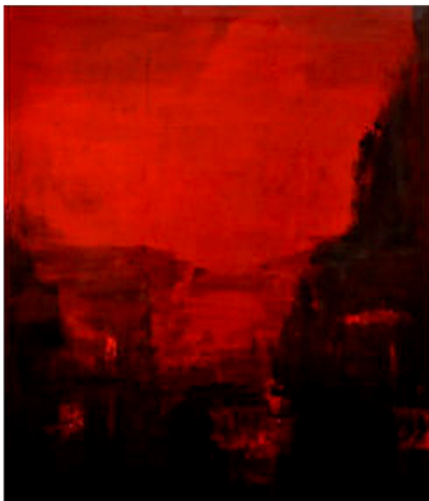


# SURFACE TENSION

Simon Harris  
Andy Owen



Andy Owen, *Am I Not Merciful*  
Oil on Linen



Simon Harris, *The Little Street*  
Oil on Linen

Private View: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 6-8pm

Exhibited across two venues, *Surface Tension* presents new works by Simon Harris and Andy Owen. This exhibition continues an ongoing critical dialogue between the two artists as they explore the space within, upon and of painting's surface.

Both Harris and Owen are committed to the act of painting and share an enthusiasm for the materiality of paint and the painted surface. This physical engagement is underpinned by a deeper critical exploration of the inherence of illusion within this two-dimensional medium, and of the morphic potential of abstract painting that enables it to extend beyond this.

With the alluring qualities of a cinematic glow the viewer is invited to embark on their own exploration of the painted surface, whilst experiencing the works in both Sarah Wiseman Gallery and The North Wall Art Centre offers the exciting opportunity to also question these surfaces in relation to the contrasting physical spaces around them.

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Exhibition continues until Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October