

## Gallery - On Show

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### *About this section*

These paintings have been put up for sale and can be viewed on request.

### *Note from the Artist*

I started painting about 3 years ago and I still feel like a novice. The more I learn, the more I realize how little I know!

Yet I know in my heart that I am an artist. I have a desperate need to be creative, whether it's painting, writing, or even creating this website.

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Tiamari Taljaard - Artist (Oils)





**T-013**

**Orange Babe**

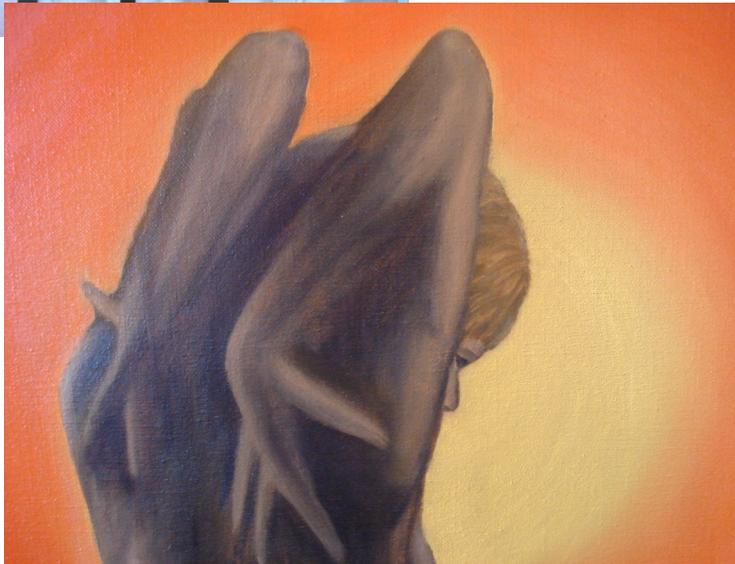
Oil on Stretched Canvas

60cm x 60cm

Not framed

R 850.00

I am still not sure if this painting is really “finished”, and I can’t decide whether I like it or not...





**T-007**

**Bums (green)**

Oil on Canvas

60cm x 60cm

Not framed

Ro.00 (FREE)

Another copy of the “bums” - I made 3 of them, each with slightly different colouring.

I gave one away already - this one is up for grabs too - unless of course you absolutely INSIST on making a donation...

Much as I love to paint, life and work gets in the way all the time. It's such an awesome thing to do, that it's just not worth trying to fit it in between normal duties and a hectic work schedule.

I only seem to get really creative when I'm on holiday. If I dare paint at any other time, I end up getting too pre-occupied with it, don't get to bed early enough, and absolutely dread going to work in the morning. Guess I'll have to stick to painting on holidays and long weekends.

It's also a rather expensive hobby. Artist paint doesn't come for free. Then there are the extras – Turpentine, Linseed Oil and other mediums, Gesso, and of course the Canvases!

I build my own canvases to save money. This means that every now and then I have to get back to playing with wood, glue, scissors and staple guns. It's part of the fun, but also time consuming.

Time and money – the two great needs in life. And art requires a lot of both.

When I started out I had no confidence in my talent. Friends who praised my work were regarded with suspicion and if anyone got really excited about any of my paintings, I was so thrilled that I happily gave a number of paintings away. I couldn't actually SELL them because I was convinced that the canvases were sub-standard, the paint would start to flake by next week, and any 8-year old could do a better job anyway!

I've now come to the conclusion that, no matter what people think of my art... I, for one, like it! And if I will gladly hang it in my own house, there is no need to give it away. If nobody buys any of it, I will simply keep them all. Nobody got famous by giving paintings away anyway. So now my paintings (the ones I am willing to part with) are being "upgraded" with relatively pricey labels (considering that I am not well-known). But I am a sentimental person, and I put a lot of money, time, energy, effort, love, and SOUL into every one of my pictures, and selling any of them for the price of "pizza for two" would be a lot worse than giving it away for free!

I've considered doing some paintings in bulk, to make it easier, faster, cheaper... but I guess it's just not my thing. I firstly paint for myself (that's why you will see some weird stuff in my collection) and if anyone else also like it, well then that's fabulous!

I, of course, always recommend learning to paint and doing it yourself! Then you can paint whatever you want, and you don't have to pay any extra! And you'll have something really personal hanging on your wall!

For those who don't feel like exploring their hidden talents... there is always the option of buying...

Thank you (from the bottom of my art heart) for showing an interest in my work!

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