BEN EVANS

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ALLOUCHE GALLERY, LOS ANGELES 2683 S LA CIENEGA BLVD

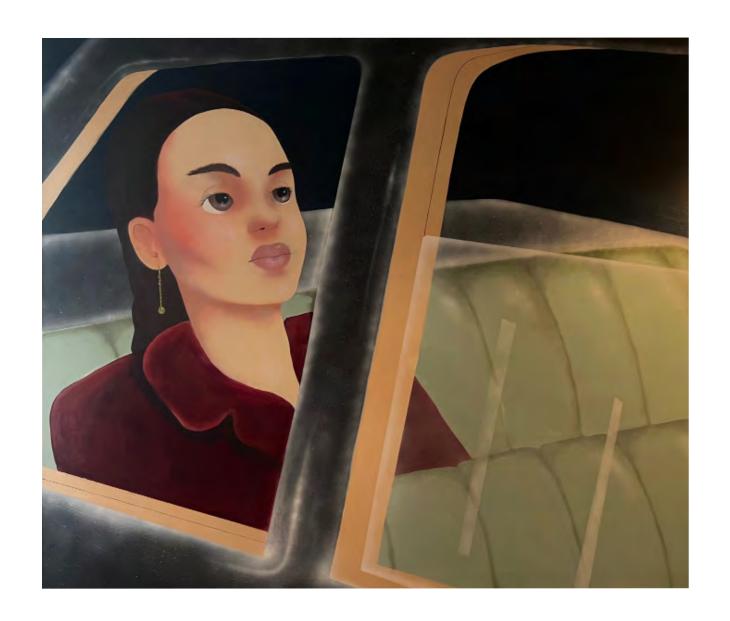
ALLOUCHE GALLERY

Allouche Gallery, Los Angeles presents "xanadu" a solo showing of works by Los Angeles-based artist, Ben Evans. In this new series of paintings and mixed media works, Evans creates a land of voluptuous, melodramatic subjects through his neo-noir, Los Angeles narratives. Drawing inspiration from his surroundings, Evans' paintings evoke longing and desire, with an ominous stillness among the vibrancy of California. Bringing into question glossy perfection and idealism, "xanadu" plays off themes of abundance, leisure and isolation.

Describing his works as "pensive and campy", Evans' main source of inspiration is derived from the everyday in his intimate encounters. Leisure meets romance as figures smoke cigarettes on tennis courts, stand dazed among palm trees, and bathe in crystal pools. Evans boils it down to "a realm of cartoon-sized imagery that exists between reality and fantasy". The drama, exaggeration and performance of old Hollywood is right at the surface in his fantastical paintings.

Born in Charlotte, North Carolina in 1995, Evans went on to study at the Pratt Institute in New York and has shown in various solo and group shows in New York, Los Angeles, Paris, Hong Kong, and Italy.

For all inquiries, please reach out to losangeles@allouchegallery.com.



Ben Evans backseat 12, 2023 Acrylic on canvas 68 x 80 inches



Ben Evans lightning bugs, 2023 Acrylic on canvas 68 x 56 inches



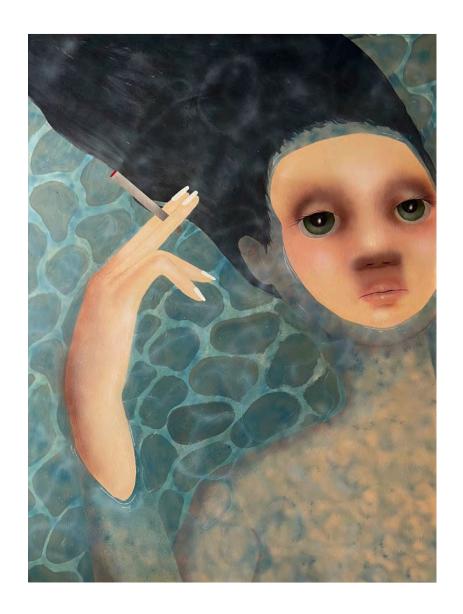
Ben Evans still, 2023 Acrylic on canvas 60 x 48 inches



Ben Evans tennis painting #71, 2023 Acrylic on canvas 60 x 48 inches



Ben Evans tennis painting #70, 2023 Acrylic on canvas 50 x 46 inches



Ben Evans poolside diaries, 2023 Acrylic on canvas 40 x 36 inches



Ben Evans three palms, 2023 Acrylic on canvas 40 x 36 inches





Ben Evans boy on table Acrylic and pencil on found table 24 x 24 x 24 inches



Ben Evans tennis ball ball, 2023 Colored pencil on stretched canvas 70 x 42 inches



Ben Evans fishtail, 2023 Acrylic on canvas 36 x 36 inches



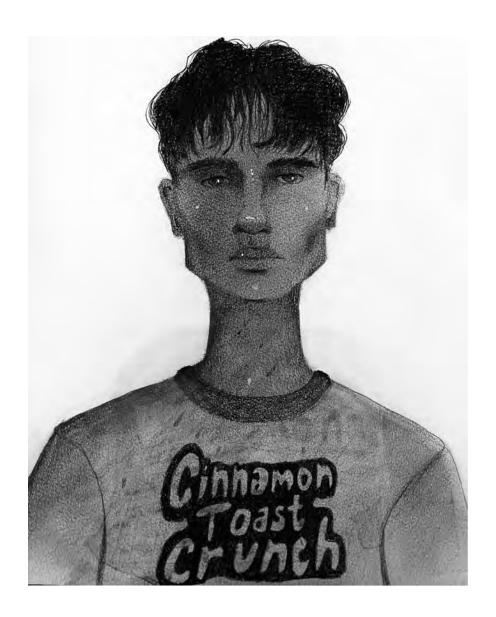
Ben Evans blue boy, 2023 Acrylic and pencil on found mirror 48 x 53 inches



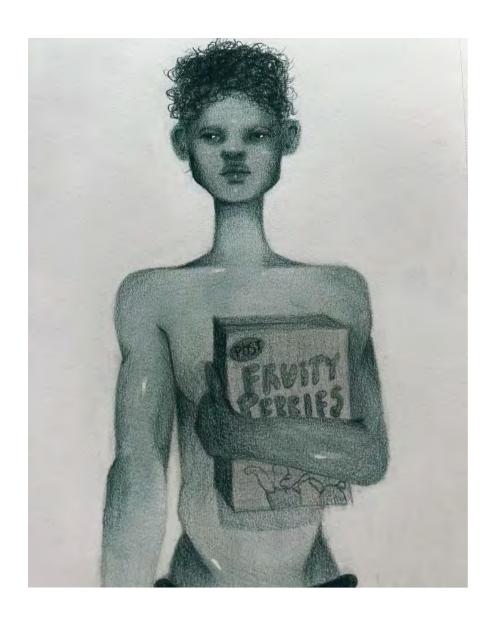
Ben Evans captain crunch, 2023 Pencil on paper 12 x 9 inches



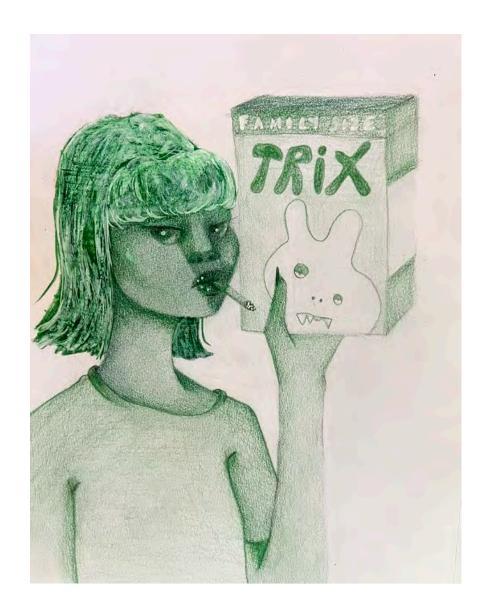
Ben Evans life cereal, 2023 Pencil on paper 12 x 9 inches



Ben Evans cinnamon toast crunch, 2023 Pencil on paper 12 x 9 inches



Ben Evans fruity pebbles, 2023 Pencil on paper 12 x 9 inches



Ben Evans trix, 2023 Pencil on paper 12 x 9 inches