November 14, Riga, Latvia