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Luca Sára Rózsa: *A Circle Does Not Have An End*
November 30–December 20, 2023

Steve Turner is pleased to present *A Circle Does Not Have An End*, a solo exhibition by Budapest-based Luca Sára Rózsa which features recent paintings and a ceramic relief with compositions inspired by Christian iconography that depict enigmatic figures that are bathing, embracing, nurturing or resting. According to the artist, the people are living their lives in silent resignation, and they represent the eternal life cycle. The ceramic relief and one of the paintings depict a mother breastfeeding her baby alluding to the inevitable passage of life from one generation to the next. The paintings are also very much about painting itself as Rózsa has developed a briskly intuitive painterly skill where lush brush strokes intersect and overlap in quick succession in a palette of flesh tones, purples, greens and blues. Painting does for Rózsa what religion might do for others. It enables her to find purpose for her impermanent life. Combined with her narrative and style, this understanding reinforces that a circle indeed does not have an end.

Born in Budapest in 1990, Luca Sára Rózsa grew up between Brazil and Hungary. She returned to Europe to study at Eszterházy Károly College, Eger, Hungary (2009-2012); Universitate di Arta si Design, Cluj Napoca, Romania (2011); Hungarian University of Fine Arts, Budapest (2012-2017) and Jan Matejko University of Fine Arts, Krakow (2015). She had a solo exhibition at Steve Turner, Los Angeles (2022) and has had eleven solo exhibitions in Hungary since 2011, most recently at Viltin Gallery, Budapest (2021).

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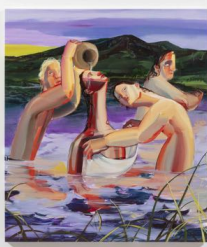
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Luca Sára Rózsa
Death (Birth), 2023
Oil on canvas
29 ¹/₂ x 21 ⁵/₈ inches (75 x 55 cm)
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Luca Sára Rózsa
Circle of Pastor and Sheep, 2023
Oil on canvas
80 ³/₄ x 61 ³/₈ inches (205 x 156 cm)
l.rozsa013331



Luca Sára Rózsa
Bathers, 2023
Oil on canvas
63 x 55 ¹/₈ inches (160 x 140 cm)
l.rozsa013332



Luca Sára Rózsa
Statues of Birth, Life, Death and Birth Again, 2023
Oil on canvas
80 ³/₄ x 60 ⁵/₈ inches (205 x 154 cm)
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Luca Sára Rózsa
Death (Birth), 2023
Oil on canvas
51 ¹/₈ x 41 ³/₈ inches (130 x 105 cm)
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Luca Sára Rózsa
Paradise, 2023
Glazed ceramic
11 ³/₄ x 7 ⁷/₈ inches (30 x 20 cm)
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Luca Sára Rózsa

Birth (Death), 2023

Oil on canvas

29 ¹/₂ x 21 ⁵/₈ inches (75 x 55 cm)

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