

LONELY

NIGHTS

BY BANELE KHOZA

Banele Khoza, the 2016/2017 Johannes Stegmann Mentorship Programme mentee, was mentored by Colbert Mashile over the last year. Through his mentoreship, Khoza created his debut commercial solo exhibition; Lonely Nights. This exhibition shows a break from the intimate digital and ink drawings that Khoza has gained traction with in the industry. Alongside his intimate works, he now creates large ethereal paintings.

This exhibition reflects the artist's experience during 210 consecutive nights spent mostly in isolation, whilst in conversation with his art making materials. The feelings that this experience evoked, is familiar to the artist: "When have my nights not been lonely? Leaving for boarding school at the age of 13 was probably a start to these traumatic nights. Ten years later: I am still far from home, I have woken up into this routine and no one is there to question if I had good day, my house only becomes a home with the presence of friends and family and the moment they step out it becomes four walls with concrete furniture." Khoza continues his ongoing exploration of the complexities of the digital realm, critically commenting on the voyeuristic element of social media. Through this exhibition, he explores the loneliness users often experiences when engaging on social media; whilst looking and the illusionary "exciting lives" of other users, one still lacks human interaction.

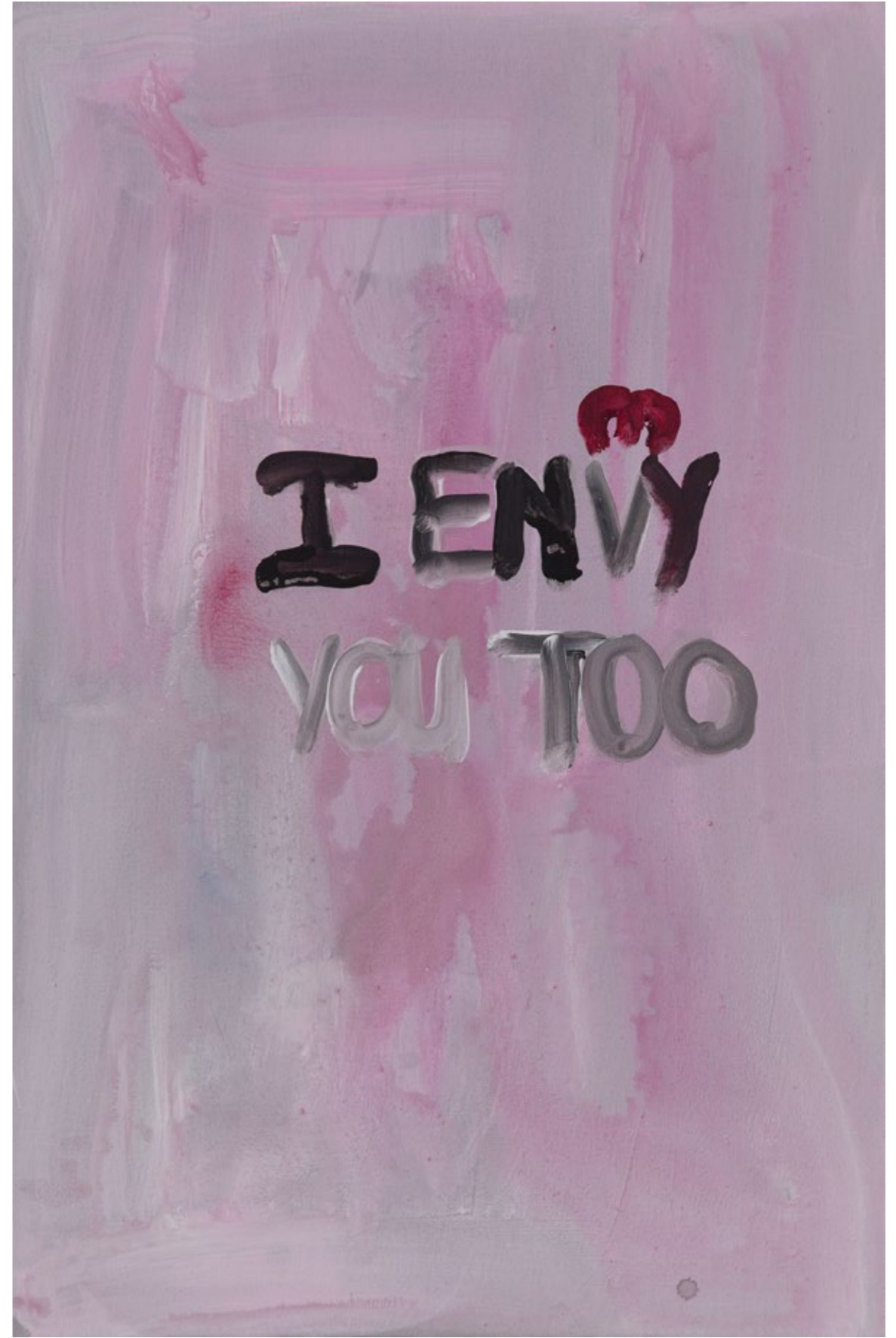




I think I scared him away. 2016. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 200 x 300 cm | R 52 000.00



Leg day. 2016. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



I envy you too. 2016. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



Crying in public 22. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm | R 3 500.00



Crying in public 17. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm | R 3 500.00



Crying in public 28. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Crying in public 18. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Crying in public 14. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
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Crying in public 4. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
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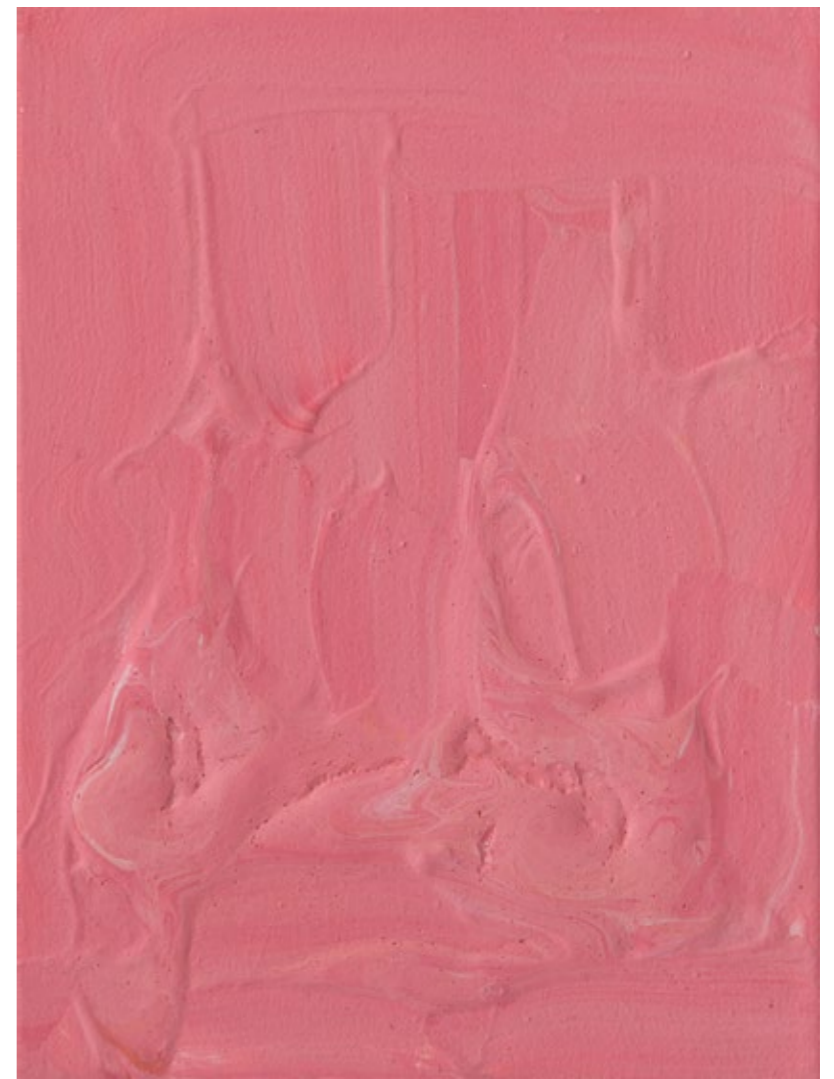
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Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
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Crying in public 2. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
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Crying in public 25. 2016-7.
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Crying in public 12. 2016-7.
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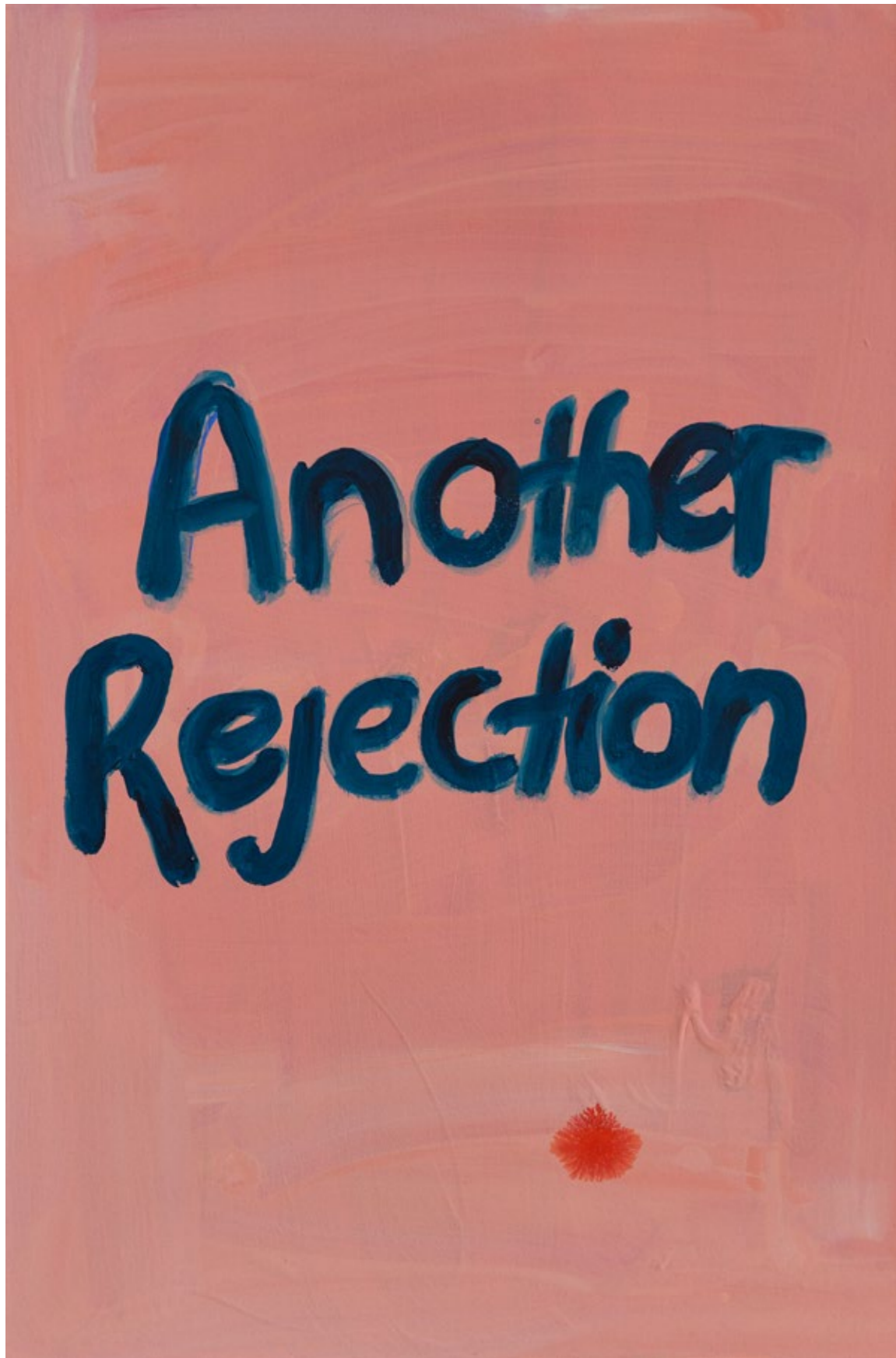
Haunted. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



Solo. 2016-7, Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



Fuck you... 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



Another Rejection. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



Dear B. 2016-7, Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



I'm okay. 2016-7, Acrylic and ink on canvas, 121.9 x 91.4 cm | R 17 000.00



Let me see...2016-7, Acrylic and ink on canvas, 150 x 100 cm, R 20 000.00



Crying in public 10. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm | R 3 500.00



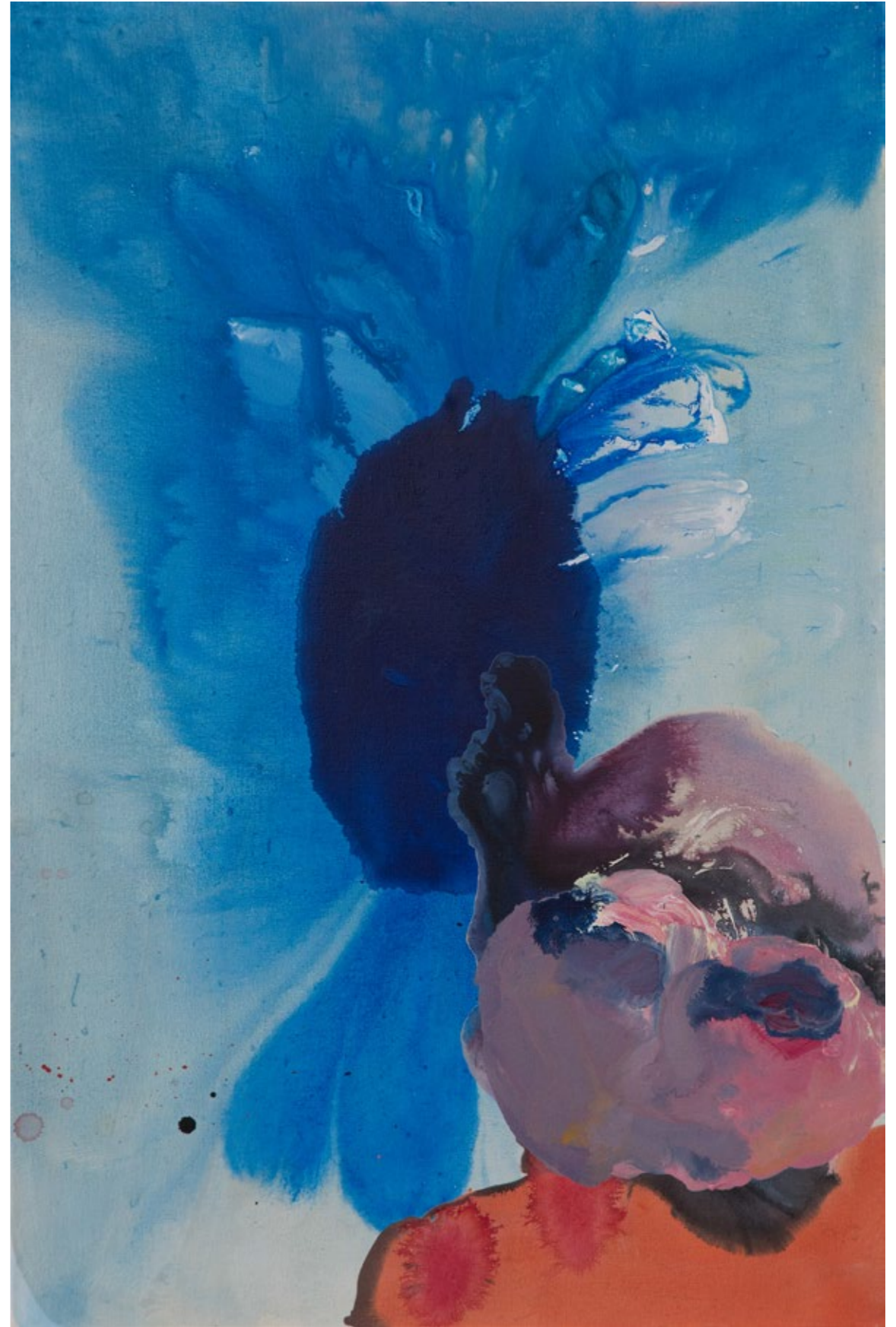
Crying in public 29. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm | R 3 500.00



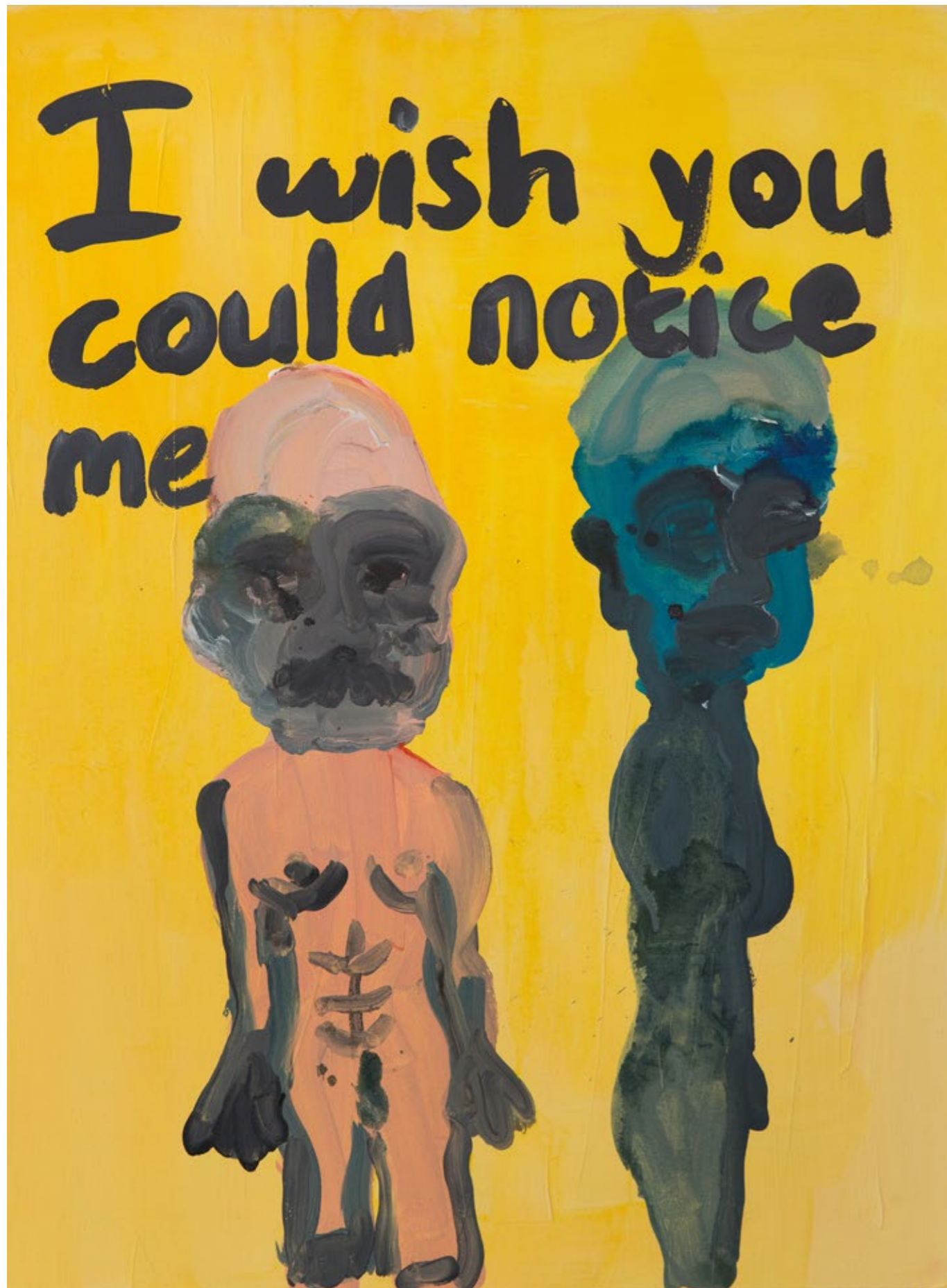
Thhogi. 2016-7, Acrylic and ink on canvas, 121.9 x 91.4 cm | R 17 000.00



Post - gym. 2016. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



Enter the void. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



I wish you could notice me. 2017. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 121.9 x 91.4 cm
R 17 000.00



Crying in public 13. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Crying in public 30. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Crying in public 6. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Crying in public 16. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Crying in public 15. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Crying in public 9. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Crying in public 1. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
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Crying in public 11. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
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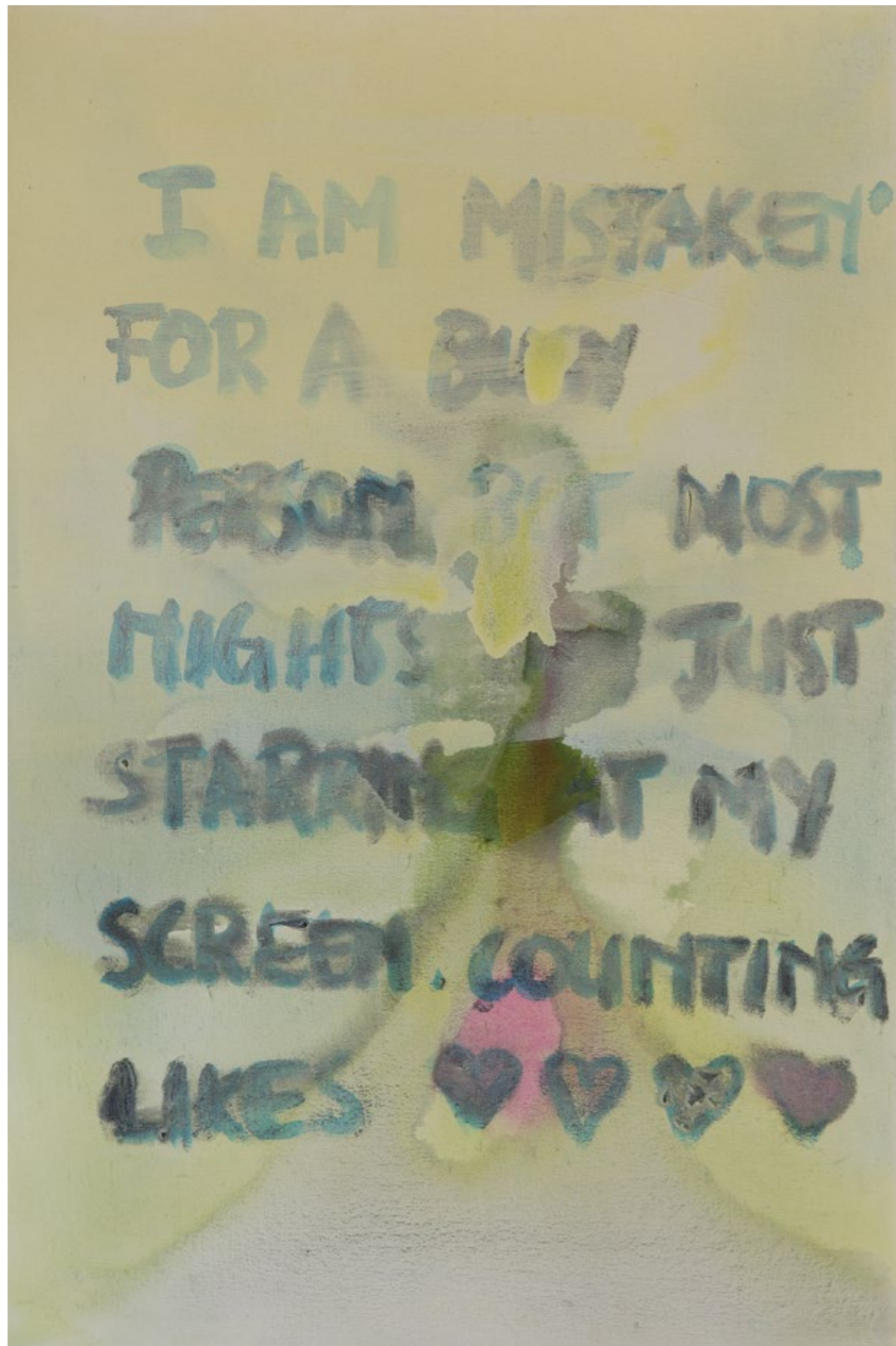
Lonely nights. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 61 x 45.7 cm | R 6 800.00



Lonely nights II. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 61 x 45.7 cm | R 6 800.00



Sorry, it's not mutual. 2017. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



"Busy". 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



Untitled marks. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



Crying in public 21. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm | R 3 500.00



The unknown. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 100 x 150 cm | R 20 000.00



Crying in public 19. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Crying in public 27. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Crying in public 24. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
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Crying in public 23. 2016-7.
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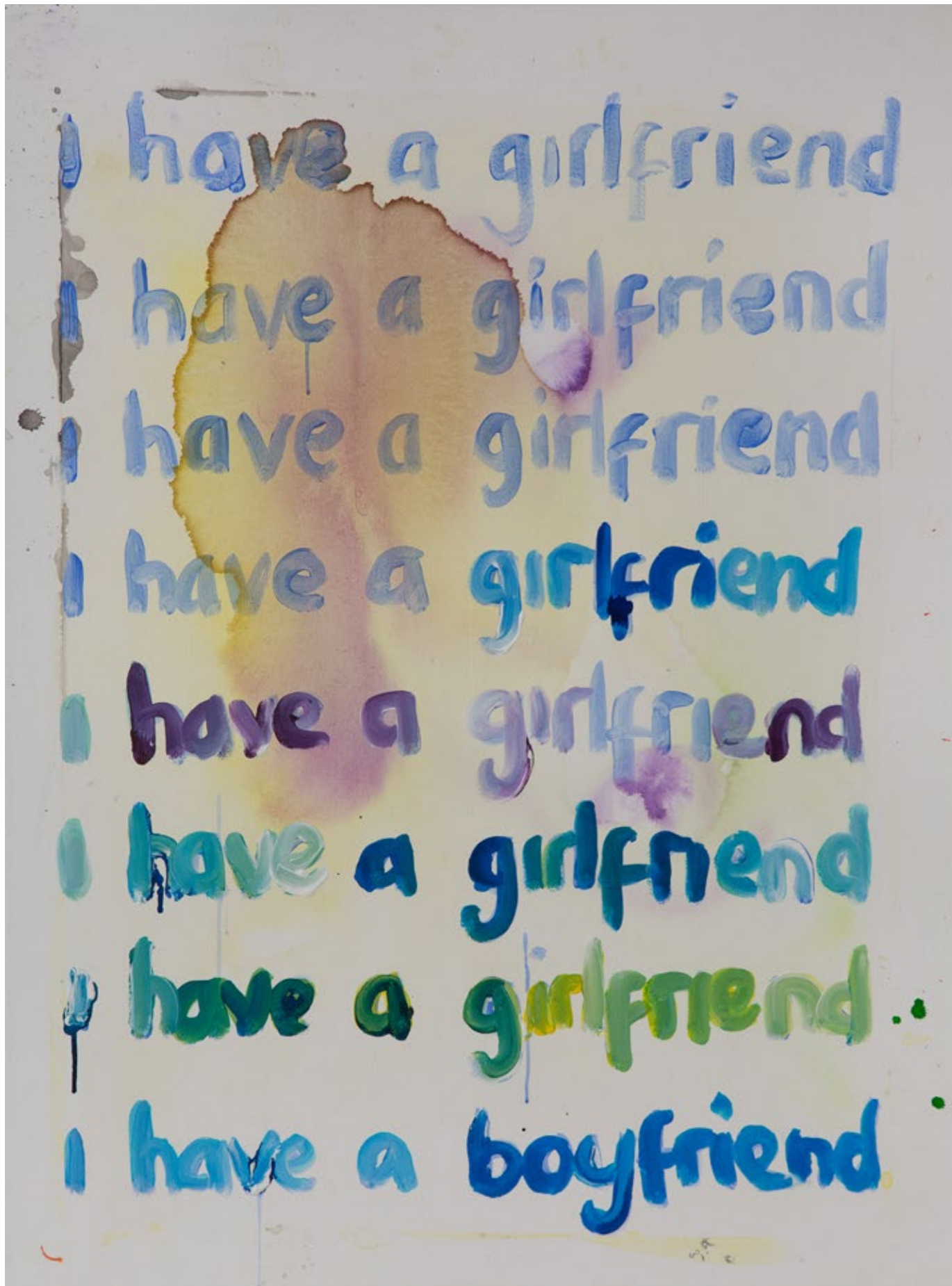
Crying in public 3. 2016-7.
Acrylic and ink on canvas, 30.5 x 22.9 cm
R 3 500.00



Drowning. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 100 x 150 cm | R 20 000.00



Untitled marks. 2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 91.4 x 61 cm | R 10 000.00



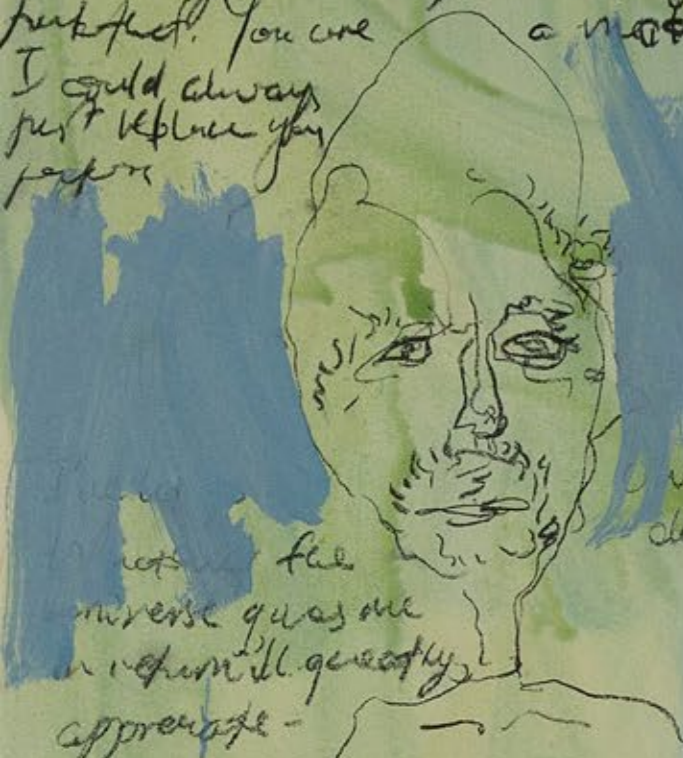
I have a girlfriend...2016-7. Acrylic and ink on canvas, 121.9 x 91.4 cm
R 17 000.00

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I want you to let your hands do the
work. Only because you are tags and all
that. You are a mortal thing
I could always
just replace you
person



if there
days human.

I've spent so much
time obsessing
over science
fiction, where
there is
equality
no love
back

tried to sleep, i am
trying it every second
absolutely and the dark
friends are not within just
and doing it for me i want
recuse. I'm sorry to
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