# Sun Seekers **ANNIE SMITS SANDANO**





**Sun Seekers** is my second survey solo exhibition at Turua Gallery. My intention is to present a new series of paintings which present new lines of visual investigation and an evolution in my practice since my last show. Works can be enjoyed on their own individually but the experience of being in the gallery immersed in the artworks is also intended to be a part of this show – being in space filled with colour light and movement heightening the sensation.

The series of works is intended to collectively reflect the feeling of a New Zealand summer. Hoop pieces are named after favourite Coromandel beaches, blanket paintings reference the classic wool blankets made in the 50's – 80's in wool mills throughout the country used in batches and cribs all over the country and the palette is bold and vibrant. Light is reflected off the gold and silver leaf detail found in many of the works like sunshine and there is a sense of joy and lightness to the works.

The New Zealand native bird series stems from a commission from a client who requested a large painting which combined my abstract form-based explored in my wood cut prints. This opened up a new approach to making paintings which were rooted in figurative elements of New Zelaland iconography culture.

Within this new series the iconic Tui has been chosen as the main focal point for the exploration of colour, composition and movement within the formal development of this series of paintings. This native New Zealand bird is also so deeply rooted in the collective consciousness - from it's song to it's silhouette and the distinctive feather throat plume.



Running Free
Acrylic & mixed media with
metal leaf on custom hoop.
700mm
\$1480



New Chums
Acrylic & mixed media with
metal leaf on custom hoop.
700mm
\$1480



Rata
Acrylic & mixed media with metal leaf on custom hoop. 700mm \$1480



Exuberance
Acrylic & mixed media
with metal leaf on
custom hoop.
500mm
\$990



Paku Acrylic & mixed media with metal leaf on custom hoop. 500mm \$990



Matarangi
Acrylic & mixed
media with metal
leaf on custom hoop.
500mm
\$990



Whangapoua

Acrylic & mixed media with metal leaf on custom hoop. 300mm

\$650



### **Pounamu**

Acrylic & mixed media with metal leaf on custom hoop. 300mm

\$650



### **Purangi**

Acrylic & mixed media with metal leaf on custom hoop. 300mm

\$650



### Tairua

Acrylic & mixed media with metal leaf on custom hoop. 300mm

\$650



### **Golden Hour**

Acrylic & mixed media with metal leaf on custom hoop. 300mm

\$650



### Rangitoto Dawn

Acrylic & mixed media on board with gold leaf detail.

\$3900



### **Flock**

Acrylic & mixed media on board with gold leaf detail.

\$3900 \*May not be available on opening night due to logistical difficulties



### Lavender Haze

Acrylic & mixed media on board with gold leaf detail. 800mm

\$2300



### Blue Sky Tui

Acrylic & mixed media on board with gold leaf detail. 800mm

\$2300



### Sun Seeker

Acrylic & mixed media on board with gold leaf detail. 800mm

\$2300



### Waterfall

Acrylic & mixed media on board with gold leaf detail. 800mm

\$2300



### Revellers

Acrylic & mixed media on board with gold leaf detail. 800mm

\$2300

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# Tui and Pohutukawa Still Life

Acrylic & mixed media on board. 800mm x 1200mm \$4400

# Tui and Wildflower Still Life

Acrylic & mixed mediaon board. 800mm x 1200mm \$4400





# Summer Daydream

Acrylic & mixed media on board with gold leaf detail. 600mm

\$1900

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Songbird 1
Acrylic & gold leaf on board in custom frame. 550mm x 550mm



Songbird 2
Acrylic & gold leaf on board in custom frame. 550mm x 550mm
\$2100



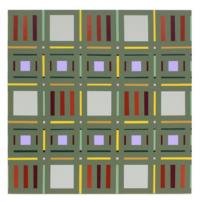
Songbird 3
Acrylic & gold leaf on board in custom frame. 550mm x 550mm
\$2100



Songbird 4
Acrylic & gold leaf on board in custom frame. 550mm x 550mm
\$2100



Onehunga Princess
Wool Blanket Painting
Acrylic on board.
800mm x 800mm
\$2600



Clarence Mill Wool Blanket Painting Acrylic on board.

800mm x 800mm \$2600

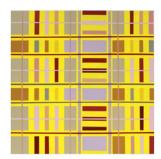
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Songbird 5
Acrylic & gold leaf on board in custom frame. 550mm x 550mm \$2100



Kaipoi Mill Wool Blanket Painting (pink) Acrylic on board. 600mm x 600mm



Kaipoi Mill Wool Blanket Painting (yellow) Acrylic on board. 600mm x 600mm



Kaipoi Mill Wool Blanket Painting (blue) Acrylic on board. 600mm x 600mm

\$2300



Colour Knot 5
Acrylic on board.
200mm x 200mm
\$650



\$2300

Colour Knot 6
Acrylic on board.
200mm x 200mm
\$650



\$2300

Colour Knot 7
Acrylic on board.
200mm x 200mm
\$650



Colour Knot 8
Acrylic on board.
200mm x 200mm
\$650



Colour Knot 9
Acrylic on board.
200mm x 200mm
\$650



Colour Knot 10 Acrylic on board. 200mm x 200mm \$650