



## Mo Stewart

Mo Stewart is an emerging artist who is new to the Monterey Art Gallery. Her abstract expressionism paintings are characterized by her new-found liberty to convey attitude and emotion by way of gestural brush-stokes and lines, which through non-traditional and non-representational means, gives the impression of spontaneity.

She says:

"I am an artist who enjoys painting and occasionally sketching. Painting has been a part of my life since I was young and has become ingrained in my day to day life. In many ways I am fiercely loyal to being a creator of art. I believe that creating should be almost, "child-like" in its honesty. I am inspired by the world around me from people, surroundings, architecture, nature and especially complex emotions. My abstract pieces are painted intuitively and with many expressive brush strokes as well as elements of drawing with different mediums. My biggest challenge is making sense of the almost accidental completion of pieces. My journey is in discovering whether sense can be made at all and I love it."

Mo was a second place winner at the Auckland Royal Easter Show 2015 (Category, Pushing the Boundaries), for her "What Lies Beneath" painting. At the Auckland Royal Easter Show 2016, she won third place in the Artist Revolution category for her "Process" painting.

Mo Steward is an emerging artist who is resident at the Monterey Art Gallery, Auckland.