



GALLERY



Michael Leunig

Rising Up

Exhibition Catalogue

4th of October - 24th October



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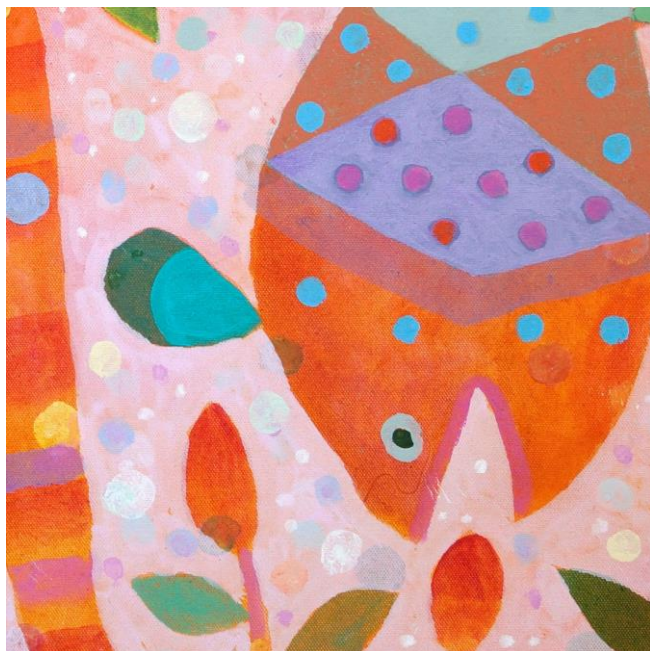
Celebrated cartoonist, painter and philosopher Michael Leunig brings to life joyous and relatable stories that comment on the fragile ecosystem of human nature and its relationship to the natural world. This exhibition showcases recent paintings and etchings by Michael Leunig

Michael Leunig was born in East Melbourne in 1945. He is a self-taught artist and his early cartoon work was published in underground magazines in the 1960's. Michael went on to become a political cartoonist for major daily newspapers producing a unique style of work that was controversial and often addressed issues that were more philosophical than political. His cartoon offerings were sometimes accompanied by his own poetic texts, and these works became the substance of the many books he created over the course of his career.

Michael's words have been set to music by a range of classical and contemporary composers, including large projects with The Australian Chamber Orchestra. His work has been widely used and adapted by theatre companies, psychologists, teachers and theologians, both in Australia and abroad, and is also commonly read at weddings, funerals and other ceremonial occasions. For his cultural contribution, Michael was made a Living National Treasure by The National Trust in 1999 and has been awarded three honorary degrees by Australian universities – indeed a strange situation for an artist with notable dissenting views and a gentle outsider perspective.

Michael's artwork has been collected by the National Gallery of Australia, The National Library of Australia, The National Gallery of Victoria and various regional galleries. He has worked with Indigenous community art centres in Cape York, Arnhem Land and central Australia.

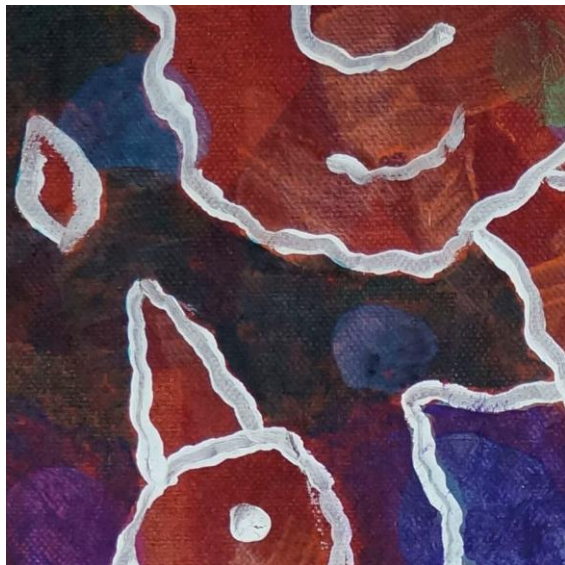
Living in a small rural community in northern Victoria, Michael continues his newspaper cartooning, painting, printmaking and working with nature according to his lifelong love of the land and the bush.



Life in the jungle
 Acrylic on canvas
 Canvas size: 915 x 760 mm
 Framed: \$12,500



Creatures in the garden
Acrylic on canvas
Canvas size: 405 x 505mm
Framed: \$4,500



Saturday Afternoon
Acrylic on canvas
Canvas size: 460 x 605mm
Framed: \$5,500



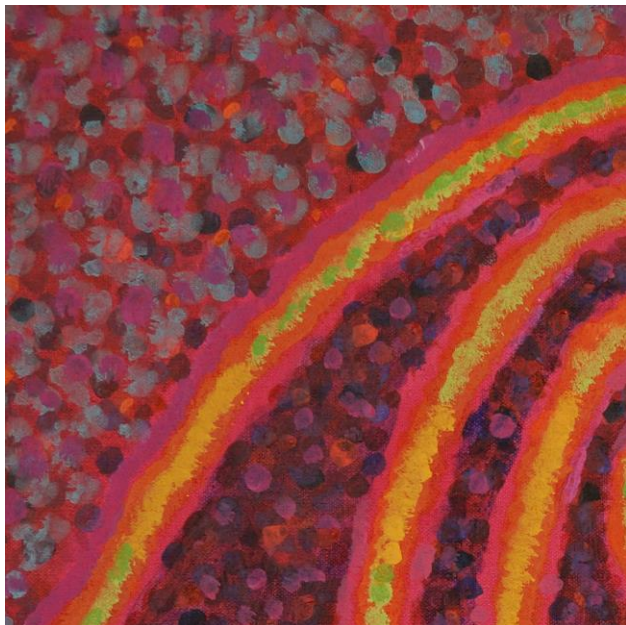
Walking away
Acrylic on canvas
Canvas size: 405 x 505mm
Framed: \$5,000



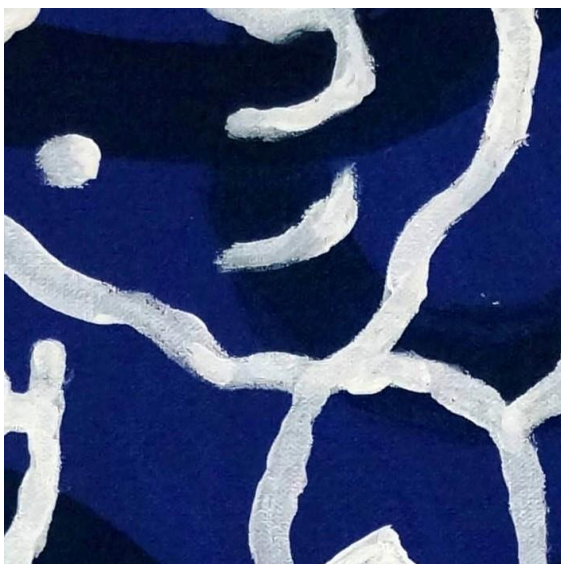
Life goes on
Acrylic on canvas
Canvas size: 915 x 715
Framed: \$12,000



Off with the birds
Acrylic on canvas
Canvas size: 510 x 405
Framed: \$5,000



Big kiss
Acrylic on canvas
Canvas size: 605 x 505 mm
Framed: \$6,000



Saturday afternoon II
Acrylic on canvas
Canvas size: 505 x 605 mm
Framed: \$6,000



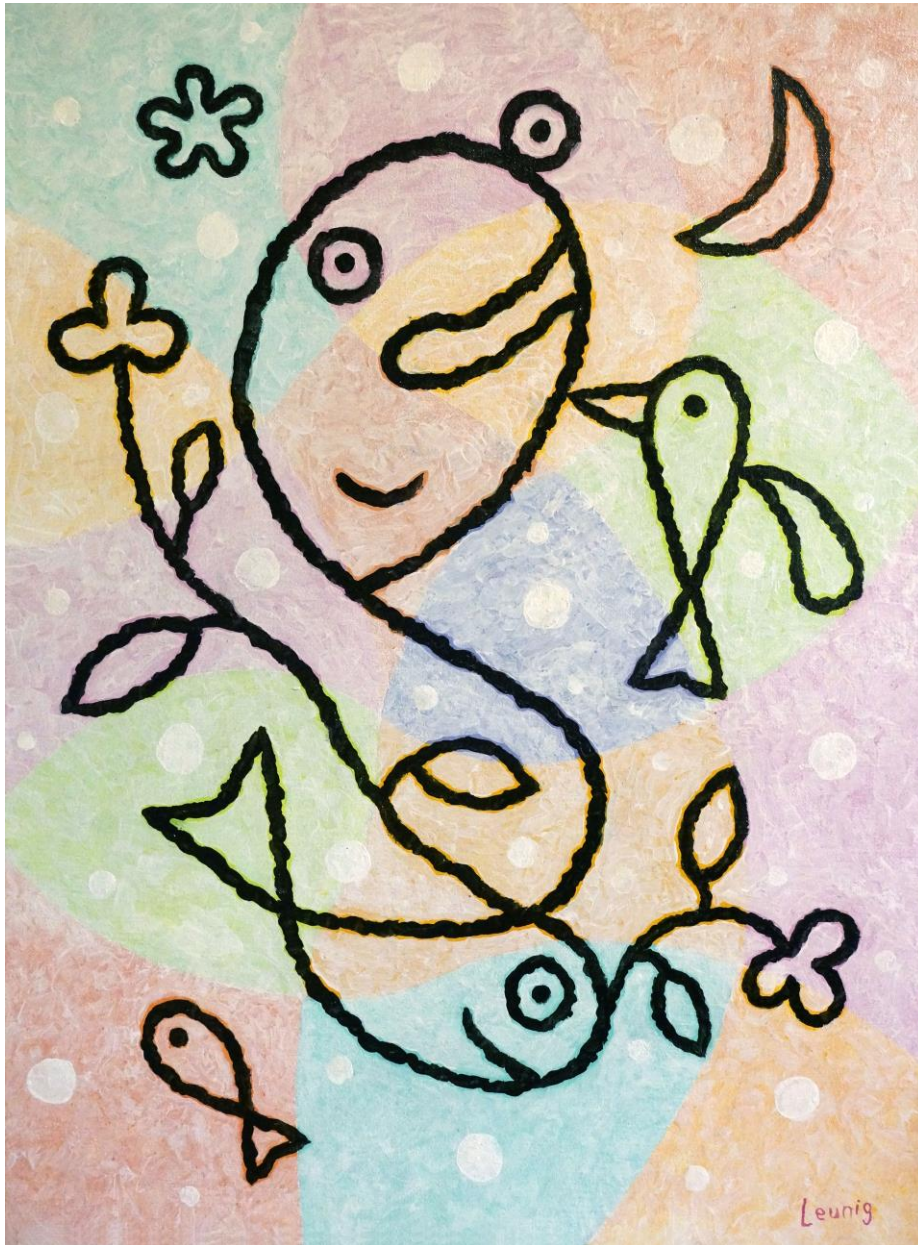
Simple pleasures
Acrylic on linen
505 x 505 mm
Framed: \$5,500



Body and soul
Acrylic on canvas
Canvas size: 510 x 605 mm
Framed: \$6,000



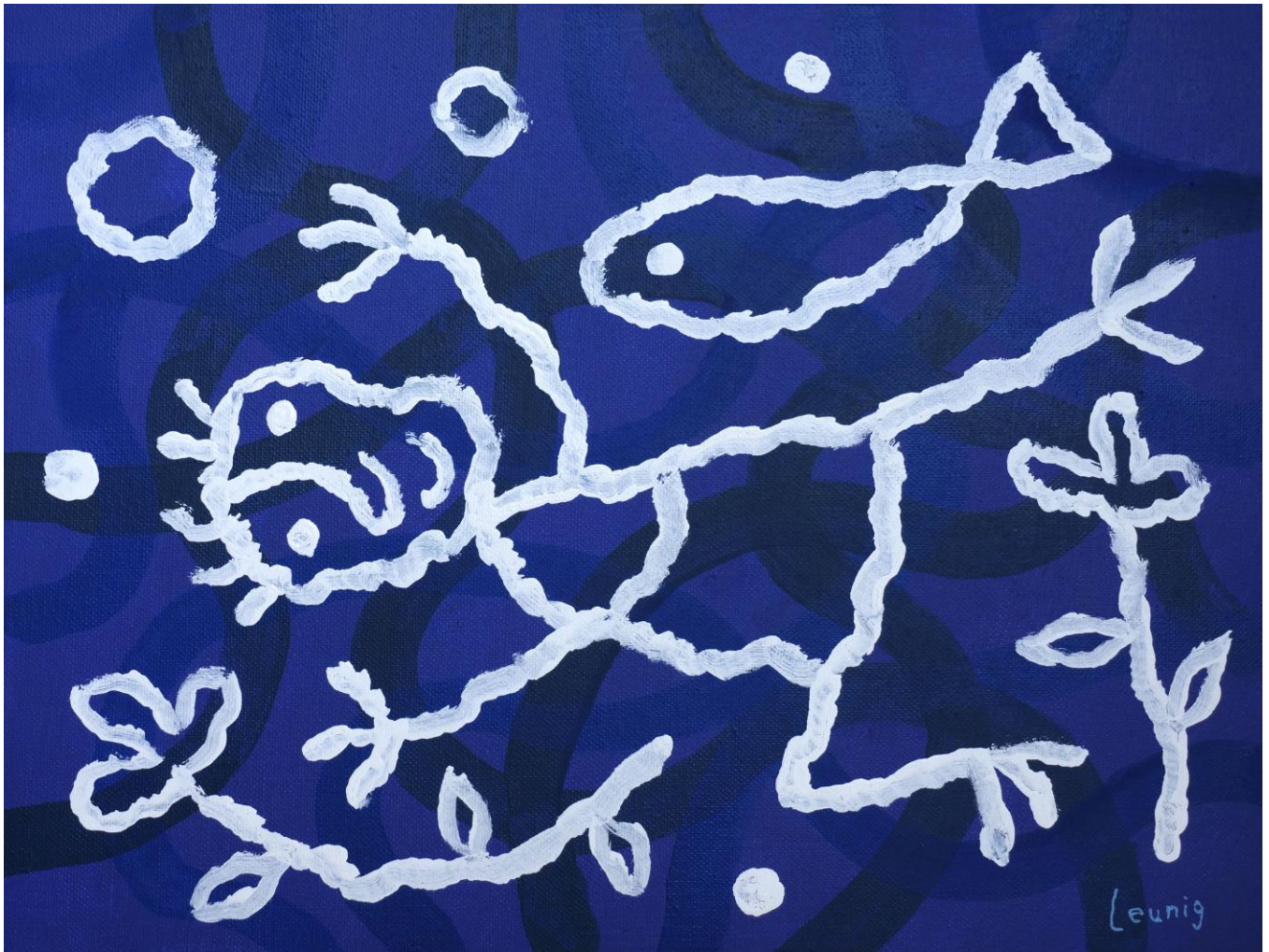
An old flame
Acrylic on linen
460 x 605 mm
Framed: \$5,500



Second childhood
Acrylic on linen
460 x 605 mm
Framed: \$5,000



Rising up
Acrylic on linen
400 x 505 mm
Framed: \$4,500



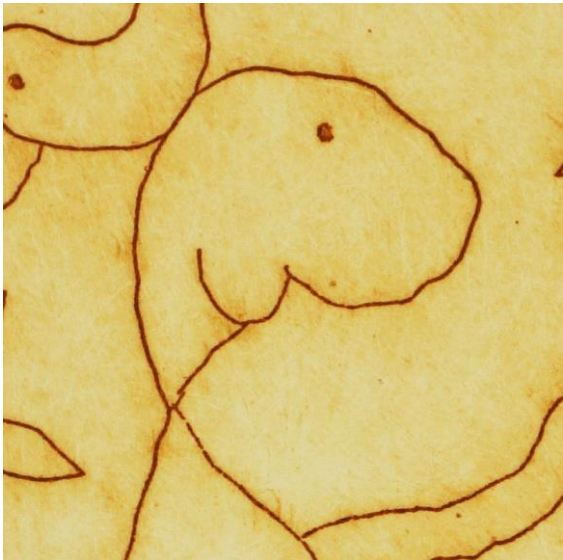
Swimming underwater
Acrylic on linen
405 x 305 mm
Framed: \$3,000



Daffodil
Limited edition
etching
Edition of 90
170 x 200 mm
Framed: \$1,050



Tree of life
Limited edition
etching
Edition of 90
170 x 200 mm
Framed: \$1,050



Joyful journey
Limited edition
etching
Edition of 90
170 x 200 mm
Framed: \$1,050