

MONYA ROWE GALLERY

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POLINA BARSKAYA

Still

October 14 – November 12, 2021

Opening reception: Thursday, October 14, 6-8 PM

Monya Rowe Gallery is excited to announce a solo exhibition of new paintings by **Polina Barskaya** titled *Still*.

Time has passed very quickly these last 19 months. A daughter entered my world and my paintings. Every routine, ritual, schedule has been rearranged. Of course, my paintings have changed as well. At the same time the mood of the world has shifted. Life has never been more isolating. We left our Brooklyn apartment to live in the country sides of Croatia and Italy. We watched our baby grow and I slowly made paintings. The pace of painting this way gave me more time to reflect. The routine of bathing and feeding, and simply going on with life, are present. Spending more time at home meant life seemed stiller, and quieter. These paintings come from a place of new feelings, new fears, new anxieties, and new ways of seeing.

- Polina Barskaya, Italy, 2021

Polina Barskaya (b. 1984, Cherkassy, USSR) received a MFA from *Pratt Institute*, Brooklyn, NY and a BA from *Hunter College*, NY. Barskaya received an Artist Fellowship in Painting from *New York Foundation of the Arts (NYFA)* in 2021, and an *Elizabeth Greenshields Foundation Grant* in 2020. Recent exhibitions include *Taymour Grahne Projects*, London; *Althuis Hofland Fine Arts*, Amsterdam; *Marianne Boesky Gallery*, NY; and *Monya Rowe Gallery*, NY. Her work has been featured in *Artforum*, *New York Magazine*, *Artnet* and *Hyperallergic*, among others. The artist lives and works in Brighton Beach, Brooklyn, NY.

Gallery hours

Tuesday – Saturday, 12 – 6 PM

Upcoming

ANASTASIYA TARASENKO

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