# THE WORLD OF MICHAEL PARKES

## FINE ART ON CANVAS





#### MAGICAL REALISM | THE WORLD OF MICHAEL PARKES

In magical realism we find the transformation of the common and the everyday into the awesome and the unreal. It is predominantly an art of surprises. Time exists in a kind of timeless fluidity and the unreal happens as part of reality. Once the viewer accepts this, the rest follows with logical precision.

Magical realism is more than anything else; an attitude toward reality that can be expressed in popular or cultured forms, in closed or open structures. In magical realism the artist confronts reality and tries to untangle it, to discover what is mysterious in things, in life, in human acts. The principle thing is not the creation of imaginary beings or worlds but the discovery of the mysterious relationship between man and his circumstances. In magical realism key events have no logical or psychological explanation. The magical realist does not try to copy the surrounding reality but to seize the mystery that breathes behind things.

Magical realism – is not a realism to be transfigured by the supplement of a magical perspective, but a reality which is already in and of itself magical or fantastic. Magical realism turns out to be part of a twentieth-century preoccupation with how our ways of being in the world resist capture by the traditional logic of the waking mind's reason. The magical realists' reveal the intimate interdependence between reality and fantasy. Magical realism transforms the ordinary into the extraordinary.



BLACK ORCHID 12.5 x 16 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



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DIAMOND WARRIOR 22 x 30 inches & 37 x 48 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



GOLDEN FINCH 15 x 15 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas





THE CREATION 29.5 x 39.5 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



NIGHTFALL 17 x 33.5 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



SKY MEDITATION 27 x 20.5 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



THE SUMMIT 24 x 19 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas





GOLD 17.5 x 39.5 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



THE LAST PEONY 42 x 32.5 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



ETERNITY 17 x 42 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



VENUS 39.75 x 32.5 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



MORNING LIGHT 55 x 27.5 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



POLAR WINGS 13 x 22.25 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



FEARLESS 24.5 x 27.5 inches | Fine Art Edition on Canvas



# MASTER OF MAGIC REALISM



Michael Parkes is the world's leading magical realist painter, sculptor and stone lithographer. His decades of success as a fine artist stand out in the art world and his body of work stands for the ages. That being said, Parkes continues to create new works with the latest being his Masterworks on Vellum which is truly revolutionary. What is unusual about Parkes is that in his art, metaphysical and spiritual elements are joined in

our reality. His work evokes a mysterious atmosphere infused with mythology and eastern philosophy.

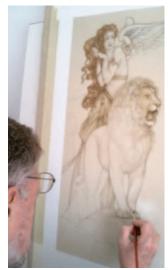
One thing is certain. Whenever a work of Michael Parkes is encountered, and whatever its medium, one would never for a moment be in doubt who had created it. There are few artists working today who



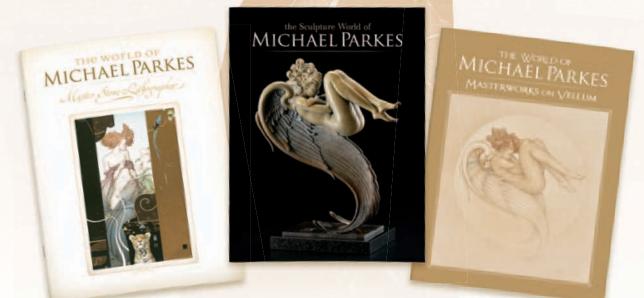
inhabit such a compelling, unified private world, and have such an immediate gift of inviting everyone else into it. The experience of entering Parkes personal domain is in general a pleasant one. Parkes states "I like to bring the viewers into my world, they may say 'I know we are not in Kansas anymore, Toto, but I feel comfortable here—I think I'll take a look around'."

Michael Parkes is American, (born 1944) currently spends his time between the US, Spain and India.





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