

# PAUL STOLPER

## LAUREN BRYDEN

Lauren Bryden (UK, b.1987) is a painter and printmaker working in Glasgow.

Bryden's work is an intimate reflection of the beauty and loss of growing and the process of matrescence. Her work invites the viewer into a world closely observing plants and figures working the earth, drawing a parallel between the act of growing plants and growing children. The cyclical processes of germination, feeding, blooming and decay summon a deep compassion in the artist and offer a system by which to explore and understand the maternal experience.

The titles of the works are inspired by plant folklore and the use of plants before the reformation in the 16th century, drawing on a period when the history of plants and healing was entangled with women's rights and the witch trials. The often-cropped framing of these images lends an intimacy to the subject, while utilising printmaking techniques which breathe life into the subject through chance textures, mark-making and depth.

Lives and works in Glasgow

## EDUCATION

2006-2010 BA (Hons) Textile Design, The Glasgow School of Art

2013-2014 Jewellery Design & Manufacture City of Glasgow College

## RESIDENCIES

2024 (April) The Royal Drawing School, 2-week Printmaking residency Dumfries House

2012 (May) Project Ability, 1-month residency, Glasgow

## RECENT EXHIBITIONS

2025 *Lauren Bryden 'Dilation'*, Paul Stolper Gallery, London

Charleston Farmhouse, Lewes

*Group show 'Heron'*, Broth Art, London

2024 *Group show 'Blue'*, Stellan Brand, Glasgow

*Group Show Lauren Bryden and Petra Börner*, Norton & Sons, London

Woolwich Contemporary Print Fair, London

London Original Print Fair, Somerset House, London

2023 *Precious Postcards curated by Claudia Kennaugh*, That Art Gallery, Bristol

Woolwich Contemporary Print Fair, London

Series launch Broth Art gallery, online

Series launch Tete-a-Tete with The Curators gallery, online

*Overwintering series*, Iota Edit, London

*Works on Paper edition 5*, Blue Shop Gallery, London

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2022 *Play and Compassion* co-curated Georgie White, Ruth Batham, Kingshill House, Cotswolds

*Fragments of Growing series*, Iota Edit, London

*Touring exhibition Precious Postcards* curated by Claudia Kennaugh, Bristol and Hollywood, Rd Gallery, London

*Group exhibition 'Midwinter Shop'*, Glasgow