"Just Beyond" Art Collection by Ashley Stuart

Online exhibition opens September 6th at ashley-stuart.com



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A new collection by Ashley Stuart will be available to the public September 6th on ashley-stuart.com. The "Just Beyond" exhibition features 10 original watercolor or mixed media landscape paintings and limited edition giclée prints with inspiration from around England. The collection will be available until December 2020. Join Ashley on Instagram Live during the week of September 7th for Q&A sessions and a walk through the creation process (@ashleystuartart). The collection will be exhibited online at https://ashleystuart.com.

Stuart has not let lockdown dampen her travel art, but rather saw it as an opportunity to look for inspiration closer to home rather than around the world. "Just Beyond" is the result of her lockdown exploration, featuring UK landscapes nearby her home in Peterborough. She enjoys exploring expansive space viewed from first-person, guiding viewers towards passageways to somewhere unknown. Each piece aims to be an avenue for nostalgia, while evoking curiosity about what might be just beyond the frame of view.

Asked about the collection, Stuart said, "As a travel artist, lockdown felt completely restrictive. But as time went on, I realized I was given a gift to really see the beauty of where we live and translate the curiosity of what lies just beyond into a collection."

Using layers of visceral brushstrokes to create a fluid base, Stuart applies watercolor pencil or graphite overtop to create depth, definition, and texture. Her work focuses on figurative landscapes that are often devoid of people. With this collection, Stuart hopes encourage viewers to embrace the beauty of life right outside your doorstep.

Join Ashley on Instagram September 6th for a virtual gallery event (@ashleystuartart). Stuart is living and working in Peterborough, though is an expat of the USA. She opened her online art shop in April 2020 and has been pleasantly surprised by the amount of support and sales she has received. Her work can be found in private homes and offices throughout the UK and USA.

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