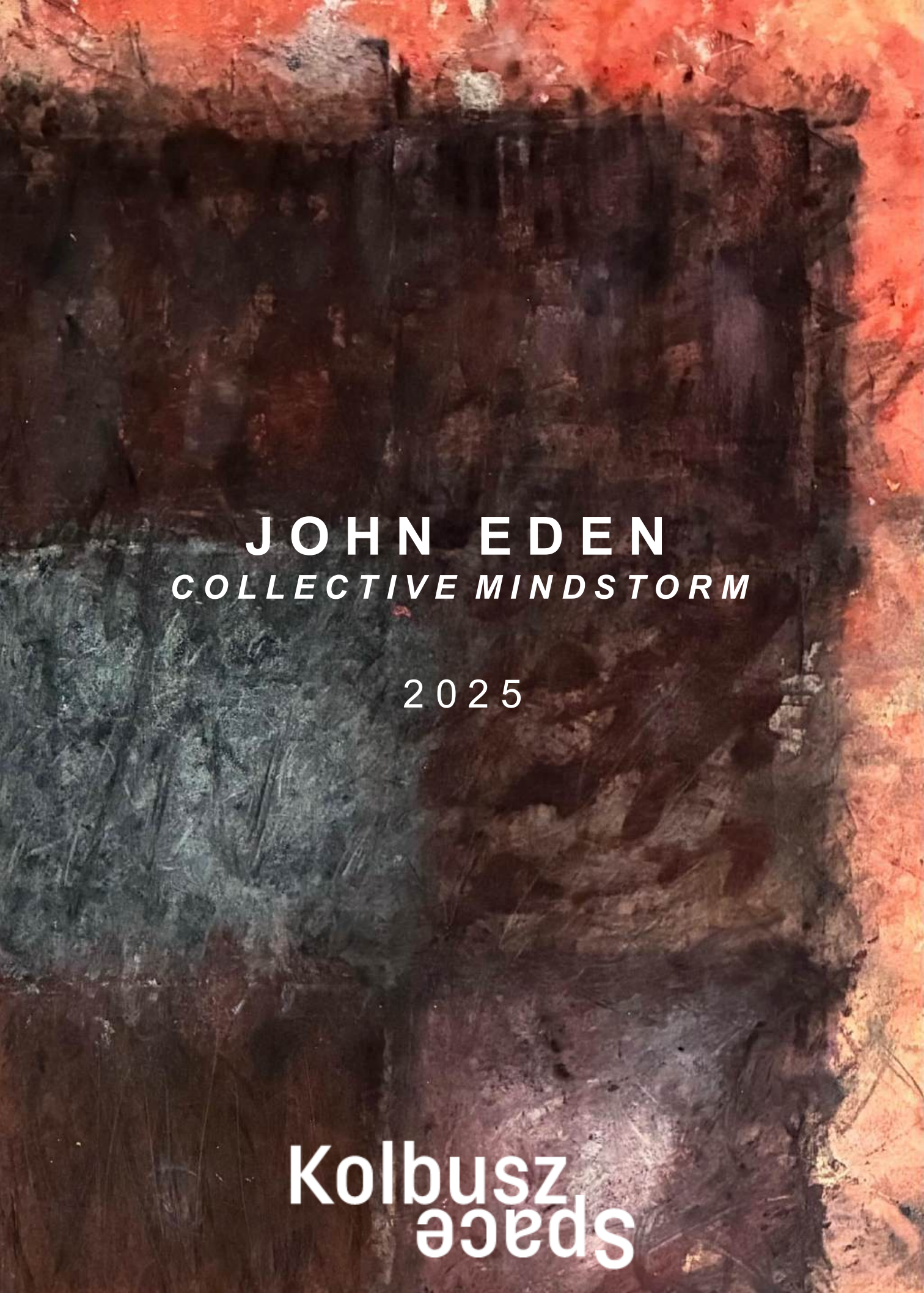
JOHN EDEN
COLLECTIVE MINDSTORM
2025
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C O L L E C T I V E M I N D S T O R M
John Eden, July 2025

My work begins in limitation: leftover house paint, bush charcoal, and an intentional absence of subject. These materials are not neutral—they carry histories. The charcoal comes from the landscape, shaped by natural fire and increasingly by human impact. The paint, once used in domestic spaces, holds traces of protection, decoration, and environmental cost.

I work on the flat and from all sides. No up, no down. No hierarchy or fixed perspective. The paintings reject narrative, symbolism, and origin stories. They are not about anything.

By stepping away from intention and meaning, I'm trying to see what's still possible. What happens when we don't ask a painting to explain itself? What's left when we stop looking for purpose?

What's left when the collective mindstorm subsides?

John EDEN. *Unnatural Histoire* 2025
Bush charcoal and salvaged house paint on canvas, 91 X 84CM
A$ 2,000

John EDEN. *Feet firmly on the Ground* 2025
Fireplace charcoal and salvaged house paint on canvas, 91 X 84CM
A$ 2,000

John EDEN. *Buttercup* 2025
Bush charcoal and salvaged house paint on canvas, 91 X 84CM
A$ 2,000

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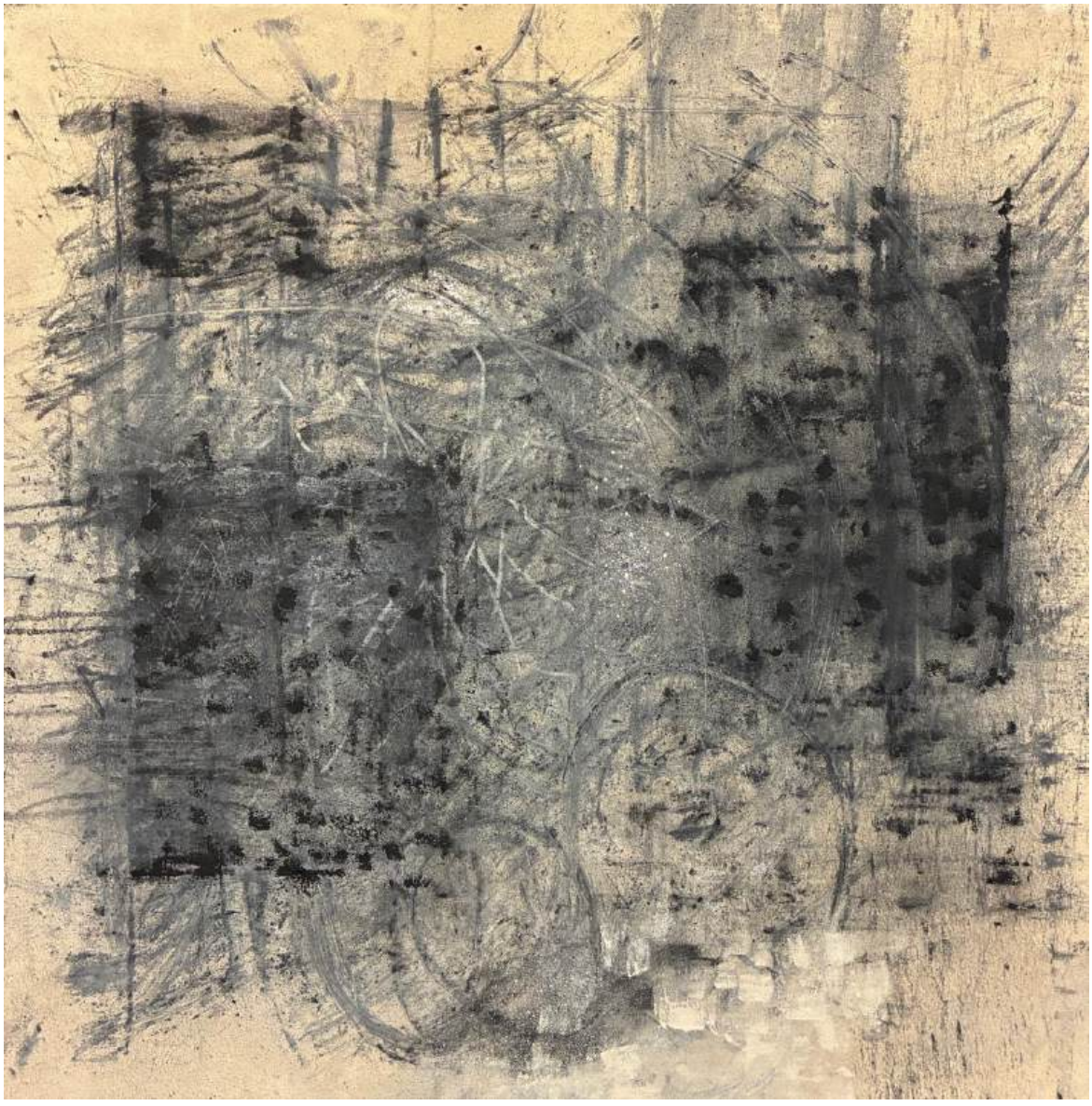
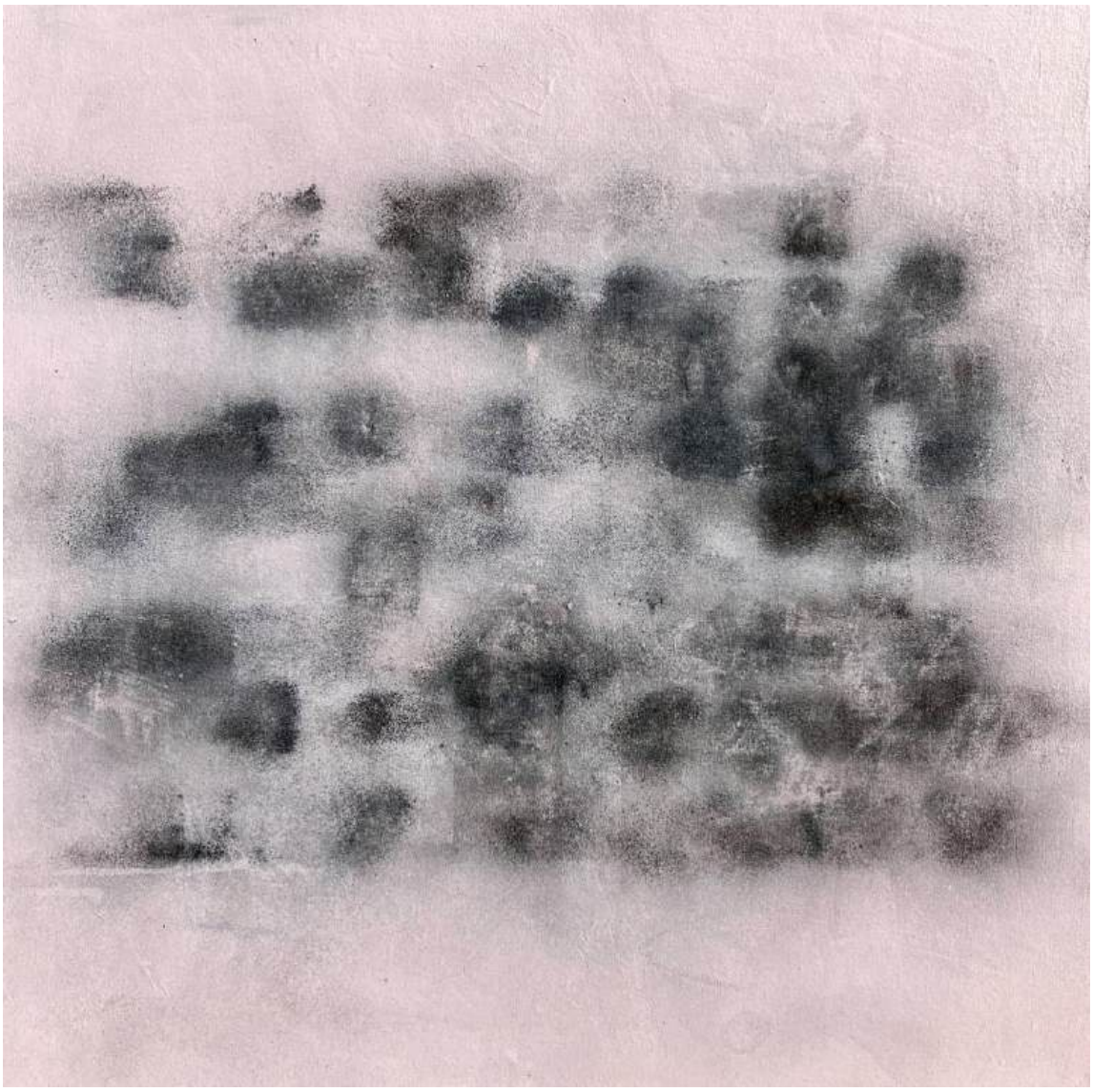
John EDEN. *Nun None* 2025
Controlled burn charcoal and salvaged house paint on canvas, 91 X 84CM
A$ 2,000



John EDEN. *Tempus Ex* 2025
Bush charcoal, wax crayon, oil stick, salvaged house and spray paint on canvas, 84 X 84CM
A$ 2,000



John EDEN. *Ashes to Dust* 2025
Burnt furniture charcoal and salvaged house paint on canvas, 80 X 80CM
A$ 1,800

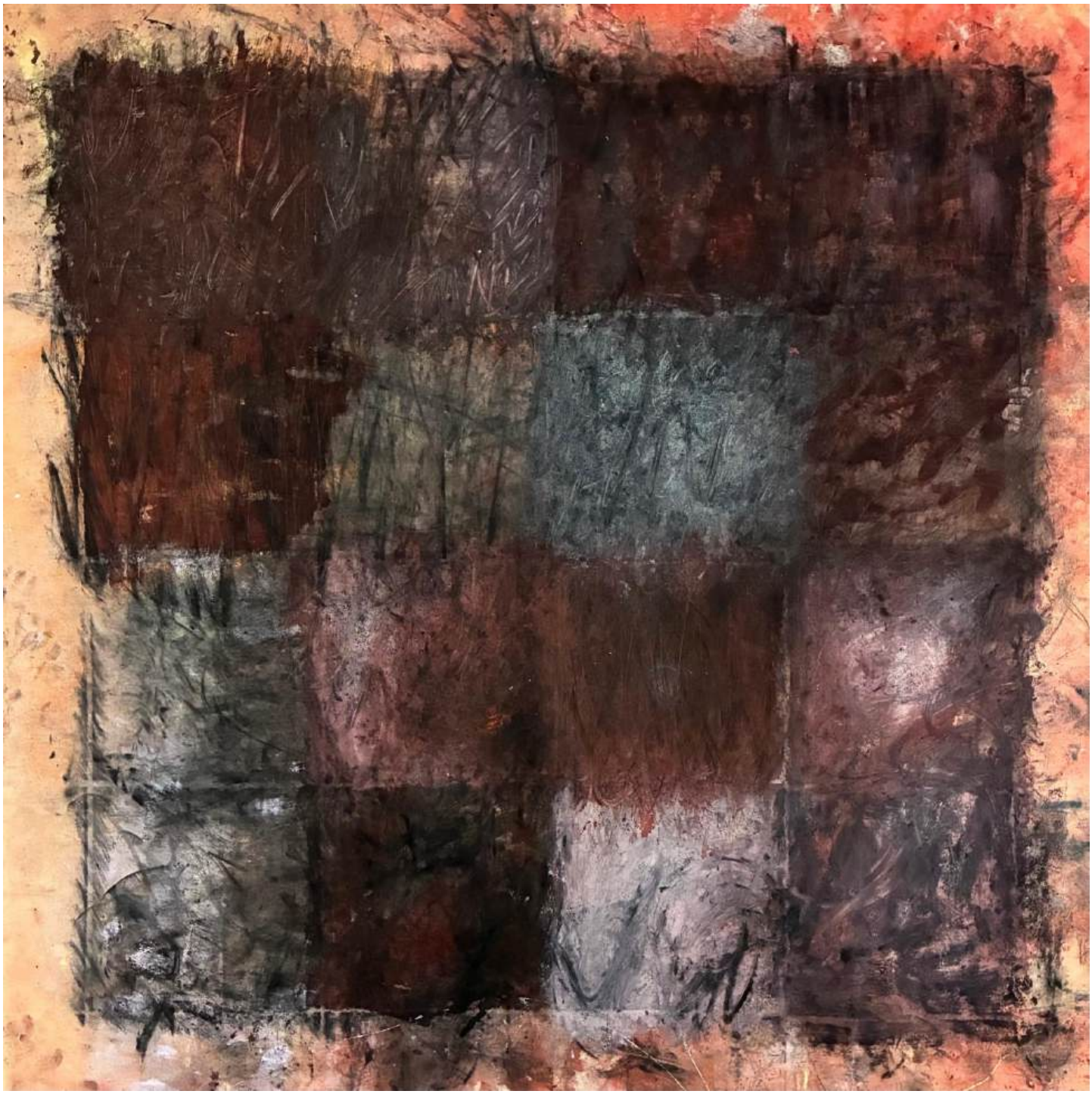
John EDEN. *Collective Mindstorm* 2025
Bush charcoal, paint pen, salvaged house and spray paint on canvas, 80 X 80CM
A$ 1,800

John EDEN. *Herzog* 2025
Bush charcoal, salvaged house and spray paint on canvas, 77 X 84CM
A$ 1,800

John EDEN. *Fatuous Ten* 2025
Bush charcoal, salvaged house paint and spray putty on canvas, 100 X 100CM
A$ 2,200

John EDEN. *Odourless Colourful* 2025
Bush charcoal and salvaged house paint on canvas, 122.5 X 126.5CM
A$ 2,500

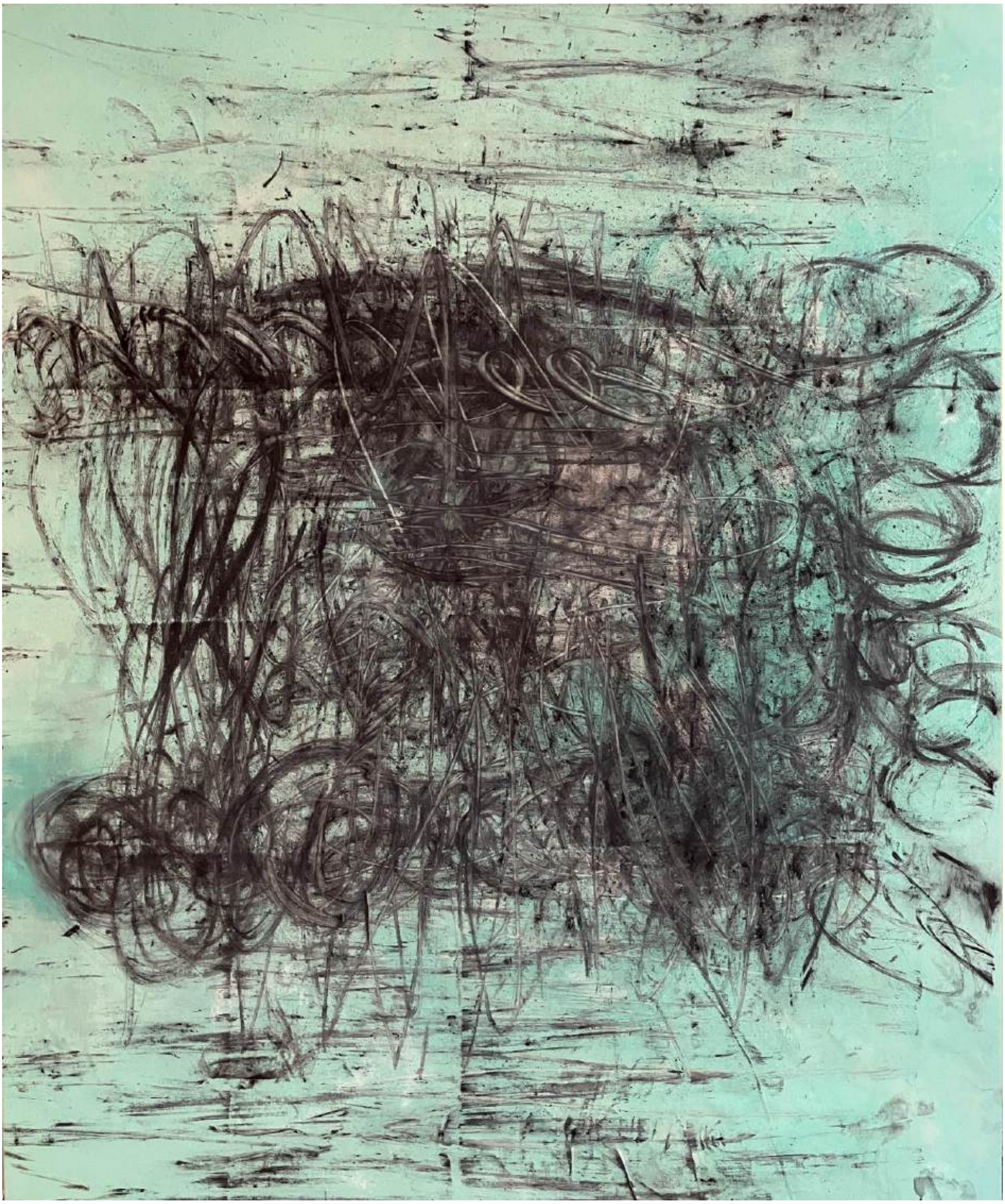
John EDEN. *Squid Berry Bimba* 2025
Bush charcoal and salvaged house paint on canvas, 172.5 X 138CM
A$ 3,200



John EDEN. *Information Facility* 2025
Bush charcoal, Diggers oxide, salvaged house and spray paint on canvas, 160 X 160CM
A$ 3,600

John EDEN. *Oblivious Camcorder* 2025
Bush charcoal, paint pen, salvaged house and spray paint on canvas, 115 X 115CM
A$ 2,500

John EDEN. *Amoebus Strip-tease* 2025
Bush charcoal and house paint on canvas, 122 X 122CM
A$ 2,500



John EDEN. *Super Imposition* 2025
Bush charcoal, wax crayon and salvaged house paint on canvas, 150 X 180CM
A$ 3,600

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Solo Exhibitions
2023 *Water & Time* Kolbusz Space, East Perth
2023 *Karijini Dreaming* The Zig Zag Gallery, Kalamunda
2023 *No Stone Unturned* Vancouver Art Centre, Albany
2022 *Art is history* The Zig Zag Gallery, Kalamunda
2022 *Tales from the bush* Mundaring Art Centre
2021 *Between borders*, Nyisztor Studio
2021 *Landmarks* Paper Mountain Gallery, Northbridge

Group Exhibitions
2024 *Summer Group* Kolbusz Space, East Perth
2024 *Interior* Midland Junction
2023 *Summer Group* Kolbusz Space, East Perth
2022 *PCWKX11* Nyisztor Studio
2022 *Summer Group* Kolbusz Space, East Perth
2022 *Extracurricular* Midland Junction
2022 Fine Art at Perth College,
2022 Churchlands SHS
2021 Mundaring Art Centre Members
2014 The Kerb Gallery, Northbridge
1991 The Orsini Gallery, Portobello Rd, London

Residencies
2024 Denmark Arts
2023 Vancouver Art Centre

Collections & Commissions
St John of God Health Care Collection
Commission to paint the world's fastest gunslinger, Smokey Joe.

Prizes and Awards
2025 *Winner Local Resident Award*, Kalamunda Art Awards
2025 Finalist Minnawarra Art Award
2024 Finalist Mandorla Art Award
2024 Finalist Minnawarra Art Award
2024 Finalist Castaways Small Sculpture Awards
2024 Finalist City of Bayswater Community Art Awards
2024 Finalist Darlington Open Art Exhibition
2023 Finalist Bunbury Biennale Culture/Nature (workshop)
2023 Finalist Minnawarra Art Award
2023 Finalist Lions Club of Kalamunda Art Awards
2023 Finalist Cossack Art Award
2023 Finalist Stirling Art Award
2023 Finalist Darlington Open Art Exhibition
2022 *1st Prize 2D*, Lions Club of Kalamunda Art Awards
2022 Finalist City of Armadale Minnawarra Art Show
2022 Finalist City of Gosnells Community Art Award
2022 Finalist City of Belmont Art Award
2022 Finalist City of Canning Art Award
2022 *Highly Commended*, Darlington Open Art Exhibition
2021 Finalist City of Armadale Minnawarra Art Show
2021 Finalist Melville City Art Awards
2021 Finalist City of Stirling Art Awards
2021 Finalist City of Bayswater Community Art Awards
2021 Finalist Geraldton Mid-West Art Prize
2021 Finalist Cervantes Art Award
2021 Finalist City of Busselton Art Award
2021 Finalist Darlington Open Art Exhibition

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