

ALLOUCHE GALLERY

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PAUL INSECT

SEEYOU

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Allouche Gallery is thrilled to present “Seeyou,” an upcoming solo exhibition featuring a collection of new paintings by the British artist, Paul Insect.

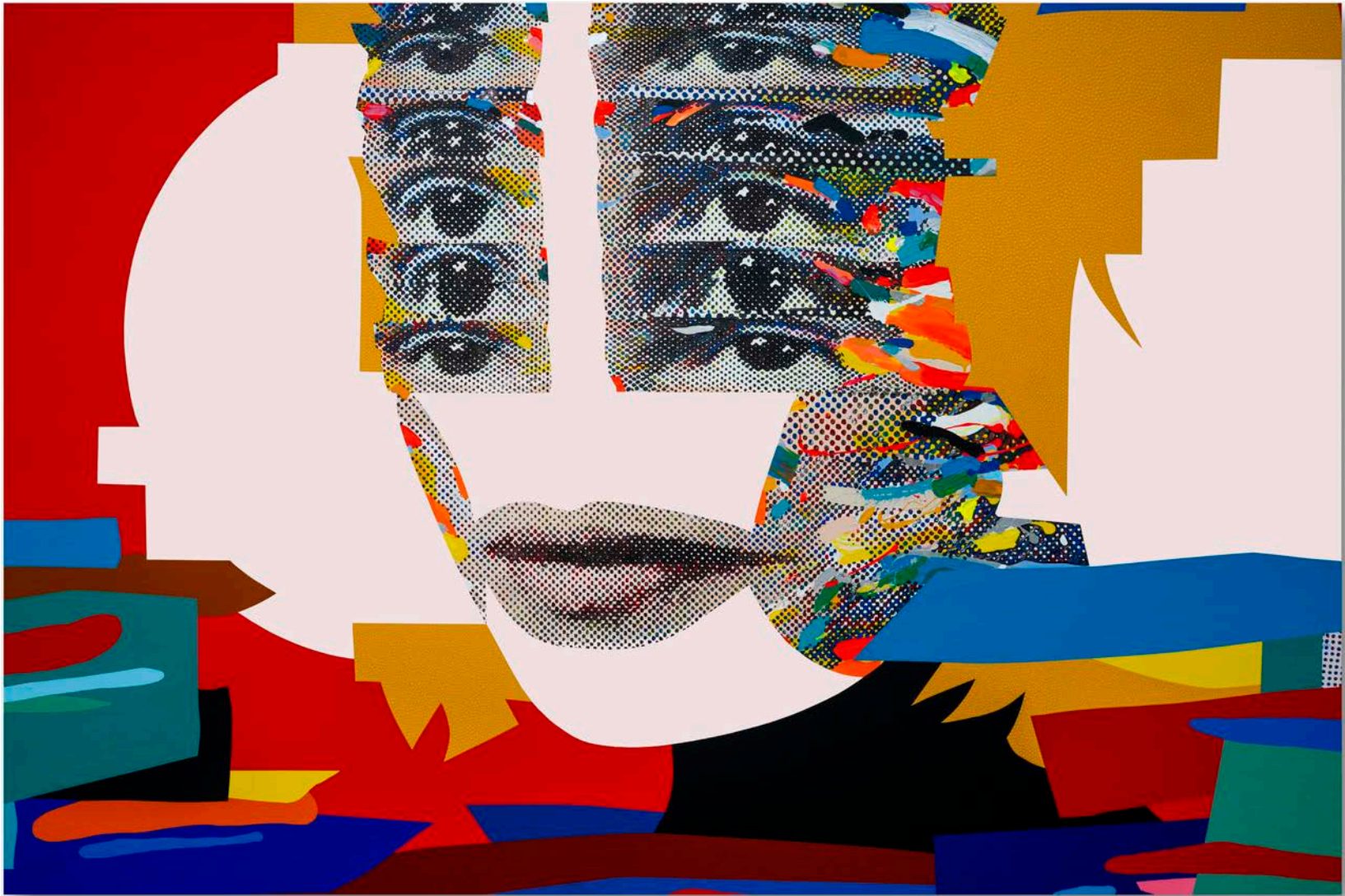
A London-based artist who originally hails from south-east England, Paul’s distinct artistic style is a mesmerizing interplay of revelation and obscurity, urging viewers to contemplate their subjectivity in a society marked by constant streams of information. A true mixed media artist, Insect has worked with painting, screen printing, video, performance, and sculptures from found and discarded objects. For his new show, “Seeyou,” Paul has used a clever mix of painted wall fragments that hint at his street art roots, along with a range of large paintings on canvas and smaller works on wood panels.

Paul Insect first became known for his graphic work in the 90’s and as one of London’s original street art trailblazers. With his collective ‘Insect’, Paul started creating flyers for clubs in London, working with the print house ‘Pictures on Walls,’ while creating artwork for various music labels and musicians. He then broke out as a solo artist with his first show in 2007 ‘Bullion’ in London’s Soho, which was entirely bought-out by Damien Hirst before the opening. The show cleverly featured piles of gold bullion bars with bites taken out of them.

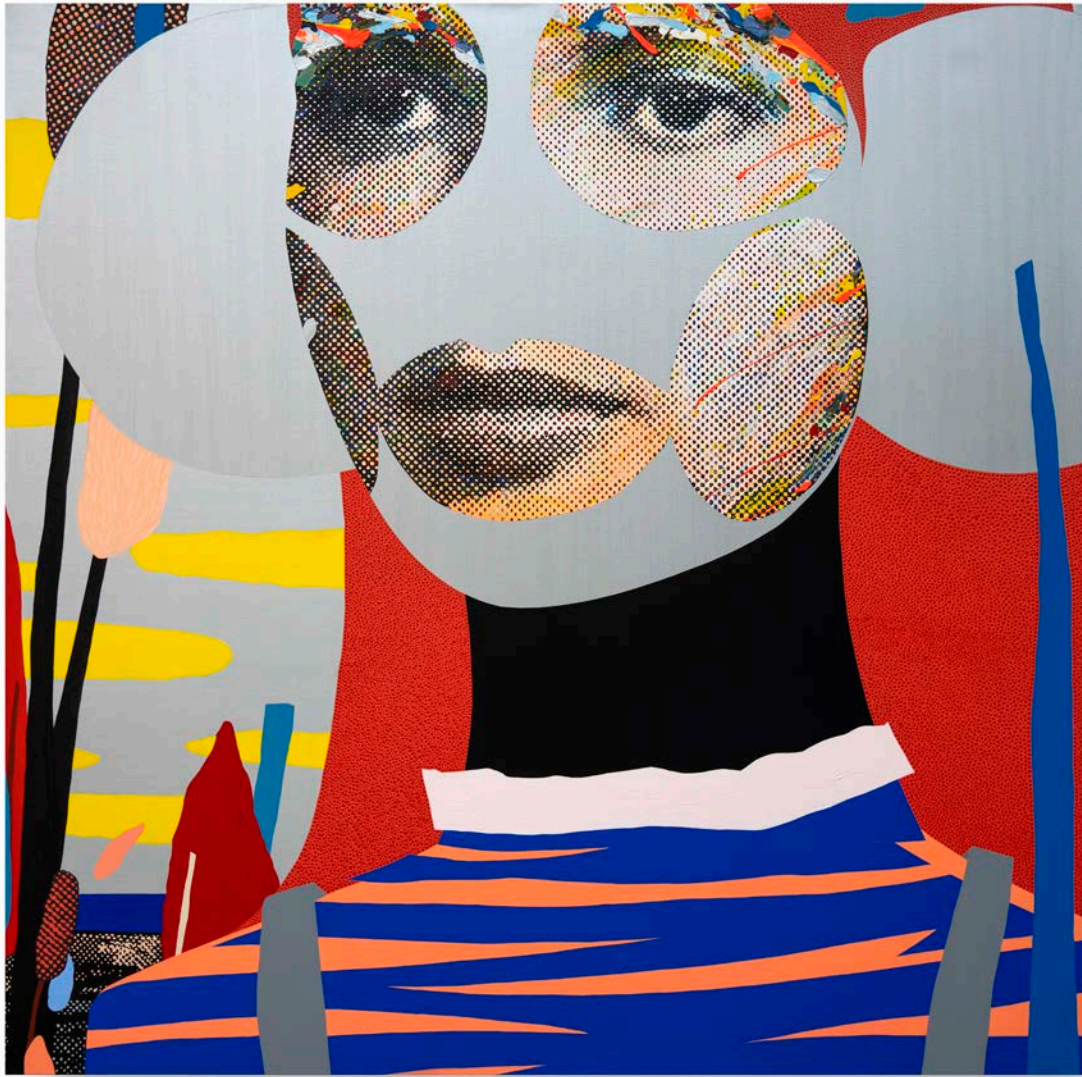
Since then, Paul’s honest visual language has become ubiquitous in the contemporary art scene — his meticulously hand painted raster dots create a pixelated effect on his subjects whose details are obscured by large bold shapes and protruding ears. In doing so, he is able to manipulate the viewer’s perspective, to hide certain parts of his subject’s faces while revealing others. In a world marked by self-representation and identity riddled anxiety, Insect finds power and meaning in his universe of anonymous figures.

In “Seeyou,” Paul continues to develop his aesthetic language, cutting and cropping portraits with distant gazes from different angles, while expanding or distorting features. Insect’s work is in part inspired by his screen printing and graphic design roots, creating a trompe l’oeil painted photocopy effect. Through this process, Insect is able to access that funny feeling that can best be described as recovering a damaged old photograph — at once familiar and uncanny, but always joyful.

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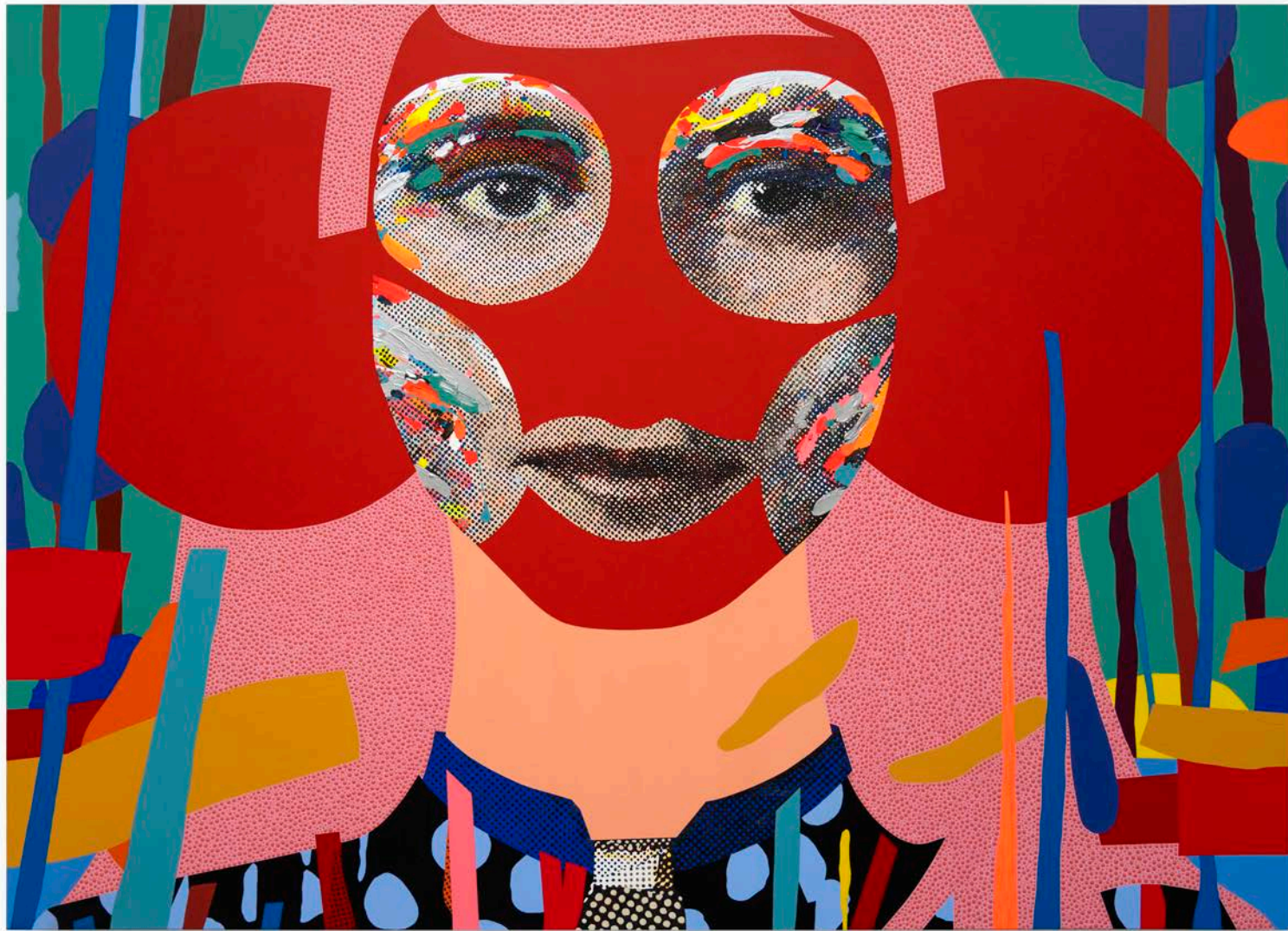
Paul Insect  
Looking Into My Glass, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on raw linen  
70.9 x 1.6 x 102.4 inches



Paul Insect  
Calm So Deep, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on raw linen  
70.9 x 1.6 x 70.9 inches



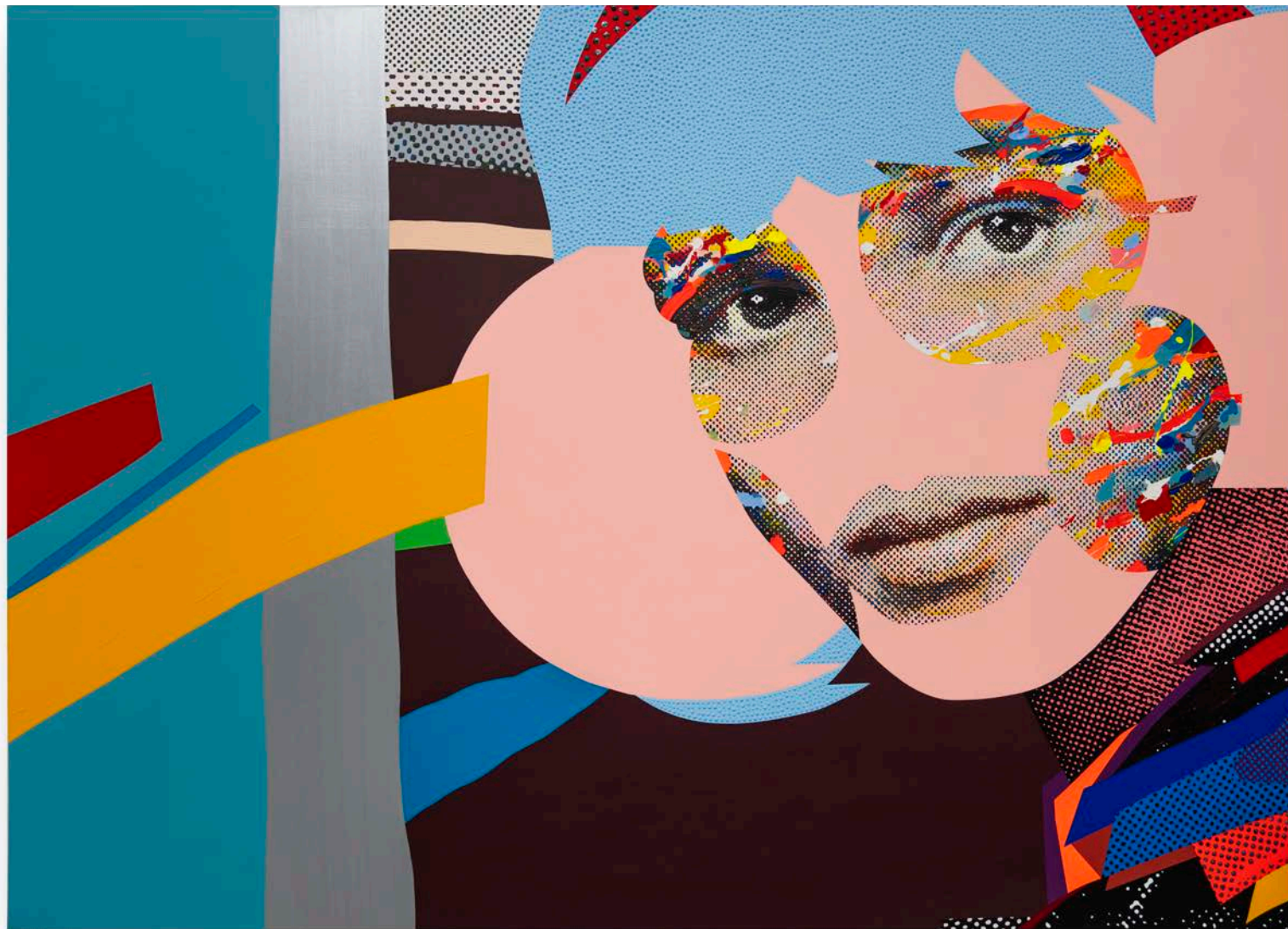
Paul Insect  
Vision Disturbance, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on raw linen  
63 x 1.6 x 63 inches



Paul Insect  
Silence of the Day, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on raw linen  
51.2 x 1.6 x 70.9 inches



Paul Insect  
Volume A Prism, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on raw linen  
51.2 x 1.6 x 70.9 inches



Paul Insect  
Dwell Out of Sight, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on raw linen  
51.2 x 1.6 x 70.9 inches

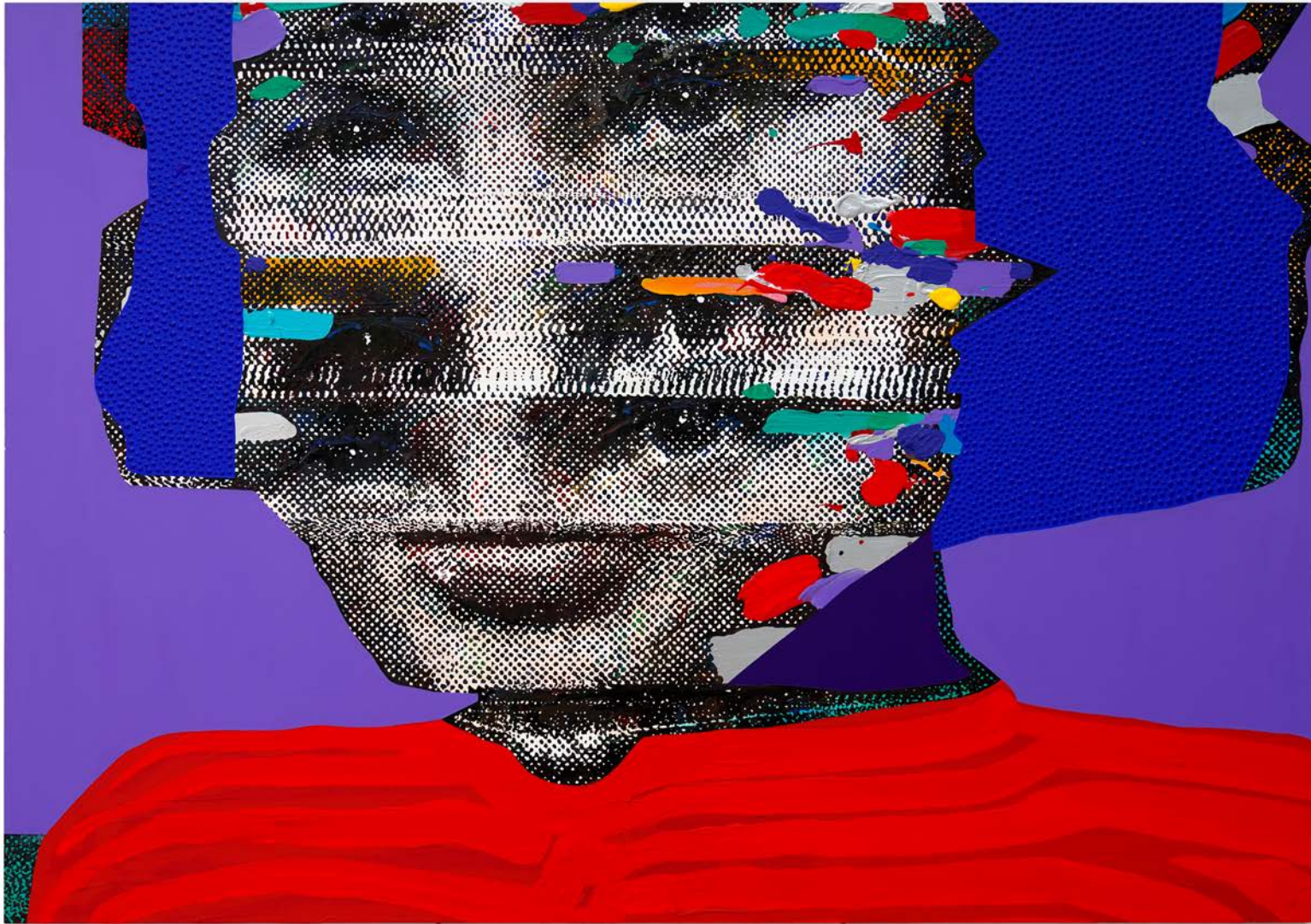




Paul Insect  
Understanding Our New Place, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on raw linen  
51.2 x 1.6 x 70.9 inches



Paul Insect  
Let Me View You, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on raw linen  
51.2 x 1.6 x 51.2 inches



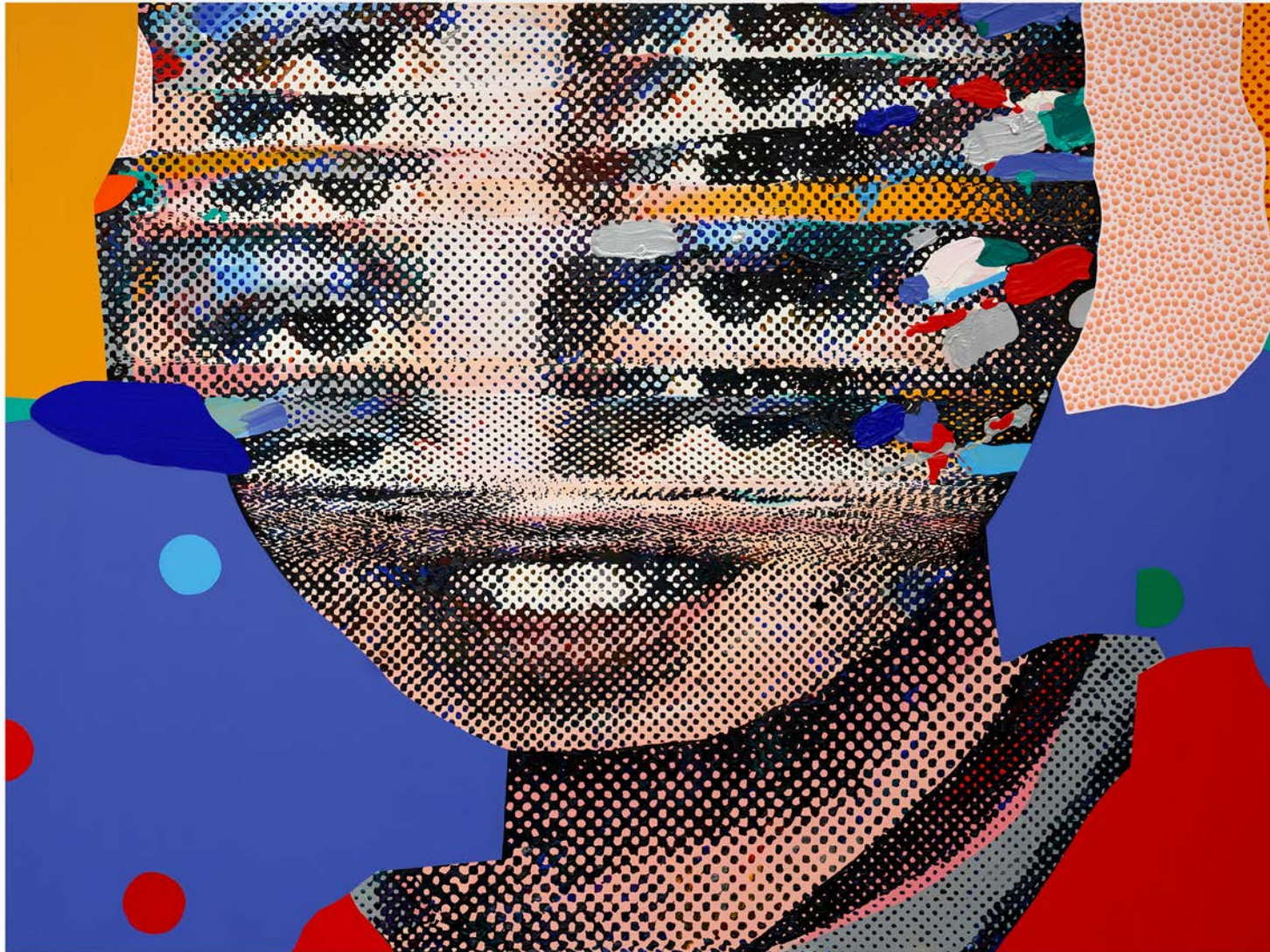
Paul Insect  
False as Dreams, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on wood panel  
27.5 x 39.4 inches



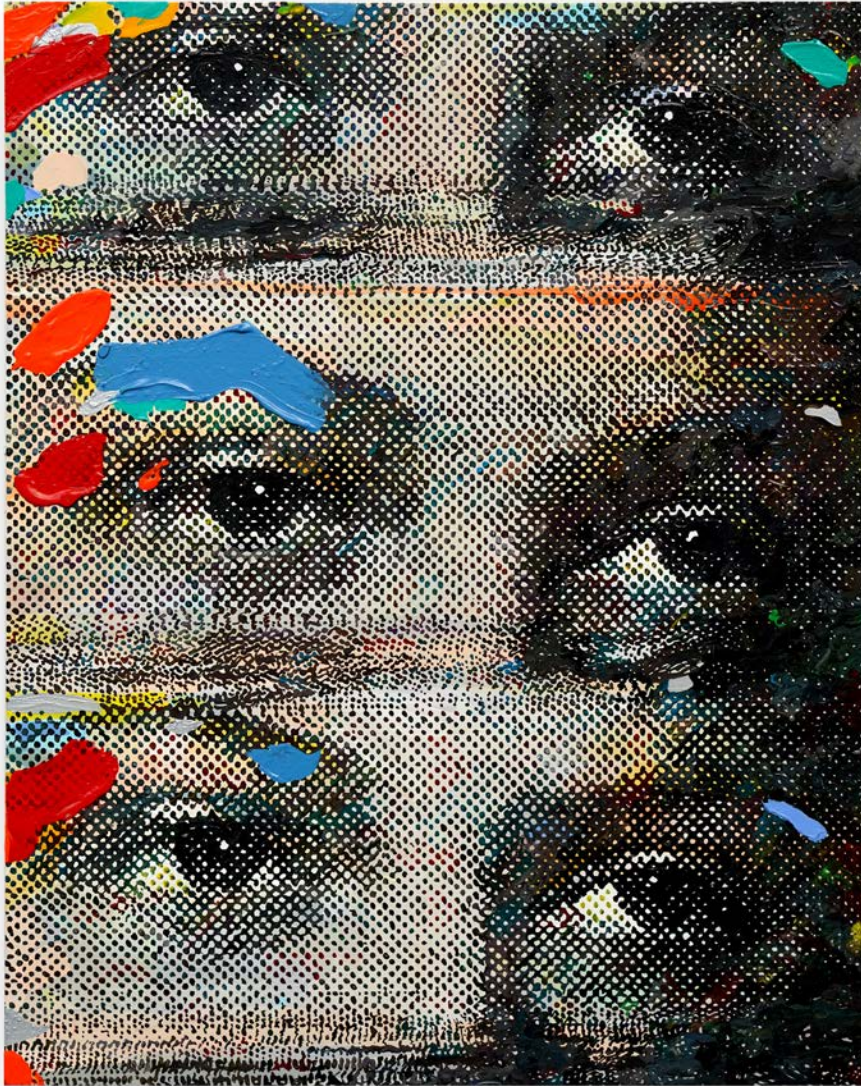
Paul Insect  
All Are Illusions, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on wood panel  
24 x 17.9 inches



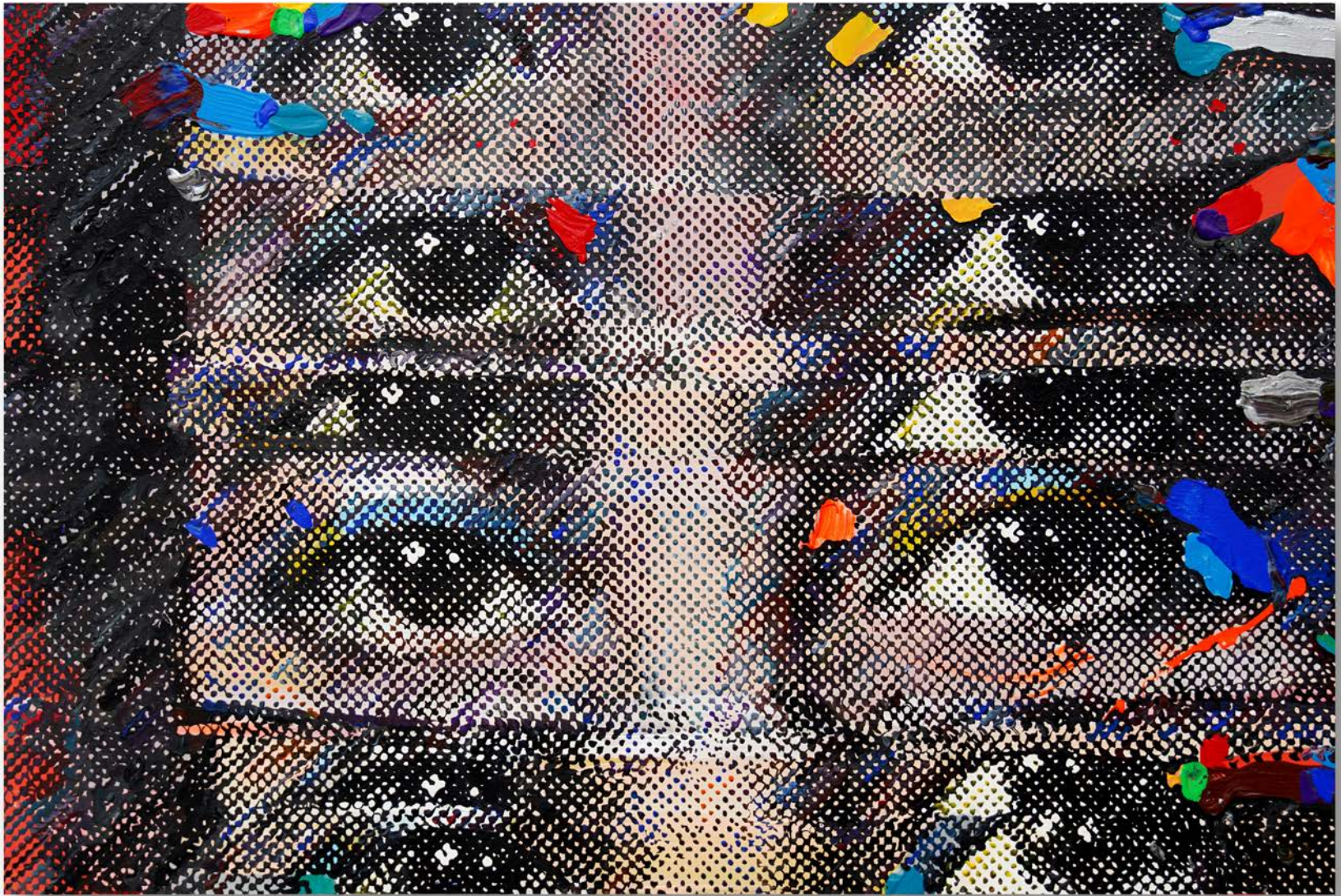
Paul Insect  
Cross Sectioned, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on wood panel  
23.6 x 31.5 inches



Paul Insect  
From Those Lights, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on wood panel  
23.6 x 31.5 inches

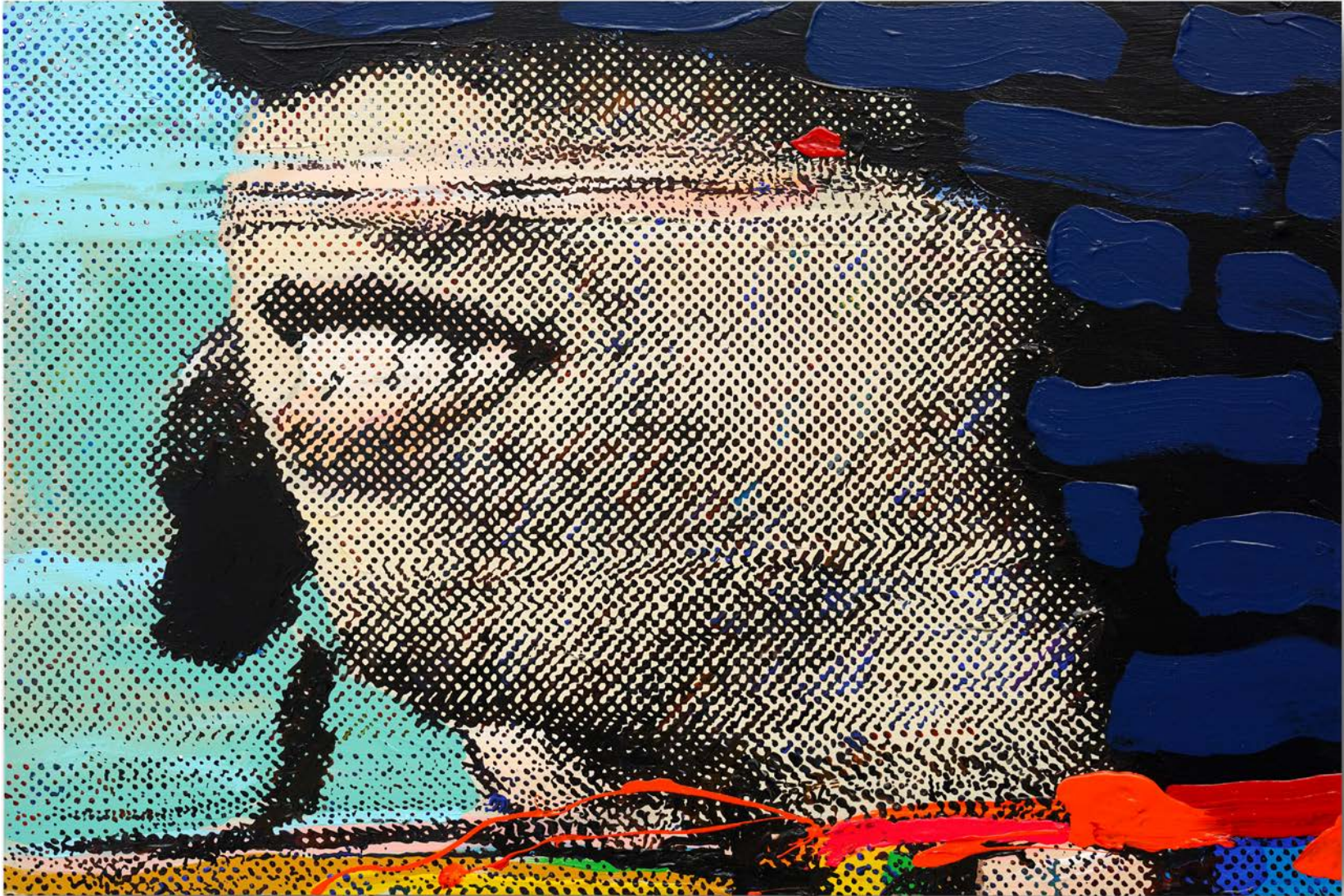


Paul Insect  
Prismeyes2, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on wood panel  
22.8 x 18.1 inches



Paul Insect  
Prismeyes1, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on wood panel  
18.1 x 22.8 inches

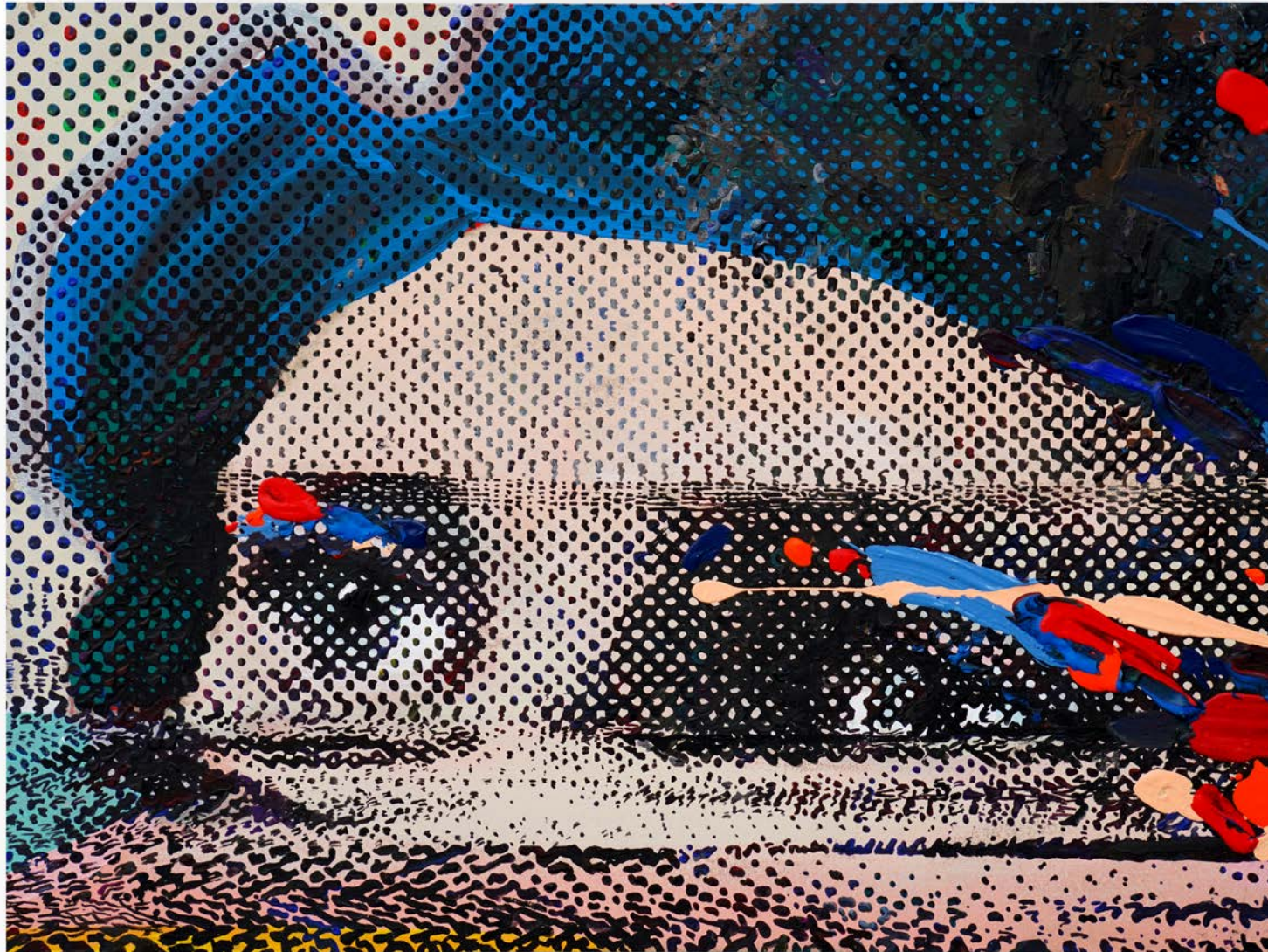




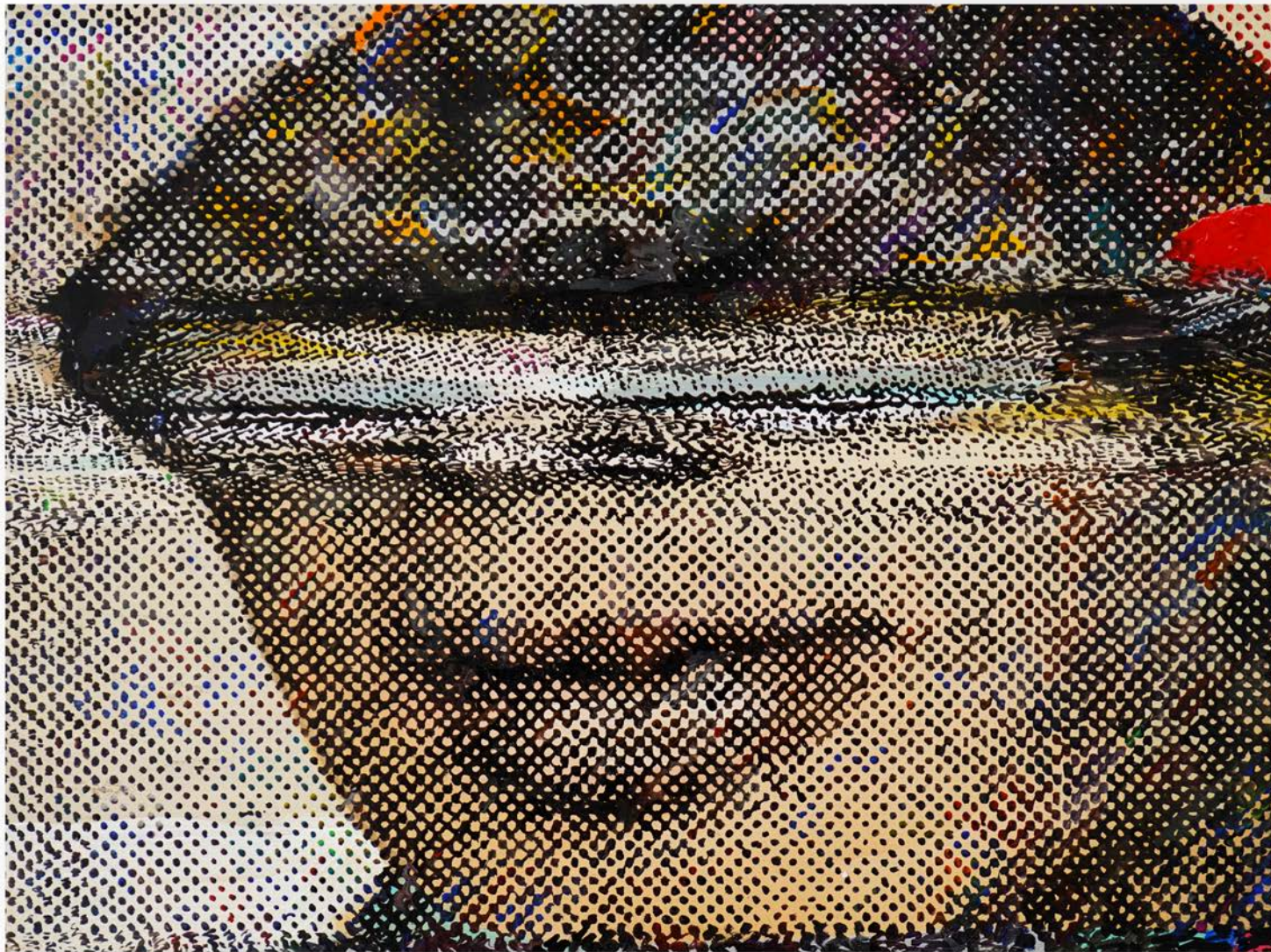
Paul Insect  
Purely Sensory, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on wood panel  
15.8 x 23.6 inches



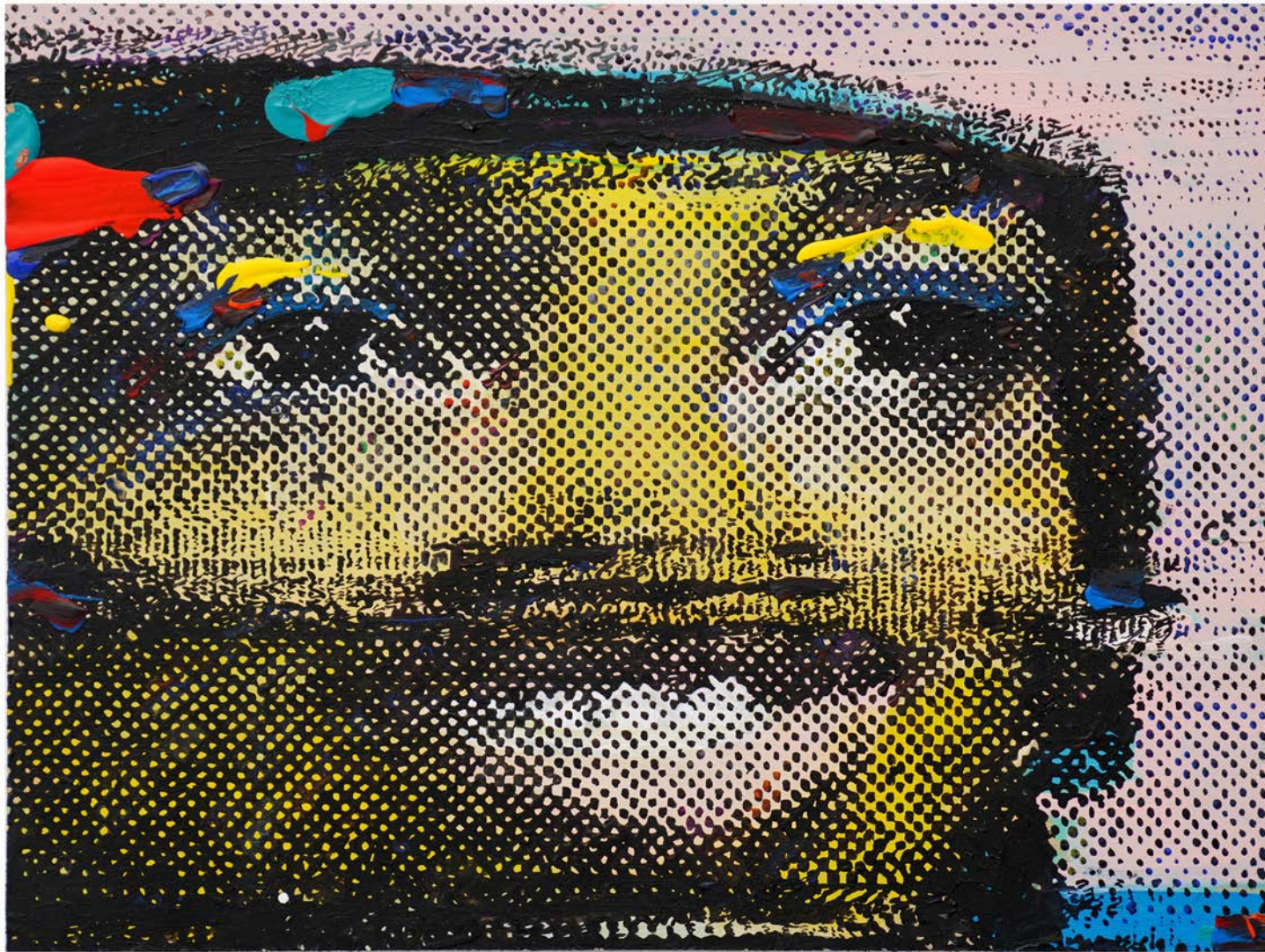
Paul Insect  
Jewelled Vision, 2023  
Acrylic and spandex on wood panel  
11.8 x 15.7 inches



Paul Insect  
Typical Force, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on wood panel  
11.8 x 15.7 inches



Paul Insect  
Lateral Faces, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on wood panel  
11.8 x 15.7 inches



Paul Insect  
Dreamed of Joy, 2023  
Acrylic and gesso on wood panel  
11.8 x 15.7 inches



Paul Insect  
Fragment N171121, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
25.2 x 12.6 inches



Paul Insect  
Fragment N170421, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
19.7 x 24.4 inches



Paul Insect  
Fragment N170321, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
18.1 x 16.5 inches





Paul Insect  
Fragment N170121, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
16.5 x 26 inches



Paul Insect  
Fragment N170721, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
16.5 x 24.4 inches



Paul Insect  
Fragment N171021, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
16.5 x 22.4 inches



Paul Insect  
Fragment N171221, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
16.5 x 20.9 inches



Paul Insect  
Fragment N170221, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
16.1 x 20.9 inches



Paul Insect  
Fragment N170821, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
15.7 x 19.7 inches



Paul Insect  
Fragment N170621, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
14.6 x 19.7 inches



Paul Insect  
Fragment N170921, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
12.6 x 21.3 inches





Paul Insect  
Fragment N170521, 2023  
Spray paint wall fragment and acrylic  
10.6 x 19.3 inches