



DISTORTION

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LAURA BOCHET: SOMESTHESIA

BEACON, NY — Distortion Society is pleased to present the solo exhibition *Somesthesia* with new paintings by Laura Bochet. Centering around bodily reactions and memory, these works consider the relationship between connection and communication and how the feeling of closeness translates into memory. Flashes of eye contact and clouds of color swirl around you, distant faces appear and just as quickly, disappear. Here, you are both the observer and the observed, immersed in a silent conversation that recollects your own feelings of closeness, longing and nostalgia. There will be an opening reception on October 14, 2023 from 7pm-9:30pm and the show will run through December 2, 2023.

A Hudson Valley based painter and tattoo artist, Laura Bochet has devoted her life to creating art and using it as a means of connection and healing. Her work primarily focuses on obscured feminine portraiture, immersing her figures and the viewer in dream-like worlds. The undercurrent of abstraction and integration of nature present in these painted dream worlds is also evident in her non-traditional tattoo work, which she creates through a mix of varying line weights, color and organic shapes.



Distortion Society was founded in 2023 by husband-and-wife Bradley Silver (a tattoo artist) and Michelle Silver (a painter). A non-traditional art space, Distortion Society merges a tattoo studio and art gallery, blurring the lines between body art and fine art. They are a multidisciplinary art space dedicated to exploring the unique, fostering community and being a place to get a little weird!

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Top: Laura Bochet cool warmth, 2023. Oil on canvas. 24 x 18 inches.

Bottom: Laura Bochet mango sunrise, 2023. Oil on canvas. 20 \times 16 inches.



