

RUSSELL HERRON'S CARDBOARD FACE SOUP

A SOLO SHOW



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This July, BSMT Gallery in Dalston will be opening 'Russell Herron's Cardboard Face Soup', a striking solo exhibition by award-winning British artist Russell Herron. Known for his hyper-realistic drawings of cardboard portraits, Herron pushes the boundaries of identity and self-representation in a bold new body of work created especially for this show.

Having garnered recognition and acclaim within the Art World with selections at the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, the ING Discerning Eye, and the Trinity Buoy Wharf Drawing Prize, Herron now turns his gaze inward. A new series of eight large coloured pencil drawings, enigmatically titled as self-portraits, dares the viewer to question authorship and subject. Are they really him? Or are they us - generically?

But the centrepiece is something truly unique. For the first time, Herron reveals a monumental multi-piece work: 132 cast jesmonite cardboard faces,

each one painted in a colour from Farrow & Ball's 2024 signature colour palette. A grid of identity, design, and the controlled act of replication, this work explores materiality and the shifting mask of the self.

Alongside these, visitors will find a series of smaller portraits- both in colour and black and white and a suite of experimental pieces that play with form and participation: a drawing that changes daily; a drawing that needs scanning on a phone to access the content; and a work that uses the gallery owners themselves.

Herron's work contemplates portraiture, identity, location, history and loss - all filtered through his medium of choice: the humble and ordinary cardboard. As the artist puts it:

"All art is in some way a self-portrait. That's what artists do. You can't escape from who you are. Even if I'm making a drawing of you, it's still about me" - Russell Herron



Self-Portrait as a Heel

Colour pencil on paper

83 x 64cm

£3,200



Self-Portrait with Fried Eggs

Colour pencil on paper

83 x 64cm

£3,200



Self-Portrait Without Beard

Colour pencil on paper

83 x 64cm

£3,200



Big Self-Portrait

Colour pencil on paper

83 x 64cm

£3,200



Self-Portrait on 6th Wedding Anniversary

Colour pencil on paper

83 x 64cm

£3,200



Self-Portrait as the Allegory of Painting

Colour pencil on paper

83 x 64cm

£3,200



Self-Portrait at the age of 63

Colour pencil on paper

83 x 64cm

£3,200



Self-Portrait with Thorn Necklace and Hummingbird

Colour pencil on paper

83 x 64cm

£3,200



History Drawing 2

Colour pencil on paper

100 x 76cm

£3,000





Portrait of the artist Yukako Shibata

Pencil on paper

92 x 67cm

£2,600



Michael

Colour pencil on paper

42 x 36cm

£1,550



Mike

Colour pencil on paper

42 x 36cm

£1,550

**Mikey**

Colour pencil on paper

42 x 36cm

£1,550

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Colour pencil on paper

42 x 36cm

£1,550

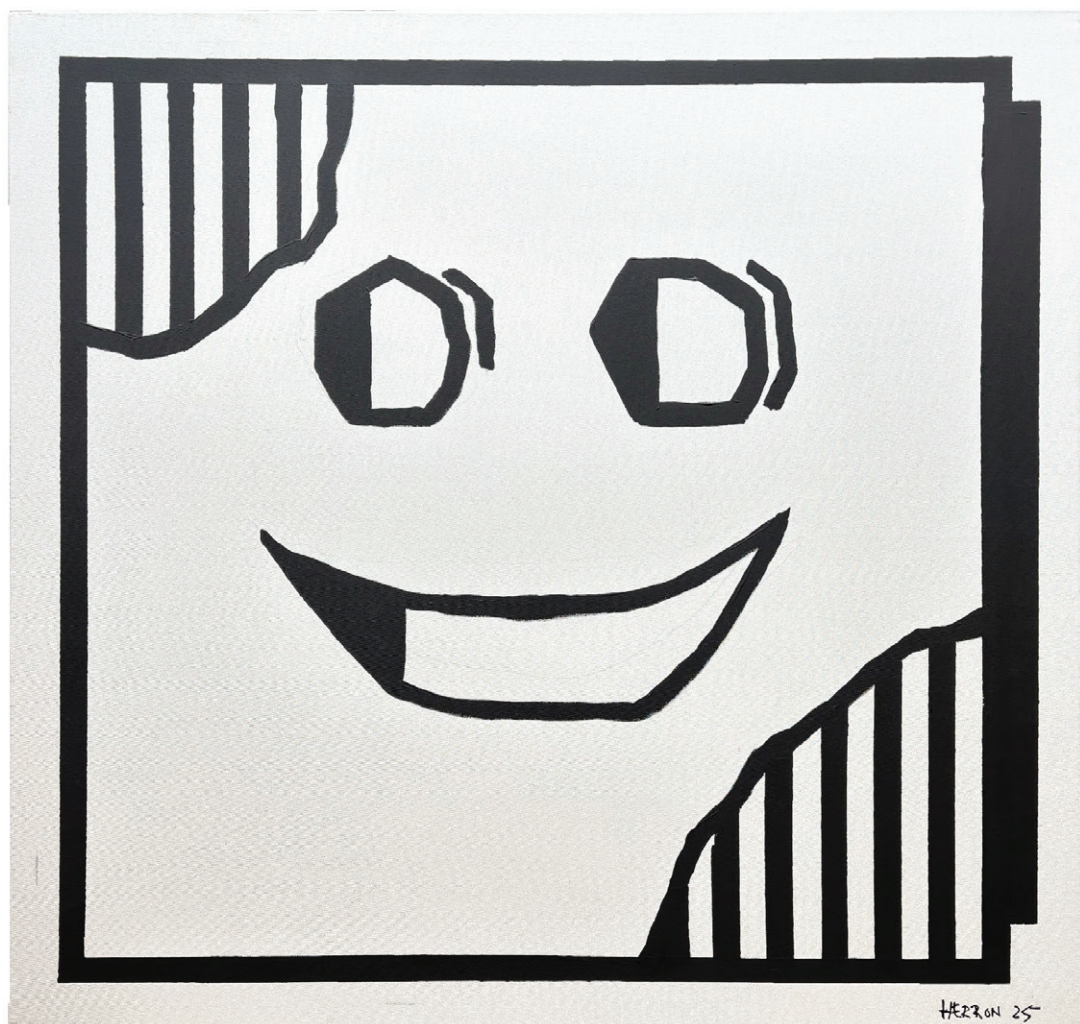


Mick

Colour pencil on paper

42 x 36cm

£1,550

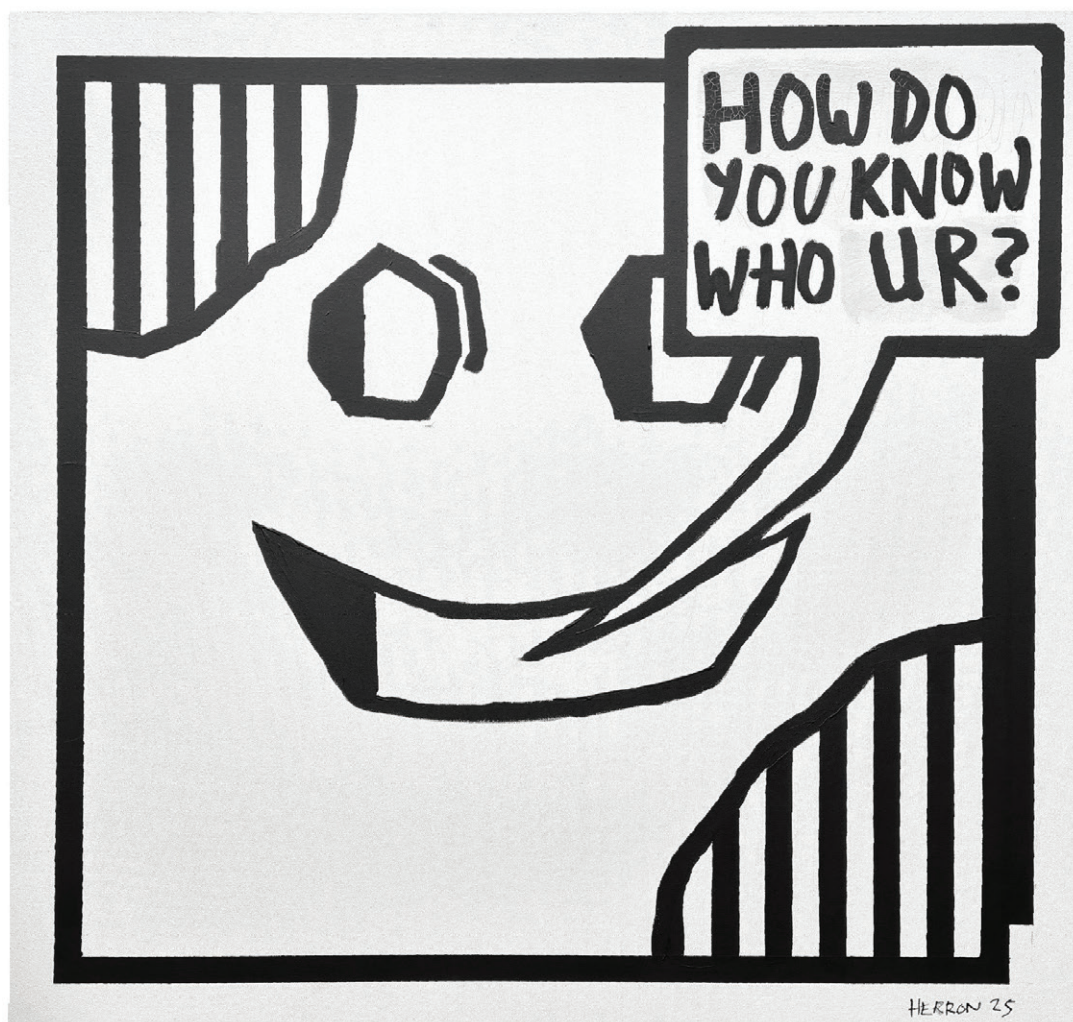


Lil' Cardboard

Acrylic on canvas

120 x 120 cm

£1,200



Lil' Cardboard

Acrylic on canvas

120 x 120 cm

£1,200



Self-Portrait Much Younger

Pencil on paper

37x 29cm

£1,000



Small Cardboard Portrait number 82

Pencil on paper

36 x 27cm

£1,000





Katherine

Pencil on paper

37 x 29cm

£895



Kate

Pencil on paper

37 x 29cm

£895



Katie

Pencil on paper

37 x 29cm

£895



Kat

Pencil on paper

37 x 29cm

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Kathy

Pencil on paper

37 x 29cm

£895



ERASERS

HB

BLACK

2H

BLENTERS

B 2B

H 3H

4B 5B

RUSSELL HERRON

Owl Brand stationery
GRAPHIC 2B



H.I.W.W.W.

Pencil on paper

36 x 36cm

£925



MARY (ALL WHITE)



MARY (SKIMMING STONE)



MARY (STRONG WHITE)



MARY (SCHOOL
HOUSE WHITE)



MARY (MIZZLE)



MARY (CROMARTY)



MARY (JAMES WHITE)



MARY (WEVET)



MARY (SHADED
WHITE)



MARY (STIRABOUT)



MARY (BORROWED
LIGHT)



MARY (STONY GROUND)



MARY (WHITE TIE)



MARY (AMMONITE)



MARY (BLACKENED)



MARY (LIME WHITE)



MARY (SKYLIGHT)



MARY (FARROW
CREAM)



MARY (GREAT WHITE)



MARY (SHADOW WHITE)



MARY (CABBAGE WHITE)



MARY (DIMPSE)



MARY (EDDY)



MARY (NEW WHITE)



MARY (WIMBORNE WHITE)



MARY (TALLOW)



MARY (TAILOR TACK)



MARY (OFF WHITE)



MARY (SLIPPER
SATIN)



MARY (ELEPHANT'S
BREATH)



MARY (POINTING)



MARY (CORNFORTH
WHITE)



MARY (DIMITY)



MARY (JOA'S WHITE)



MARY (DROP CLOTH)



MARY (JITNEY)

THE MARYS

Jesmonite, Farrow and Ball paint, varnish

15 x 15cm

£300 each



MARY (MIDDLETON PINK)



MARY (LIGHT BLUE)



MARY (BALL GREEN)



MARY (COOKING
APPLE GREEN)



MARY (LONDON STONE)



MARY (OLD WHITE)



MARY (MATCHSTICK)



MARY (PEIGNOIR)



MARY (FRENCH GRAY)



MARY (DOVE TALE)



MARY (CALLUNA)



MARY (OXFORD STONE)



MARY (DORSET CREAM)



MARY (GREEN BLUE)



MARY (KITTIWAKE)



MARY (CALAMINE)



MARY (GREEN GROUND)



MARY (HARDWICK
WHITE)



MARY (PARMA GRAY)



MARY (DEAD SALMON)



MARY (STRING)



MARY (PALE POWDER)



MARY (CORD)



MARY (PURBECK STONE)



MARY (HAY)



MARY (PINK GROUND)



MARY (BLUE GREEN)



MARY (BONE)



MARY (LIGHT GRAY)



MARY (MANOR HOUSE
GRAY)

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MARY (PAVILION
GRAY)



MARY (DAYROOM
YELLOW)



MARY (BLUE GROUND)



MARY (BREAKFAST
ROOM GREEN)



MARY (MOLE'S BREATH)



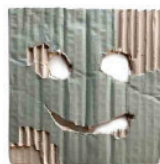
MARY (RANGWALI)



MARY (LULWORTH
BLUE)



MARY (CARD ROOM
GREEN)



MARY (PIGEON)



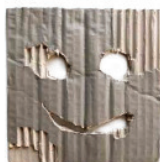
MARY (CINDER ROSE)



MARY (BRASSICA)



MARY (INDIA YELLOW)



MARY CHARLESTON
GRAY)



MARY (DIX BLUE)



MARY (LICHEN)



MARY (SULKING
ROOM PINK)



MARY (TRERON)



MARY (CITRON)



MARY (VERT DE
TERRE)



MARY (LAMP ROOM GRAY)



MARY (SELVEDGE)



MARY (STONE BLUE)



MARY (RED EARTH)



MARY (PLUMMET)



MARY (SETTING PLASTER)



MARY (TERESA'S
GREEN)



MARY (WHIRLYBIRD)



MARY (NANCY'S
BLUSHES)



MARY (SUDBURY
YELLOW)



MARY (ARSENIC)



MARY (TEMPLETON
PINK)



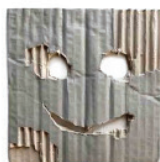
MARY (OVAL ROOM
BLUE)



MARY (YELLOW
GROUND)



MARY (YEABRIDGE
GREEN)



MARY (WORSTED)



MARY (BABOUCHE)

THE MARYS

Jesmonite, Farrow and Ball paint, varnish

15 x 15cm

£300 each



MARY (CHARLOTTE'S
LOCKS)



MARY (INCARNADINE)



MARY (PICTURE
GALLERY RED)



MARY (PREFERENCE RED)



MARY (HOPPER HEAD)



MARY (GREEN SMOKE)



MARY (DE NIMES)



MARY (LONDON CLAY)



MARY (HAGUE BLUE)



MARY (TANNER'S BROWN)



MARY (EATING ROOM
RED)



MARY (BAMBOOZLE)



MARY (STIFFKEY BLUE)



MARY (PELT)



MARY (RAILINGS)



MARY (RECTORY RED)



MARY (BANCHA)



MARY (WINE DARK)



MARY (BEVERLY)



MARY (OFF BLACK)



MARY (MOUSE'S
BACK)



MARY (CALKE GREEN)



MARY (BRINJAL)



MARY (DOWN PIPE)



MARY (PAEAN BLACK)



MARY (COOK'S BLUE)



MARY (VARDO)



MARY (INCHYRA BLUE)



MARY (STUDIO
GREEN)



MARY (PITCH BLACK)

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