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GRATITUDE AND ORCHIDS

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For this small series of work I was first inspired by a piece I did for Look magazines 40th anniversary edition. I was very luckily to be given the opportunity to create a work to be used as a gifted card that depicted a table scape with a birthday party theme to be given to all the members of the Art Gallery of NSW. After completing that work I was musing on how lucky I was and how although life has not or is not always easy I have so much to be grateful for, and it was this idea that brought me to make this small exhibition -Gratitude and Orchids. In this body of work I have imagined some of my close friends and some family all at the same birthday party, but in a way that each one is also at their own birthday.

Each work has objects of significance that make each painting a form of portrait through objects while still embracing the collective celebration. Through this series I hope to celebrate both some of the wonderful unique creative people I love and who make my life so much richer but also to remind myself of all the small things that I have to be grateful for even if it's just the orchids in my house coming into bloom.

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Bridget

80 x 64 cm

Acrylic on Board

Painted Vintage Frame

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Nicky

74 x 54 cm Acrylic on Board Painted Vintage Frame \$3300

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Mario

62 x 44 cm

Acrylic on Board

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Lucy

\$3100

52 x 63 cm Acrylic on Board Painted Vintage Frame

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Table Gathering

68 x 42 cm

Acrylic on Board

Painted Vintage Frame

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Anne

50 x 60 cm

Acrylic on Board

Painted Vintage Frame

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Caitlin

\$2400

46 x 39 cm Acrylic on Board Painted Vintage Frame

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Jess

32 x 41 cm

Acrylic on Board

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\$1700

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Hannah

51 x 62 cm

Acrylic on Board

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Brad

74 x 56 cm

Acrylic on Board

Painted Vintage Frame