

Katie Kaur (b. 2000)



Katie Kaur (b. 2000) is a British-Indian artist based in London. Her painting practice explores themes of memory, identity, and belonging through an investigation of time, perception and lived experience. For Kaur, painting is a space of enquiry, exploring what it means to be submerged - still and weightless, yet reaching to stay afloat.

Untethered from the physical world, Kaur's paintings depict ghost-like figures, suspended within fluid landscapes, occupying a space between feeling and dream. Working through gradual layers of diluted pigment, Kaur develops a visual language that moves like water, allowing forms to dissolve into one another. Fragments of hand-stitched canvas create protruding ruptures in time and space - moments briefly held together - whilst raw fabric embodies shifting light, pooling from above.

The five rivers of the Panjab are a recurring metaphor throughout her practice, a presence that gives and takes, heals and divides, flows and endures. They became a symbol of the constant ebb and flow of the human experience, while reflecting the artist's relationship to place and identity.

Katie Kaur received a BA in Art and Design from the University of Leeds in 2022 and an MA in Painting from the Royal College of Art in 2025, where she was awarded the Deputy Vice Chancellor's UK Scholarship. Kaur has exhibited widely across the UK, with recent highlights including *Painting - A Changed Environment* at Messums West (2026), *Slalom* at Subtitle Labs

(2026) and Art For Your Oceans at Sotheby's (2025). Kaur was longlisted for the 2026 Aesthetica Art Prize and is a recipient of the 2026 Huaicun Zhang Award.

Selected Exhibitions

- 2026 *Slalom*, Subtitle Labs, London [Duo Exhibit]
Royal Society of British Artists, Mall Galleries, London
Painting - A Changed Environment, Messums West, Wiltshire
- 2025 *Vital Void*, Tiderip, London
Art For Your Oceans, Sotheby's, London
Rising Stars, Royal Society of British Artists, London
Slim Slow Slider, Subtitle Labs, London
- 2024 *The Hangar Exhibition*, RCA, London
- 2022 *The Hari Art Prize*, London
Ones To Watch, Sunny Bank Mills, Leeds
Taking Up Space, Leeds

Prizes, Fairs, and Residencies

- 2026 The Aesthetica Art Prize [Longlisted]
The Huaicun Zhang Award [Recipient]
- 2025 RBA Rome Scholarship [Finalist]
The Deputy Vice Chancellor's UK Scholarship, Royal College of Art
- 2023 Ones to Watch Studio Residency, Sunny Bank Mills
- 2022 The Hari Art Prize [Shortlisted]