

DESCRIPTION OF THE MAIN ARTWORK

I am Caroliina Luhamets, born on April 19, 1995 in Estonia. I study painting at Pallas University of Applied Sciences, which has already given me a solid foundation and driving force as an artist. I received the 2022 Hotell Pallas painting scholarship.

Shortly about my back-round. When I was little, my family bought a old mansion where I grew up. My mother passed away when I was very young but on this day, my father still lives there. I have been formed in old environment, old things, paintings and painters like Jan Tammik, Rein Tammik, Raimo Saare, Olav Maran. They have been my role models through my early years as an artist. I see a lot of influences from my father as well. He is a big lover of history and he has taught me to establish an ancient art. I know that, I have a lot to learn but I will always remember where I came from. In some way, this painting is a tribute to my teachers.



„Between the two“
Oil painting on cardboard
2022
40 X 50cm

Very often I find myself painting my own home enviroment. Some unexpected things can be comforting and relatable. Life is always in constant moving and capturing real moments, pausing the unperfection gives me thrill. In a way, it defines who I am and what I pursue in painting. I seek emotion, feeling or the joy of recognition. We all have hidden habits which we try to conceal and are not proud of. Painting something that I usually hide, has turned into something good and purpose.

In society, we are used to hide our imperfections. Always trying to look good in others eyes, being clean, tidy, polite, calm, well-kept and so on. In some way, we are losing beauty of imperfection. With this painting I try to give my viewer a warm and fussy feeling, give them the pleasure of recognition and unexpected opportunity that binds us together. It is all about living life the fullest, not fixing every little thing along the way and accepting our differences.

While making this painting, I hesitated and had doubts in this subject. I was not sure that this is something I want to be recognized or known for. Is this something for the others to see and how does it make me feel. I felt maybe I will be seen different then I used to, but I kept going. For me, its all about being true to yourself and doing what you love, what makes you happy and to not always try to fit in every category. Of course, it is important to keep learning and develop but by doing that, we should not suppress our true being. It gives us purpose and makes us unique.