

LOCAL TALENT:

A Celebration of Women, by Women

These twelve artists are all currently preparing to open their studios and host exhibitions in May as part of the Oxfordshire Artweeks festival. You can also visit Women by Women III at the ronapainting gallery in Jericho, showcasing a variety of art by selected female-identifying artists on the theme of Mother.

Ronapainting Gallery, 34 Walton Street, Jericho, Oxford OX2 6AA; exhibition runs from 2 March-8 April



1. Joy by Sharon Williams, acrylic on birch ply panel (NFS); commissions available. sharonwilliams.co.uk



2 Morning Light, by graphite artist **Sue Side**, £375. Also available as a limited-edition mounted print, £50 sueside.com

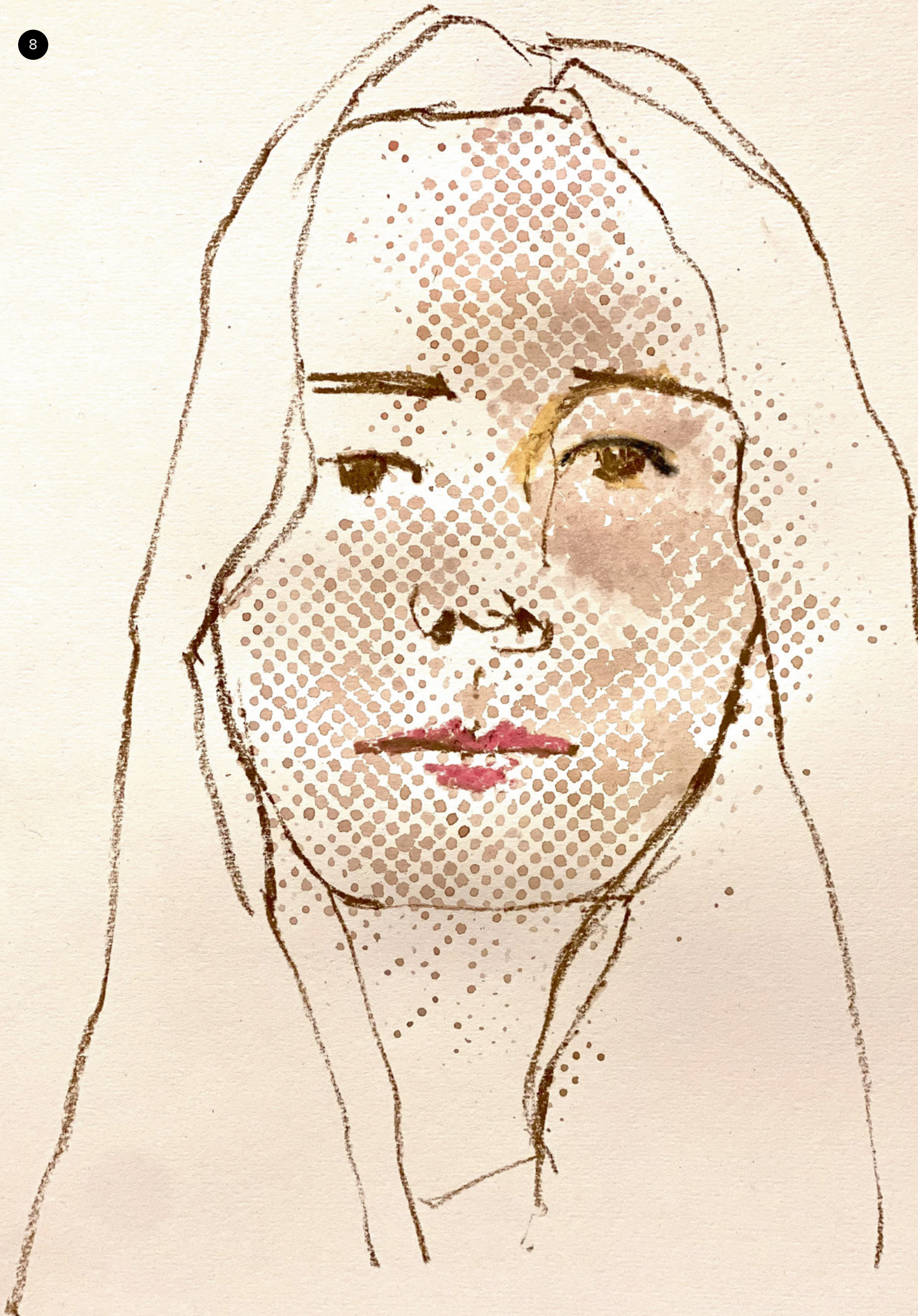
3 Lady in Blue, one of a new series of Japanese women in mixed media by **Jenny Smith**. £85 jennysmith1848@gmail.com

4 **Jackie Richards'** extraordinary collages, like this portrait of Nina Simone, are available as originals. £250 unframed, or as giclée prints from £45. lovefromtheartist.com/artists/oxford/jackie-richards

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- 5** Two Faced by Watlington Artweeks newcomer **Emma Ogilvy** is acrylic on canvas board, £450 ogilvyart.co.uk
- 6** They said I used to look like her, by **Ruth Swain**, shows her mother-in-law Gill who loved reading and loved Elizabeth Taylor, and in her own heyday was 'the absolute image of her'. £4,500. Prints available, £150 ruthswain.co.uk
- 7** Protection, by Artweeks newcomer **Karina Tarin**, depicts a woman's need to preserve her inner freedom with an outer show of strength. It's also shows her protective role over her children. The swan is her spirit of strength, and a nod to the Norse myth of the Swan Maiden, who can transform and fly away at will as long as she retains her 'winged cloak'. Oil on cradled board, £550 karinatarin.co.uk





- 8** **Jill Colchester's** Untitled from her latest series, Headlines, captures a girl in a moment with a simplicity of line. £87 jillcolchester.com
- 9** Ida's Veranda by **Jane Kelly** is part of a series of paintings, Mum's Chums, which celebrates the longevity of women's friendship. £200 [@jmkpaintings](https://www.instagram.com/jmkpaintings) on Instagram
- 10** This brand new giant mosaic of St Joan by **Becky Paton** was inspired by Joan of Arc with a David Bowie twist (90cm diameter). £4,000 beckymosaics.co.uk
- 11** Mother and Child sculpture in soapstone, by artist **Kay Gibbons**. £375 [@kaygibbons_art.glass.sculpture](https://www.instagram.com/kaygibbons_art.glass.sculpture)
- 12** These Mother Earth sculptures, created by **Kashmira Patel** from terracotta clay with oxides and glazes are sold as a pair, £300 [@playwithclay_by_kashmira](https://www.instagram.com/playwithclay_by_kashmira) on Instagram
- 13** Self portrait by **Ruth Swain** in the style of Norman Rockwell. £2,500 or £150 for prints ruthswain.co.uk