



ARTZUEVA *Zueva*  
EKATERINA ZUEVA

SELECTED WORKS

# EVERY FACE HOLDS A UNIVERSE

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## ARTIST STATEMENT

**"Every face holds a universe. I paint to find it."**

I paint faces because a face never holds only one emotion. Strength can sit beside fear. Desire can be disciplined. Hope can rise from darkness. Through oil paint, color becomes a way to reveal what a person carries beneath the surface.

These works are not intended as likenesses. They are emotional landscapes - moments of pain, defense, innocence, confidence, and renewal held long enough to be seen.

# Ekaterina Zueva

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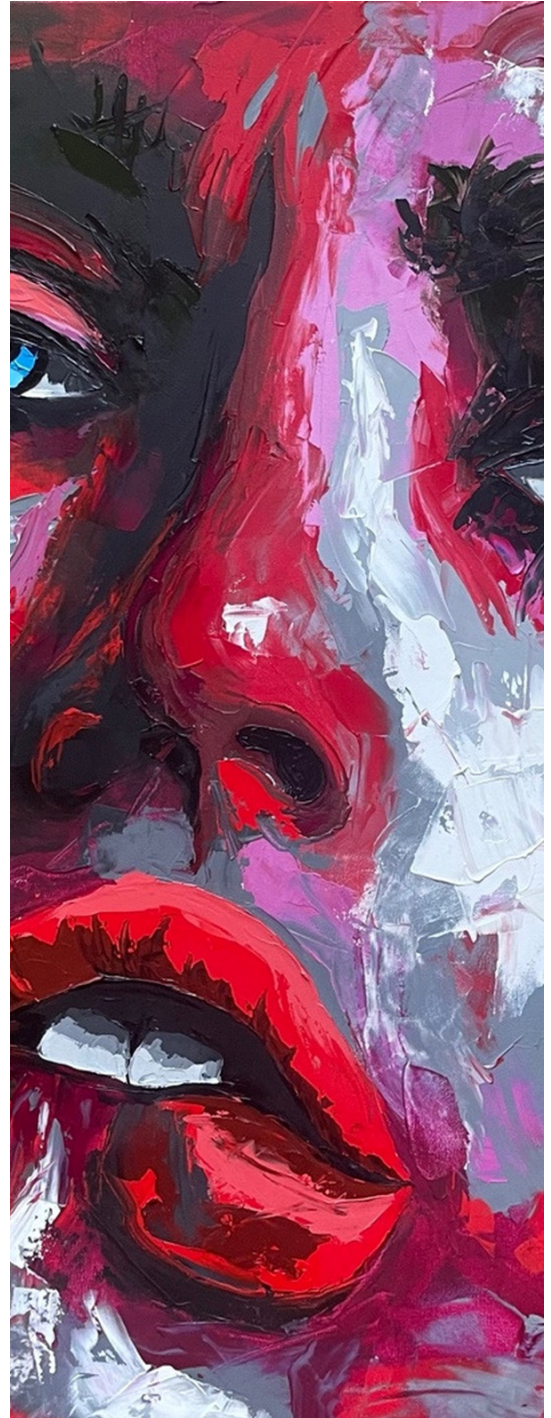
Ekaterina Zueva is a Russian-born oil painter and workshop founder based in Chicago. She grew up in Novosibirsk, where childhood art school and competitive basketball shaped the discipline that still anchors her studio practice.

After building a successful career in accounting, she chose a different life in 2018 and committed herself fully to painting. Her work explores emotion, identity, and the distance between what we show and what we carry.

Her expressive portraits use direct gazes, layered color, and visible brushwork to make private feeling public. Through original works, commissions, and ArtParty workshops, she invites collectors and first-time makers into the same belief: art begins with permission to begin.

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**"Where every brushstroke begins with believing in yourself."**



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All works in this catalog are original oil paintings on canvas. Dimensions are listed in inches. Availability and pricing may change; please confirm before purchase.

# Hurts

01



AVAILABLE

Oil on canvas | 36 x 36 in | Chicago, 2021

**\$1,900**

A face fractures into blue-gray planes, the mouth caught between resistance and release. Thick, restless marks hold pain at the surface while the direct gaze refuses disappearance. Hurts is less a portrait of defeat than the moment anguish becomes visible.

# Defense, Attack, Aggression



**SOLD**

Oil on canvas | 36 x 36 in | Chicago, 2021

**SOLD**

Red, violet, and electric blue collide across a face held in tension. The eyes remain cool and fixed, even as the surface seems to push outward. Behind the armor, the work suggests a quieter vulnerability - the human cost of always being ready to defend.

# Passion



AVAILABLE

Oil on canvas | 36 x 36 in | Chicago, 2021

**\$5,200**

Crimson, rose, and black gather around an unguarded gaze. The bitten lower lip and uneven light turn desire into something restrained rather than theatrical. Passion holds heat and control in the same frame.

# She Is Naive



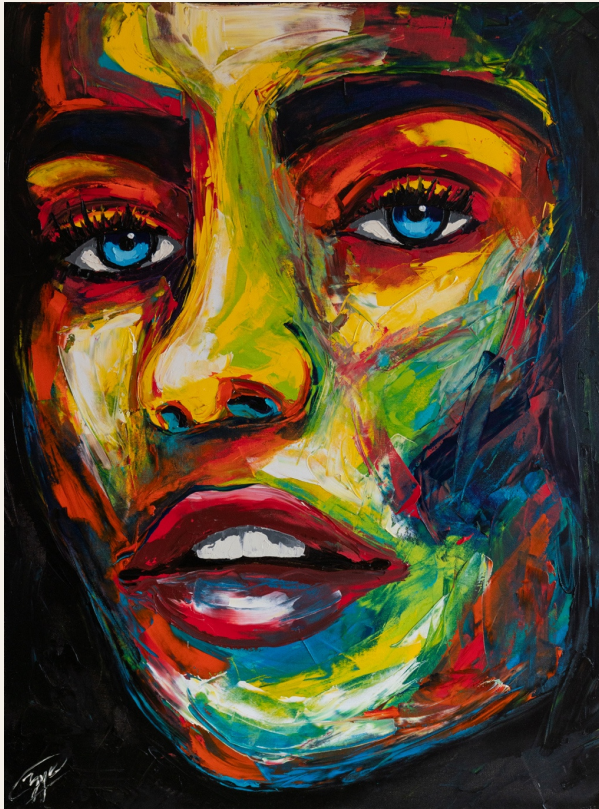
**SOLD**

Oil on canvas | 48 x 48 in | Chicago, 2021

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Wide amber eyes meet the viewer without calculation. Red, yellow, and turquoise move across the face with the immediacy of a first response, while the violet field behind it adds depth to the apparent innocence. The work asks whether openness is fragility - or courage.

# Meet Color



**AVAILABLE**

Oil on canvas | 30 x 40 in | Chicago, 2024

Color is not decoration here; it is the subject. Yellow, green, red, and blue converge around a searching gaze, each stroke shifting the emotional temperature. The face becomes a meeting place where feeling arrives before language.

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**COLLECTOR INFORMATION**

**\$1,800**

Availability and pricing are subject to confirmation.

# Spring



AVAILABLE

Oil on canvas | 36 x 36 in | Chicago, n.d.

**\$3,600**

Turquoise eyes and a cool surrounding field are interrupted by warm reds, oranges, and soft whites. The portrait carries the clarity of a new season - not effortless optimism, but renewal after stillness. Spring is a quiet promise that movement can begin again.

# The Captivating Gaze



AVAILABLE

Oil on canvas | 48 x 48 in | Chicago, 2023

**\$2,800**

A pair of turquoise eyes anchors a surface built from red, ochre, and shadow. The closer the viewer looks, the less fixed the face becomes. The Captivating Gaze turns attention into a reciprocal act: the painting watches back.

# Look at Me



AVAILABLE

Oil on canvas | 36 x 48 in | Chicago, 2021

**\$1,600**

Two figures share one charged field of yellow, coral, and pink. Their proximity feels intimate, but the title introduces urgency - a request, a challenge, perhaps a need to be recognized. The composition holds connection and distance at once.

# Hope



**AVAILABLE**

Oil on canvas | 30 x 40 in | Chicago, 2024

The figure looks upward through deep blue and purple, toward light that has not yet fully arrived. Red accents keep the portrait grounded in struggle. Hope does not deny darkness; it finds a direction within it.

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**COLLECTOR INFORMATION**

**\$4,800**

Availability and pricing are subject to confirmation.

# Confidence

AVAILABLE

Oil on canvas | 36 x 48 in | Chicago, 2024

Rainbow color moves across a steady blue-gray gaze. The brushwork is expansive, but the expression remains composed. Confidence is presented not as performance, but as the calm recognition of one's own strength.

COLLECTOR INFORMATION

**\$2,600**

Availability and pricing are subject to confirmation.



# Revenge



**AVAILABLE**

Oil on canvas | 36 x 48 in | Chicago, 2024

Cold blue, white, and violet sharpen the face into a mask of control. Beneath the beauty lies a darker transformation: anger condensed into intention. Revenge captures the instant when hurt hardens - and asks what is lost in the change.

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**COLLECTOR INFORMATION**

**\$2,400**

Availability and pricing are subject to confirmation.

# Atmosphere

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AVAILABLE

Oil on canvas | 48 x 48 in | Chicago, 2021

**\$6,200**

Orange, blue, pink, and green move like music across the face. The work remembers youth not as an age, but as a state: loud laughter, late conversations, risk, and the sense that the future remains open. Atmosphere is a portrait of life felt at full volume.

# Originals & Commissions

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## A COMMISSION IS A CONVERSATION

A commissioned portrait begins with a person, a memory, and the feeling you want the work to hold. The process is collaborative, personal, and designed to create something that belongs only to you.

### 01 REFERENCE

Share three or four clear photographs. Natural light and unguarded expressions create the strongest starting point.

### 02 SCALE

Choose a size for the space and the experience you want - intimate at 16 x 20 inches, or architectural at 30 x 40 and above.

### 03 PROCESS

After the reference and deposit are confirmed, allow approximately four to eight weeks. Progress images are shared at key stages.

### 04 DELIVERY

The finished work arrives ready to hang, with care instructions and a certificate of authenticity.

BEGIN A CONVERSATION

[artzueva.com](http://artzueva.com)



# From Viewer to Maker

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**"You do not need to be an artist to make art. You need to decide to begin."**

ArtParty is Ekaterina's signature guided painting experience. Participants create an oil portrait in a single session - no prior training, materials, or perfect straight lines required.

## WALK IN

Everything is prepared: canvas, paint, tools, and step-by-step guidance.

## KEEP GOING

The uncertain first strokes become a face, then a painting, then proof that you can.

## TAKE IT HOME

Leave with an original work and a new relationship with your own creativity.

PRIVATE EVENTS / CORPORATE OFFSITES / PUBLIC WORKSHOPS

**Discover the artist within.**



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09	Hope	2024	30 x 40 in	Available	\$4,800
10	Confidence	2024	36 x 48 in	Available	\$2,600
11	Revenge	2024	36 x 48 in	Available	\$2,400
12	Atmosphere	2021	48 x 48 in	Available	\$6,200

Collector note. Availability and pricing are subject to confirmation. Shipping, framing, installation, and applicable taxes are quoted separately. Sold works remain included to represent the full exhibition narrative.

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ART THAT SPEAKS BEYOND WORDS.

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Original paintings / Commissions / ArtParty workshops

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