

imaginary vacation on an imaginary lake

paintings by Julia Schwartz

These days due to circumstance I move in small circles, travel freeways from ocean to inland, but have not gone beyond an afternoon's drive. Feeling landlocked, I was longing for a summer holiday.

So between the solstice and the equinox I painted one.

Main Galerie: *Imaginary Vacation on an Imaginary Lake* – Paintings by Julia Schwartz

Julia's art has previously been featured in the Galerie Project Room. In her first solo show with the galerie the whimsical theme for this collection of work finds its roots in the longing for a summer holiday. Not possible in reality, the artist imagined one instead and the result is these wonderful paintings. The subject matter accurately captures the spirit of the intent but emerges gracefully through the loose paint handling and the subdued, yet festive palette. It is the latter qualities that breathe life into the vacation fantasy. As with any great painting these pieces evoke a realism that goes beyond mere depiction that is as much felt as it is seen.

Julia Schwartz is a California artist who lives and works in Santa Monica. Her work has been featured in several 1, 2 and 3 person exhibitions throughout California but primarily in Los Angeles. She has also been included in multiple group shows in California and New York since 2010.