



Cape
Town
Stories
by
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My inspiration, as an artist is from a variety of truly, original local heroes that tell exciting visual stories of contrast and contradiction found in the environment around me.

Cape Town is known for it's bright colour and even brighter characters.

Black & white are the colours I choose as they have given this land its unique diverse history. Storytelling is a predominant thread throughout my contemporary graphic work.

This series of pencil on paper drawings is titled – Cape Town Stories. These highly detailed and complex graphic works are of a sensitive nature. Juxtaposed, closely observed scenes of life in Cape Town. These works are controversial and provocative, often poignant, a little intriguing and quite emotive. Each drawing tells it's own tale.

Born 1960 in Frankfurt, Germany I am living and working in Cape Town since 2013

Education:

Certificate of Visual Communication, HfG University of Art and Design

Offenbach, Germany – Lithograph apprenticeship, Kaiserslautern, Germany –

A-level Charterhouse-School, Godalming Surrey, England – Secondary School

Certificate, Georg Kerschensteiner School Obertshausen, Germany

Work experience Advertising:

Prior to my being a graphic fine artist I was in the advertising world. I starting off as a Junior Art Director and was soon promoted to Executive Creative Director for numerous renowned international advertising agencies such as Leo Burnett, Publicis, Grey and FCB. It was here that my natural flair for conceptual branding, design, craftsmanship and my distinct passion for storytelling was developed. My formative years were spent in this industry of those widely networked Advertising agencies from Germany, London, Ukraine, Dubai and Cape Town.

Awards:

Here is a list of advertising awards behind my name, I was shortlisted for awards at Cannes, have been awarded both a Effie Award and Red Apple Grand Prix, Gold awards at Golden Drum, ADC*UA, Idea Awards at Kiev Festival, Silver awards at Golden Hammer and New York Festival, awarded Bronze at the Epica Awards and the Art Directors Club in Germany.



Fine Art Exhibitions:

April 2021,
Group Exhibition,
Gallery One 11 Loop Street
Cape Town.

July-August 2020
solo Exhibition,
Gallery One 11 Loop Street Cape Town.

Dec-Jan 2020 Group Exhibition,
ManzArt, Franshoek

Januar 2019 solo Exhibition,
Craft and Graft, Gardens Cape Town.

Feb 2018 Group Exhibition, Art It Is Gallery
Woodstock, Cape Town.

May 2017 Group Exhibition Identity Art It Is Gallery,
Woodstock, Cape Town

April 2016 OMC Gallery in Los Angeles, USA

December 2015 Group Exhibition Rossouw Modern Art
Gallery Hermanus, South Africa



Original Pencil Drawing 63 x 90cm

Original Pencil Drawing 103 x 153cm

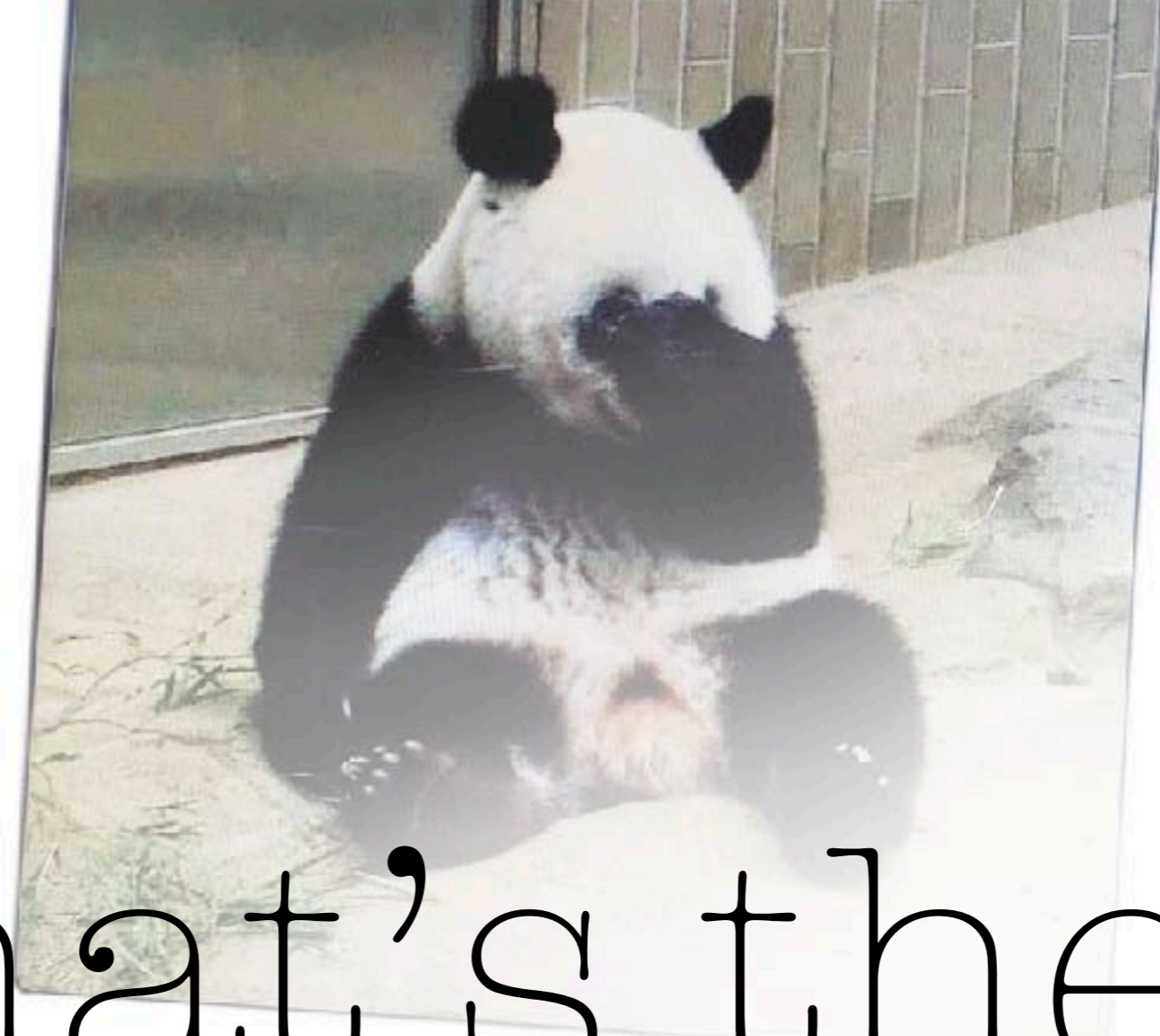


Print 103 x 153cm

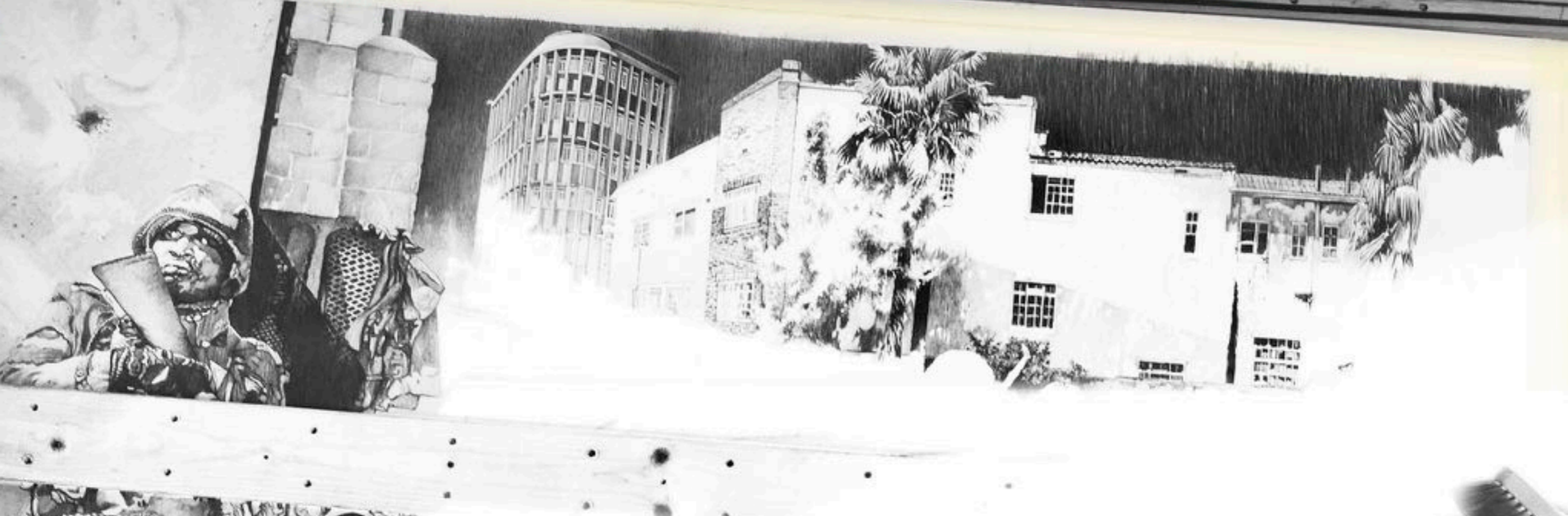


Print 111 x 77cm





What's the
Panda got to
do with it?



We am living in a crazy world.

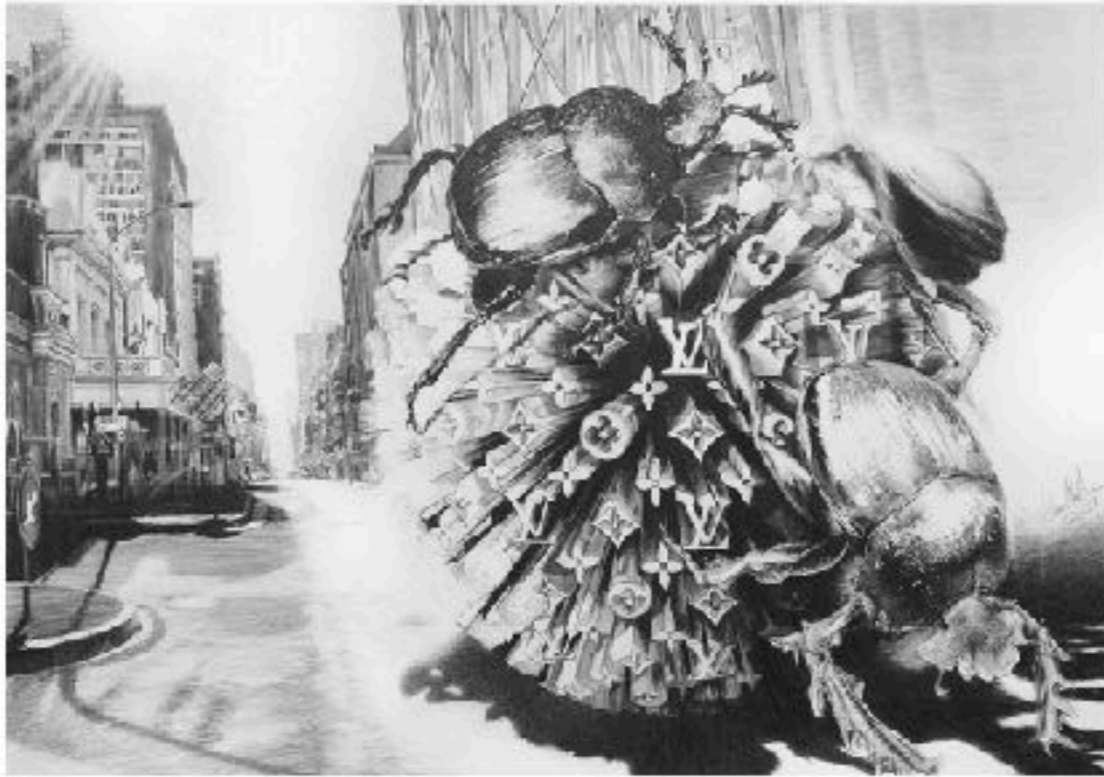
There is to much going on. Gangster, violence, corruption, waterbombing, homeless, division, hunger, mugging, poverty, killing, rape, wast, intervention, hate, crimes, racism, pollution, Corona, addiction, disparity, grossing, fires, crashes, locust?

To much trouble to deal with but guess what we rather look the other way. We like the cude panda videos aren't they sweet? We follow, twitter, share, invite, blog, add, unfriend, repost...





The Happy Panda, Pencil Drawing 103x153cm



Dungball Wizard, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



The Coronauts, Pencil Drawing 103x153cm



Into the Wild, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Nguni Head Gun Man, Pencil Drawing 103x153cm



Boys with Toys Pencil Drawing 103x153cm.



Long Street Fight Club, Pencil Drawing 103x153cm



Porsche RSR Outlaw, Pencil Drawing 103x153cm.



975 BMW R90/6 Custom Pencil Drawing 103x153cm



Hunting Ground, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Table Mountain Table Cloth, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm



Nguni Head Boy, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Nguni Head Man, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Wild Dogs, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Vesparados, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Cobra Drive, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Swimming with Sharks, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Dog Seal, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Lion Skull, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Slave Girls, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Lion Riding, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



Bay Watch Babe, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



King Fisher, Pencil Drawing 63x90cm.



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Or see my work displayed at our Boutique B&B Himmelblau in 35 Breda Street, Oranjezicht, Cape Town. For appointment call: 0722082071