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Shawanda Corbett: Neighbourhood Garden

16 June - 31 July 2020

Tommaso Corvi-Mora is proud to present "Neighbourhood Garden", Shawanda Corbett's first exhibition at the gallery. The works in the exhibition find their origins in a reflection on the artist's experiences growing up, her memories of childhood and an appreciation of her community.

The ceramics explore common tropes from "the Hood": characters that are often invisible or reduced to stereotypes. The desire is to give them a dignity and humanity that they seldom have in mainstream perceptions. The ceramics are in pairs: one suggesting the personality, the other the appearance of each character. The decoration on the body of the ceramics was painted to different jazz musicians' music, in an intuitive and improvisational way: the patterns and shapes are the documentation of a dance performed by the artist around the ceramics. Luster and gold are employed to emphasize the worth and status of certain characters in the artist's eyes.

The works on paper describe different episodes from childhood or youth: memories and experiences that are often shared, made even more precious by their universality.

Shawanda Corbett's interdisciplinary practice addresses the question of what is a complete body, looking at the different cycles of a human's life through cyborg theory. She uses her perspective as a woman of colour with a disability to root theory into reality. Corbett's performances are developed in response to the architecture of the exhibition space. Collaborating with choreographer Albert Corbett, she sets up a live inner dialogue with her surroundings. Corbett's performances incorporate her ceramics practice; the human body, architecture, and dance leave their traces on her ceramic vessels and surfaces.

Corbett is pursuing a doctoral degree in Fine Art at the Ruskin School of Art and Wadham College, University of Oxford.

The gallery is open Tuesday to Saturday, 11 am to 6 pm.

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Neighbourhood Crackhead

Glazed stoneware 51 x 22 cm, 20 x 8 inches SCo20-1



Shawanda Corbett Neighbourhood Crackhead 2020 Glazed stoneware 57.8 x 19 cm, 22 x 7 inches SCo20-2



Candy Lady 2020 Glazed stoneware 64 x 22 cm, 25 x 8 inches SCo20-3



Candy Lady 2020 Glazed stoneware 60 x 20 cm, 23 x 7 inches SCo20-4



Ole girl from down the street 2020 Glazed stoneware 60 x 23 cm, 23 x 9 inches SCo20-5



Ole girl from down the street 2020 Glazed stoneware 64 x 20.5 cm, 25 x 8 inches SCo20-6



Graveyard shift 2020 Glazed stoneware 37 x 22 cm, 14 x 8 inches SCo20-7



Graveyard shift 2020 Glazed stoneware 61 x 22 cm, 24 x 8 x inches SCo20-8



I'll tell you what 2020 Glazed stoneware 42 x 22 cm, 16 x 8 inches SCo20-9



I'll tell you what 2020 Glazed stoneware 62 x 23 cm, 24 x 9 inches SCo20-10

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Shawanda Corbett

Old men sitting outside 2020 Glazed stoneware 78.5 x 25 cm, 30 x 9 inches SCo20-11



Old men sitting outside 2020 Glazed stoneware 78 x 23 cm, 78 x 9 inches SCo20-12



You didn't hear that from me 2020 Glazed stoneware 58 x 22 cm, 58 x 8 inches SCo20-13

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You didn't hear that from me 2020 Glazed stoneware 76.5 x 30 cm, 30 x 11 inches

SCo20-14



Basketball boys 2020 Glazed stoneware 65.5 x 26 cm, 25 x 10 inches SCo20-15



You don't know me 2020 Glazed stoneware 55 x 22 cm, 21 x 8 inches SCo20-16



Knee high to a grasshopper 2020 Glazed stoneware 80 x 25 cm, 31 x 9 inches SCo20-17



Knee high to a grasshopper 2020 Glazed stoneware 78 x 23 cm, 30 x 9 inches SCo20-18



Neighbourhood kid on a bicycle 2020 Glazed stoneware 78.5 x 25 cm, 31 x 9 inches SCo20-19



Dominos 2020 Glazed stoneware 51.5 x 19 cm, 20 x 7 inches SCo20-20



Dominos 2020 Glazed stoneware 66 x 20 cm, 26 x 7 inches SCo20-21



Hand me that monkey wrench over there 2020 Glazed stoneware 61.5 x 19 cm, 24 x 7 inches SCo20-22



Hand me that monkey wrench over there 2020 Glazed stoneware 56 x 18 cm, 22 x 7 inches SCo20-23



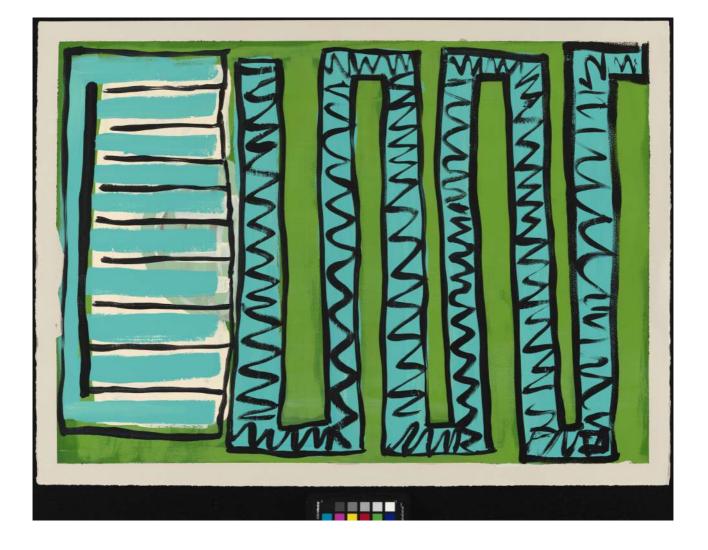
Hey, it's all about you 2020 Glazed stoneware 59 x 23 cm, 22 x 9 inches SCo20-24



Hey, it's all about you 2020 Glazed stoneware 57 x 18 cm, 22 x 7 inches SCo20-25



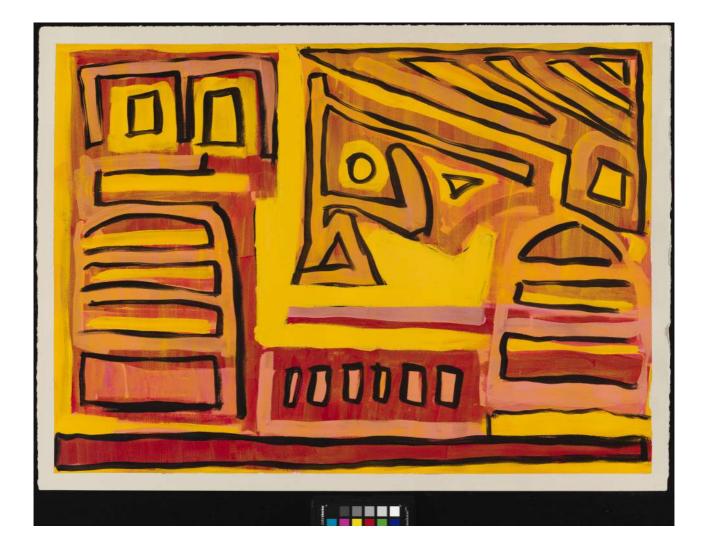
Stop light 2020 Glazed stoneware 61 x 22 cm, 24 x 8 inches SCo20-26



Get up and cut the grass 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5 cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-27



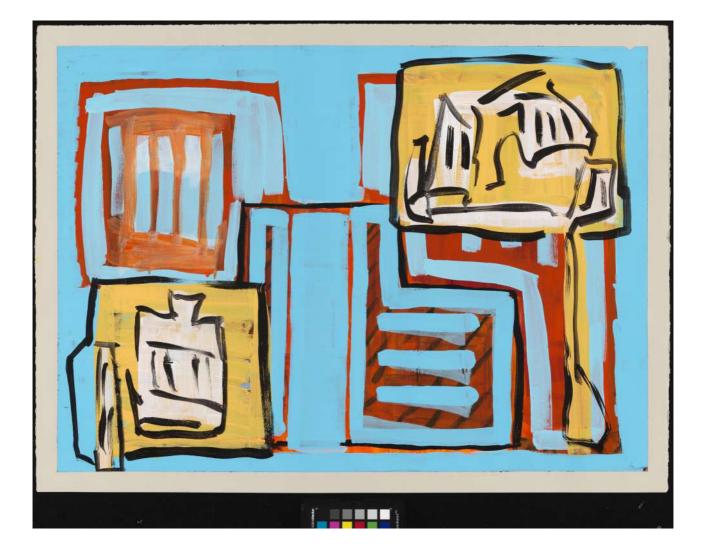
Knee-high to a grasshopper 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5 cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-28



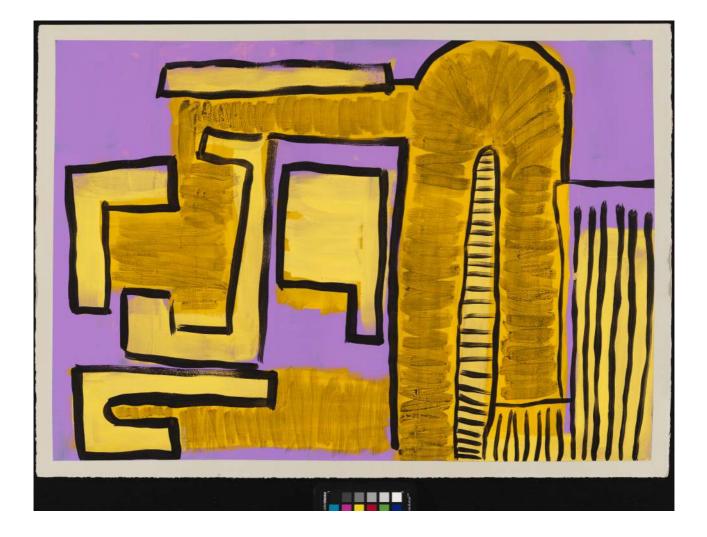
Brick house 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5 cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-29



Trip to the ER 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-30



Blue and red lights across the street at night 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-31



Rollerblading 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-32



Shawanda Corbett *Race you to the end of the street* 2020

Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-33



Playing outside in school clothes 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-34



Swing set 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-35



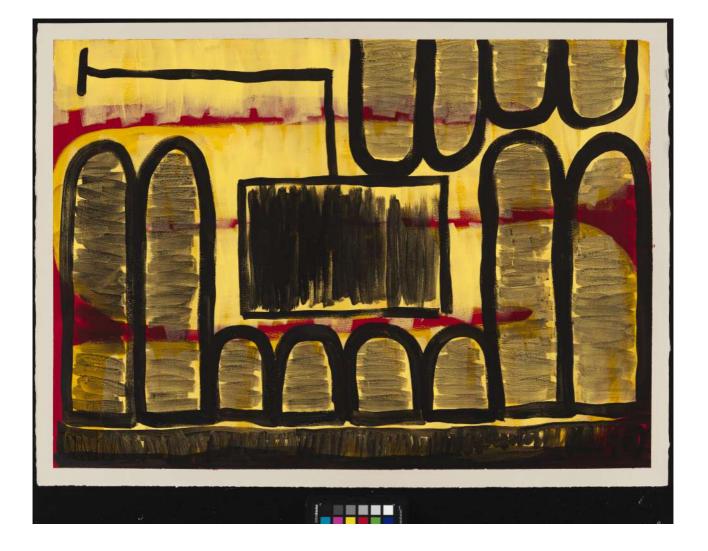
Let's play hide-n-seek 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-36



Chair with plastic cover 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-37



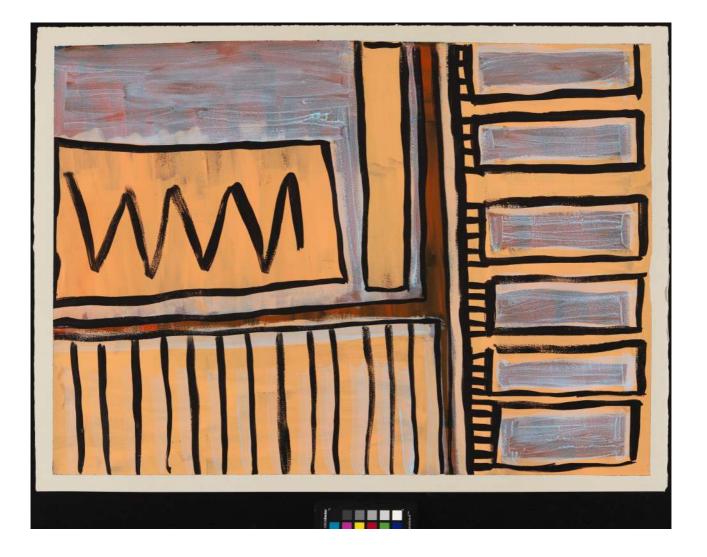
Did my check come in the mail? 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-38



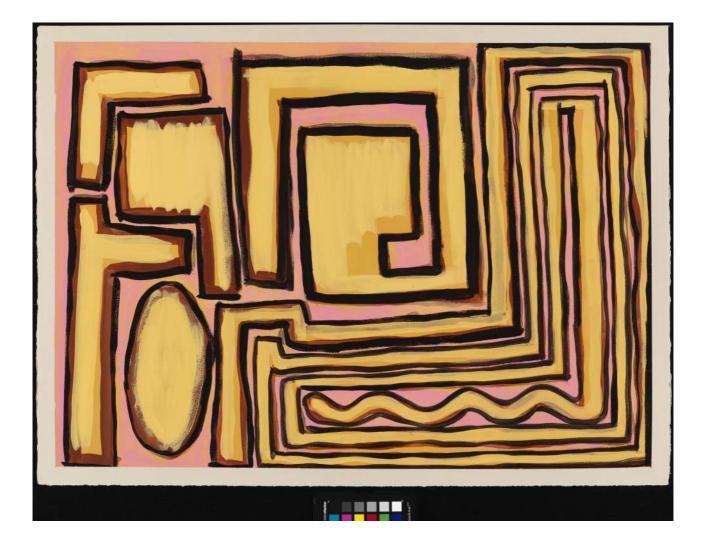
Say cheese 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-39



Morning traffic light 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-40



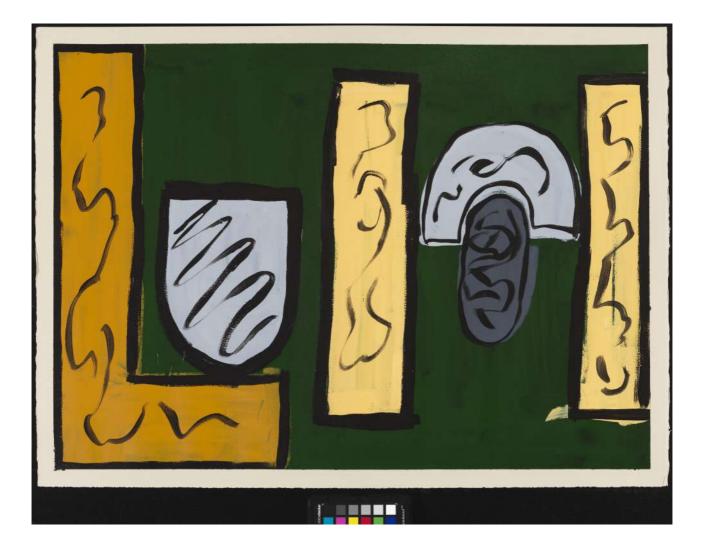
Traffic cones 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-41



My number is up 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-42



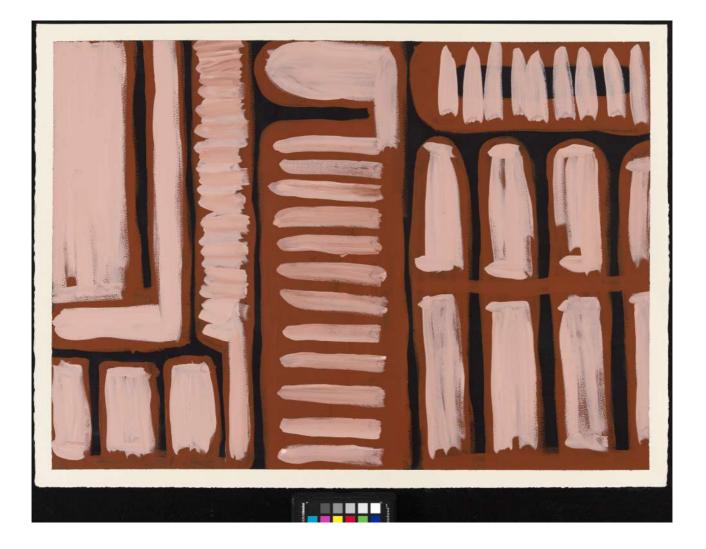
The upper room 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-43



You look just like your daddy 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-44



Shawanda Corbett Before the street lights turn on 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-45



Racing home 2020 Acrylic on paper 56 x 76.5cm, 22 x 30 inches SCo20-46