

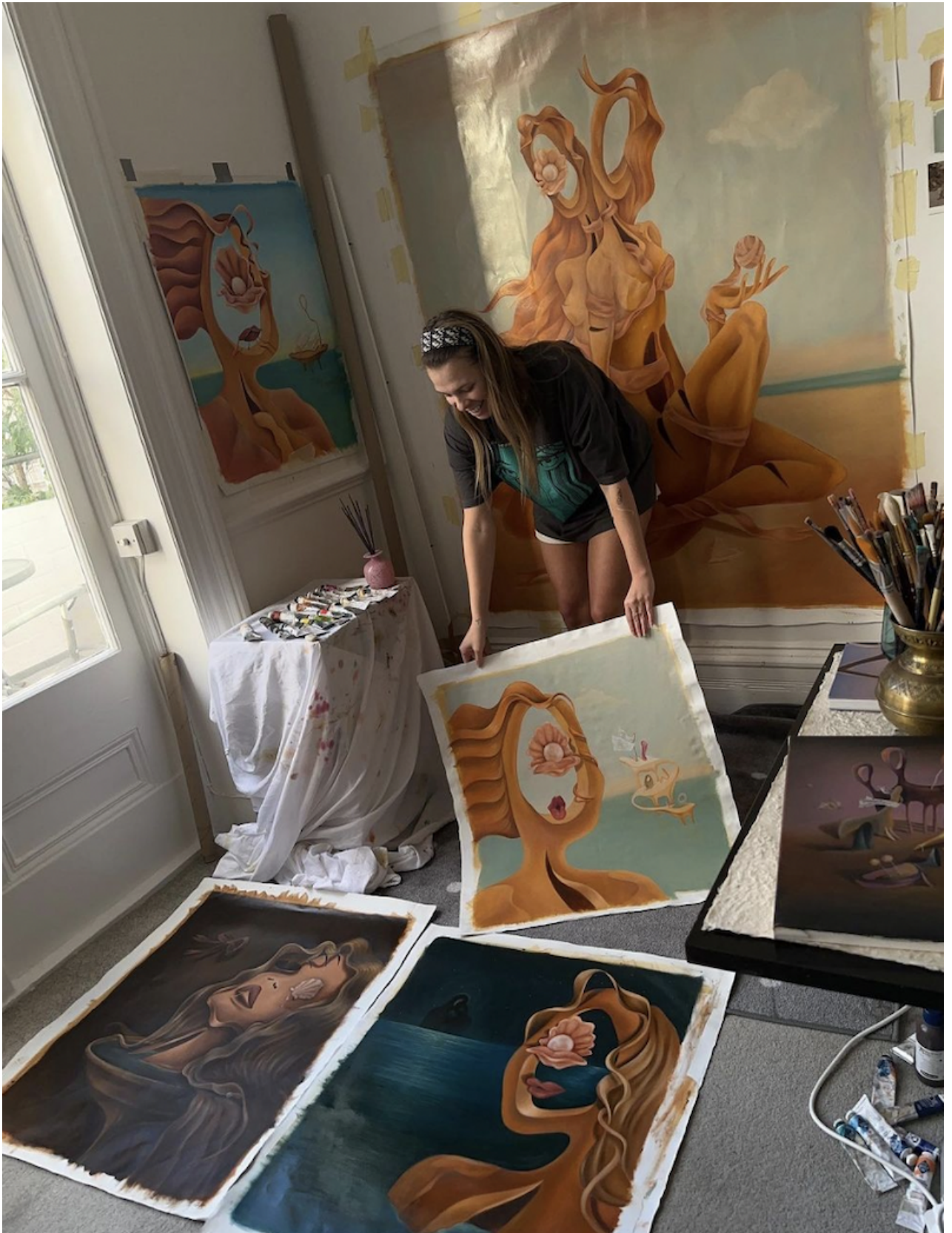
A Portfolio: Rita Maikova

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Today on [A Portfolio](#), we look at the work of Ukrainian painter, [Rita Maikova](#), who we worked with last year on our print run and love her explorations into surrealism. She has had a busy year of exhibitions, and will have a solo show at [Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery](#) in London in 2023.

Rita Maikova (b. 1990 in Ukraine) lives and works in Kyiv. She studied Fine Arts at the Kherson art school, graduating in 2003. Maikova explores the idea of love, focusing mainly on stopping the endless inner discourse going on in any person's head. She aims to give everyone an opportunity to experience life in the moment. By investigating the here and now, Maikova's works are full of symbols and signs, progressing between the conscious and subconscious mind, which she represented on her canvases. The idea that the variety and interweaving of forms excite the imagination, is one that Maikova likes to play on. Maikova believes that diving into the dynamic forms presented in her work is like a mediation, that speaks to the spectator.

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