



LOVE AND OTHER CATASTROPHES | FRANCK GOHIER

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Love and Other Catastrophes

My lens on the world has been shaped by time and experiences. I confront the complexities of the human condition by appropriating culturally loaded vintage comics from the 1950s -1970s in order to peel back the layers of nostalgia and examine whether the issues that plagued society then still persist today.

In my recent series, "Love and Other Catastrophes," I delve into the cliché narratives of romance prevalent in the comics of yesteryears. By bringing them into the contemporary context, I provoke reflection on whether society has truly progressed or merely shifted its facade.

Through the optics of realism rather than idealism, I dissect the cultural norms and stereotypes embedded in these vintage images. Each painting serves as a mirror to our collective past, inviting viewers to question how much has truly changed in our attitudes towards culture, romance, conflict, and gender dynamics.

I aim to acknowledge the persistent struggles that define the human experience across generations.

Franck Gohier, 2024

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A Message from the Id
2023
80 x 60cm
acrylic on board





Another Day at the Office

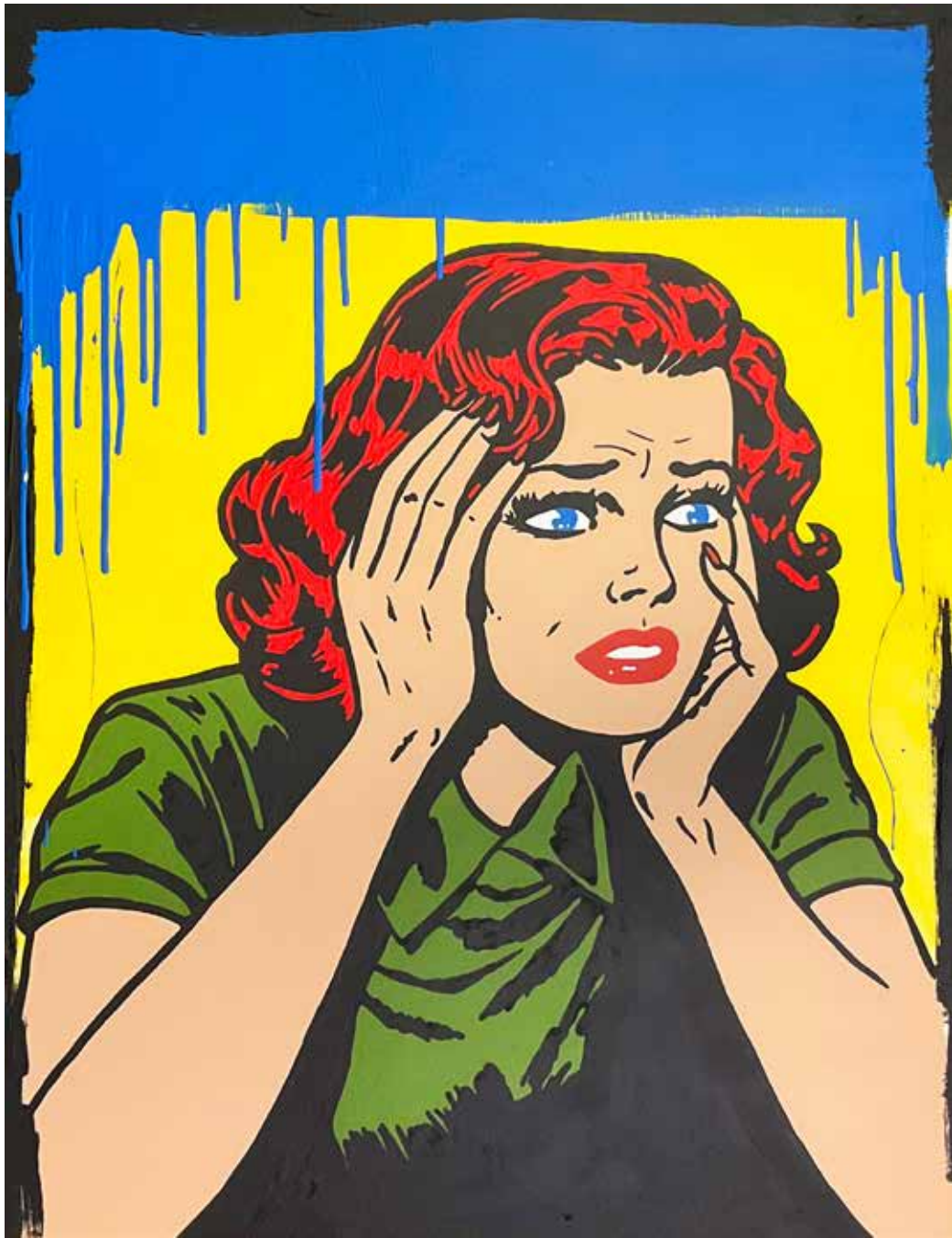
2023

80 x 60cm

acrylic on board



April, May and June
2023
80 x 60cm
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Ukraine
2023
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Washing Machine
2023
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acrylic on board



20% Off All Underwear

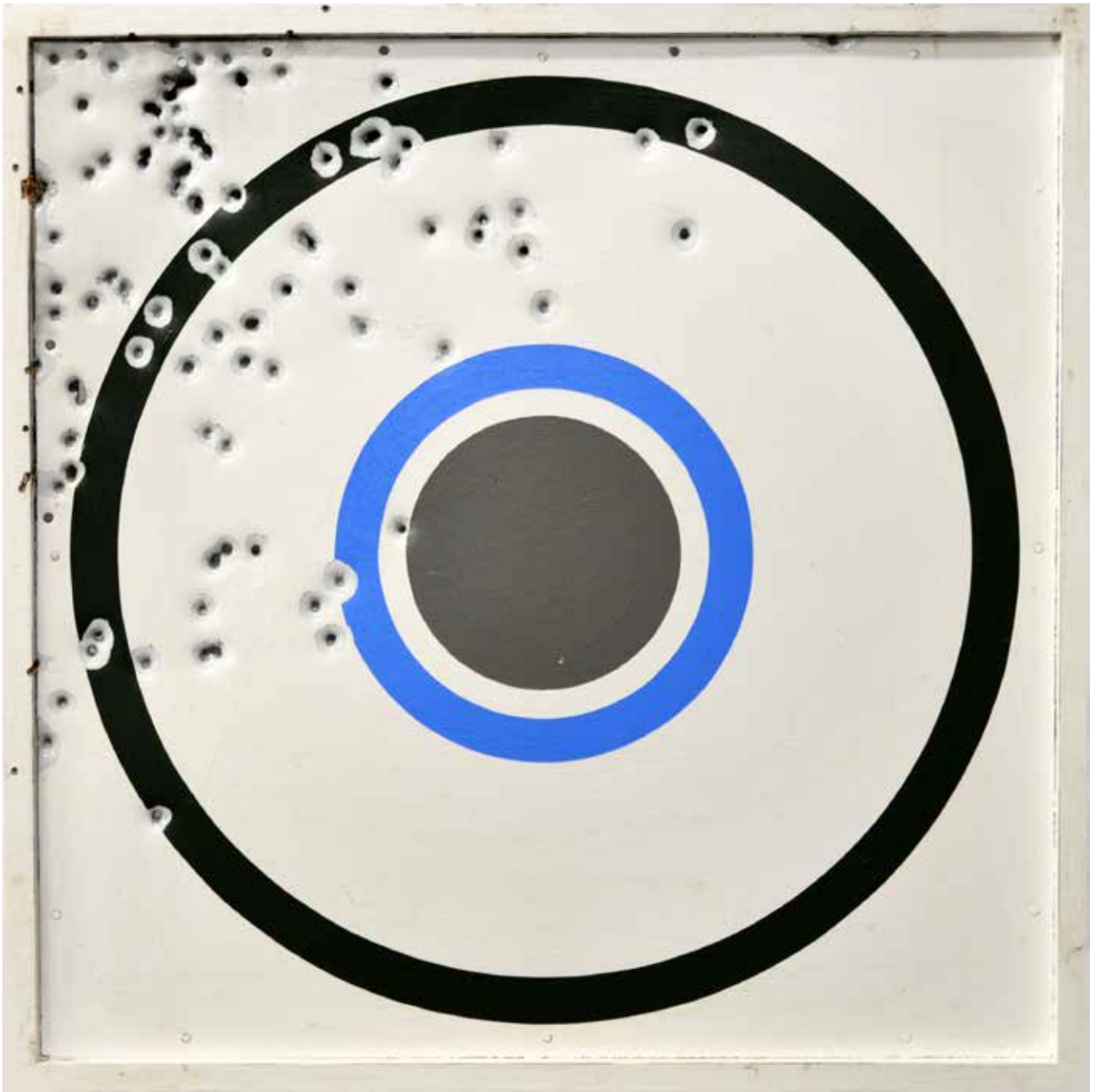
2009

60 x 60cm

acrylic on shotgun blasted BHP signwriters tin



Jasper Johns
2009
60 x 60cm
acrylic on shotgun blasted BHP signwriters tin



Kenneth Noland

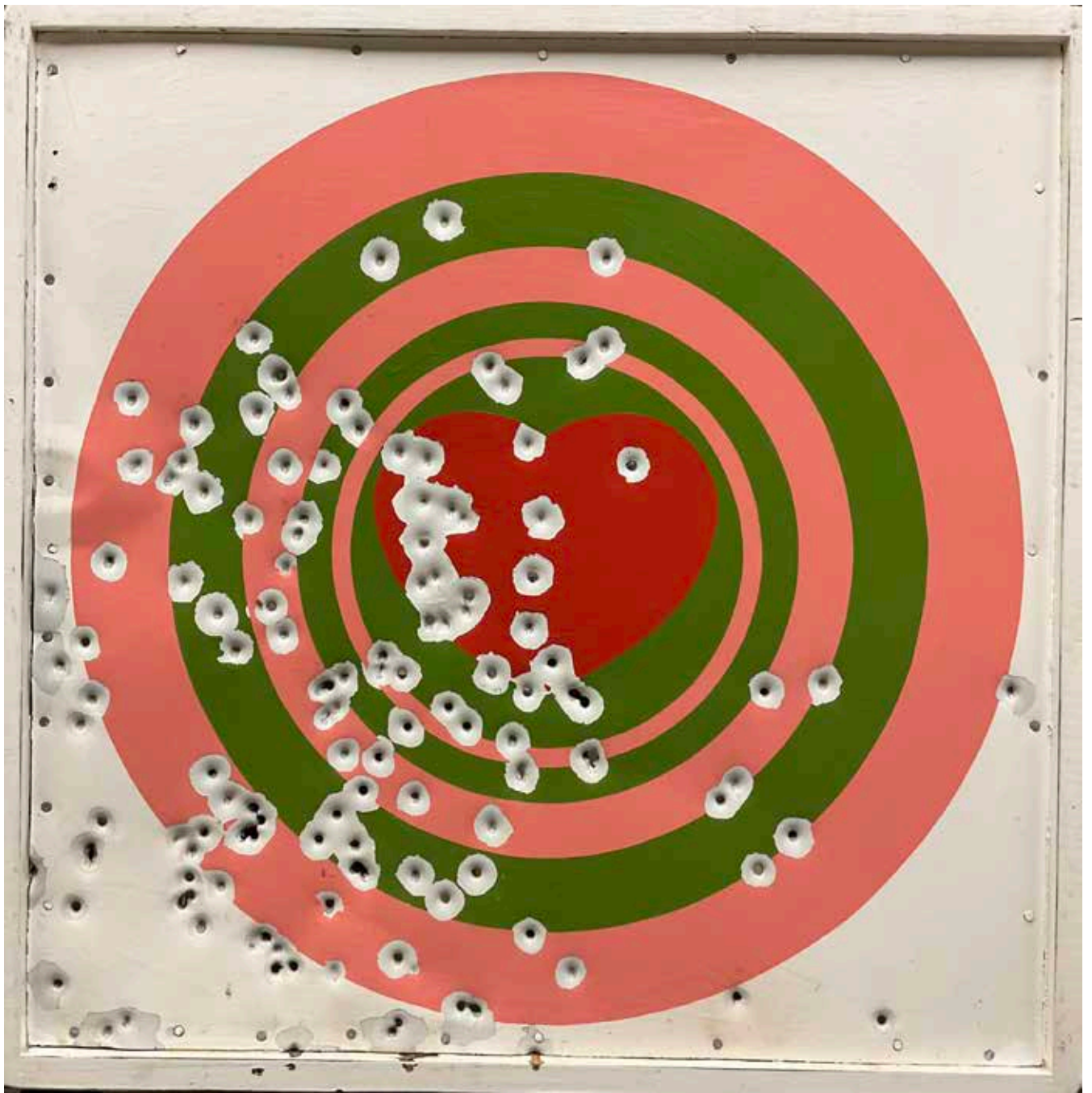
2009

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Oi, Oi, Oi
2009
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Pauline Boty

2009

60 x 60cm

acrylic on shotgun blasted BHP signwriters tin



The Jam
2009
60 x 60cm
acrylic on shotgun blasted BHP signwriters tin



The Ice Queen
2006
120 x 120cm
acrylic on board



Animale
2010
120 x 80cm
acrylic on board



Forever For Now

2006

120 x 64cm

16 acrylic, mixed media and found objects on board



Wolf
2006
120 x 60cm
acrylic, mixed media and found objects on board



In the Jungle

2024

90 x 80cm

mixed media on canvas



You Saved My Life
2024
90 x 80cm
mixed media on canvas



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