

Alec Cumming

How did I get here?

Opening in the presence of the artist: Thursday 13 February 2025 | 18:30 – 21:30

Exhibition Duration: 13 February – 8 March 2025

The Edit Gallery 1 Agias Zonis str., 23 Nicolaou Pentadromos Centre, 3026, Limassol, Cyprus

Working Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 15:00 – 19:00

Saturday, 10:00 – 13:00



How'd I get here?
oil on canvas
91 x 152 cm
Courtesy of the artist and The Edit
Gallery

THE EDIT GALLERY is thrilled to announce *How Did I Get Here?*, a captivating solo exhibition by renowned British contemporary artist Alec Cumming. Known for his vibrant, multifaceted painting style, Cumming continues to explore the dynamic intersection of abstraction and figuration, presenting an evolved perspective in this latest body of work.

This exhibition highlights Cumming's signature celebration of life, now enhanced by a fresh focus on isolated moments and details. Smaller oil-on-canvas works draw attention to fragments from larger compositions, while expansive pieces seamlessly blend abstract and figurative elements, subtly revealing the human form. The title, *How Did I Get Here?*, encapsulates the artist's playful yet introspective exploration of identity and place, inviting viewers to connect deeply with the works—and themselves. It evokes a reflective question that could just as easily be posed by the figures within the paintings, blurring the boundaries between artist, artwork, and audience.

Cumming's artistic practice has been profoundly influenced by his travels, particularly his time in Cyprus. The island's landscapes and cultural heritage have enriched his visual language, inspiring

vibrant symbols and shapes that capture fleeting impressions and spark curiosity and joy. As the artist explains, his work is about “that funny thing the brain does when it captures something pleasing, causing the eyes to linger—a subconscious satisfaction.”

How Did I Get Here? invites viewers into a contemplative and interactive dialogue, weaving narratives of the real and imagined, and celebrating the profound beauty of life’s small moments.

About the artist

Alec Cumming (b. 1984, Norwich, UK) is a contemporary artist celebrated for his dynamic, cross-cultural works. A graduate of Norwich University of the Arts (2007), he has exhibited globally, including nine appearances at India Art Fair, where he was recognized as "the one to watch" in 2016.

During his three years at the NIV Art Centre in New Delhi, Cumming developed his practice and created the monumental *Dialogues with India* series. He began collaborating with THE EDIT GALLERY in Cyprus in 2019. His relationship with Cyprus continues to inspire his work, enriching his vibrant visual language with impressions of the island’s landscapes and culture.

Cumming is also represented by Rhodes Contemporary Art in London. Based in Norfolk, UK, his work is informed by his extensive travels and diverse cultural experiences.

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