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Press Release

### ROSIE SANDERS

By any other name

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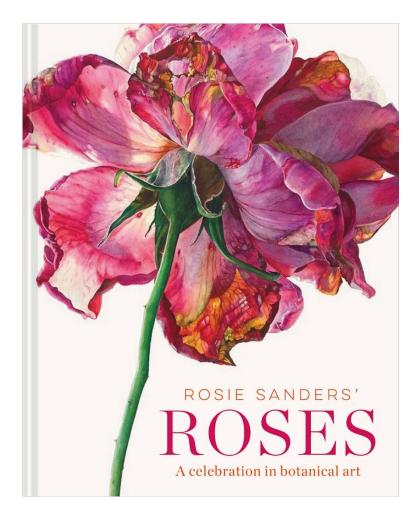


ABOVE: Gentle Hermione, watercolour on Arches 640gsm paper, 40.16 x 60.62ins (102 x 154cm)

In September 2019 Jonathan Cooper, Chelsea, will be holding an exhibition of over twenty new paintings by the internationally-collected artist Rosie Sanders, whose work has been awarded five Gold Medals by the Royal Horticultural Society, has been exhibited in the Shirley Sherwood Gallery of Botanical Art, Kew Gardens, and is held in the collection of the Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation, Carnegie Mellon University.

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Working from her home and studio in Devon, Sanders paints in watercolour, often on an enlarged scale that makes her paintings instantly recognisable. Technically masterful and emotionally expressive, these paintings seek to communicate the artist's inner life, their titles evoking the passions of poetry and literature rather than the botanical identification of their subject.



The exhibition will focus primarily on the beauty of the rose, and will feature many of the works included in the publication *Rosie Sanders' Roses: A celebration in botanical art*, which will be released by Batsford in September 2019.

Sometimes I think painting is like looking through smoked glass; images and shapes emerge and recede; patterns are constantly changing and although things are seen they are more ambiguous, triggering memories and reflections otherwise hidden deep in the psyche. My work is a way of connecting with myself and communicating something of that knowledge to others.

- Rosie Sanders

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#### **NOTES TO EDITORS**



Rosie Sanders lives and works in Devon. Self taught, she has gone on to win several awards including the Royal Academy Miniature Award in 1985 and five Royal Horticultural Gold Medals. In 2008 her work was included in the inaugural exhibition at the Shirley Sherwood Gallery of Botanical Art, Kew Gardens, and in 2016 was celebrated in the publication Rosie Sanders' Flowers: A Celebration of Botanical Art, published by Batsford, who in September 2019 will be releasing Rosie Sanders' Roses: A celebration in botanical art.

LEFT: *Infinite Shades of Grey*, watercolour on Arches 640gsm paper, 35.62 x 30.31ins (90.5 x 77cm)

Jonathan Cooper - founded in 1988 - is a London-based contemporary art gallery specialising in representational drawing, painting, and sculpture. The gallery is a member of SLAD (The Society of London Art Dealers), BADA (The British Antique Dealers Association) and LAPADA (The Association of Art & Antique Dealers), and regularly exhibits at international art fairs.

RIGHT: *Remembrance of Things Past*, watercolour on Arches 640gsm paper, 35.62 x 30.31ins (90.5 x 77cm)



#### LISTING INFORMATION

The gallery is open Monday – Friday 10am – 6.30pm and Saturday 11am – 4pm. Free Admission. Jonathan Cooper, 20 Park Walk, London, SW10 0AQ.

#### PRESS INFORMATION

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