

GRACE CRAM

Smalls

9 May - 1 June 2024

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Grace Cram is an Australian artist based in Naarm / Melbourne. With over a decade of experience working in architecture, Grace has developed an affinity for materiality, colour, texture and composition that actively informs her painting practice.

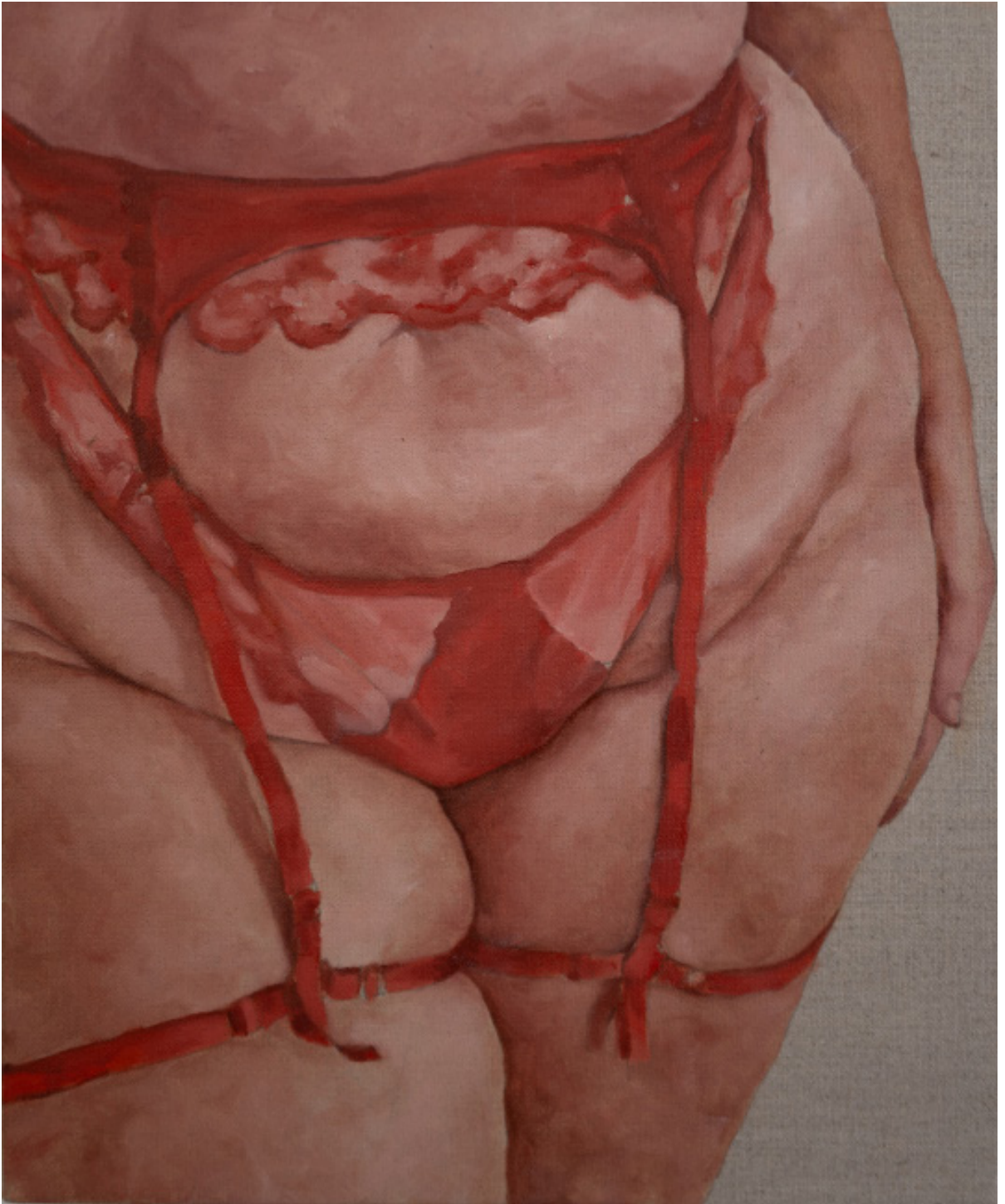
Her paintings explore the meaning found in everyday moments, aiming to capture the beauty and humour within the mundane. Grace was a finalist in STILL: National Still Life Award in 2021 and the 2023 National Emerging Art Prize.

Smalls explores states of undress and ideas of compression and release. Cram's tender portrayals of female forms are both hidden and revealed, heightening a sense of intimacy between the viewer and the subject.

With their close range compositions, Cram's small-scale paintings are a glimpse into the personal, raising more questions than they answer.



In the pink
Oil on linen on board
25.4 x 30.5 cm



Feeling rosy
Oil on linen on board
25.4 x 30.5 cm
SOLD



Straight-laced
Oil on linen on board
25.4 x 30.5 cm



Unclaspd
Oil on linen
15.2 x 15.2 cm
SOLD



Bra-marks
Oil on linen
15.2 x 15.2 cm
SOLD



Lacy
Oil on linen
7.6 x 7.6 cm
SOLD



Diana Jean (removes her bra)
Oil on linen
51 x 41 cm



Pull your socks up
Oil on linen
25.4 x 30.5 cm
SOLD

CV

Grace Cram, born 1986, Coffs Harbour, NSW

EDUCATION

2023 Portrait Painting Masterclass with Jude Rae, National Art School, Sydney

2020 Level 01 Drawing - Edinburgh Atelier of Fine Art, Edinburgh, Scotland

2019 Rome Art Residency Program - Portrait and Figure Painting, Rome, Italy

2019 Florence Academy of Art - Portrait Painting Summer Workshop, Florence, Italy

2018 Introduction to Oil Painting, Fitzroy Painting

2010 Bachelor of Design (Interior Design), Queensland University of Technology (1st Class Hons)

EXHIBITIONS / AWARDS

2023 Christmas 2023 Online Show, MARS Gallery

2023 National Emerging Art Prize, Finalist, Michael Reid Art Bar, Sydney

2023 Fifty Squared Art Prize, Second Place, Brunswick Street Gallery, Fitzroy

2021 STILL: National Still Life Award, Finalist, Coffs Harbour Regional Art Gallery

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