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MAAIKE SCHOOREL Fulcrum

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private view: Friday 28 April 2023, 5 – 7 pm Maureen Paley, 60 Three Colts Lane the artist will be present

Maureen Paley is pleased to announce *Fulcrum*, a new exhibition by Maaike Schoorel. This will be her fifth exhibition with the gallery and follows on from her recent solo exhibition at the Willet-Holthuysen House that is part of the Amsterdam Museum. The new work will be presented both at the gallery in Bethnal Green and at Studio M in Shoreditch.

Maaike Schoorel is widely known for her paintings that explore an indefinable space between abstraction and figuration. The work aims to subtly reveal scenes and moments in life using the minimum of detail and indication. Her approach to painting is informed by a nuanced understanding of how colour and form are interpreted by the eye and mind. The paintings' subjects have continuously oscillated between historical genres such as still lives, portraits and landscapes that simultaneously reference contemporary life and older traditions. Formally, many of her paintings appear to be almost monochromatic, yet on closer inspection they reveal a breadth of pigment and texture. The new paintings in this exhibition document familiar scenes of human connection, celebration and interaction with a greater intensity of colour. They present glimpses of personal experience across single, two and three-part canvases that are at once diaristic and serene in presence.

Maaike Schoorel (b. 1973, Santpoort, The Netherlands and lives and works in Amsterdam, The Netherlands). Selected solo exhibitions include *Rendez-vous*, Amsterdam Museum, The Willet-Holthuysen House, Amsterdam, The Netherlands (2022/2023); *Maaike Schoorel at Van Wassenhove House*, Museum Dhondt-Dhaenens, Deurle, Belgium (2020); *London | New York | Rome | Amsterdam*, Kunstmuseum Den Hague, The Hague, The Netherlands (2016/2017); *Conversation Piece Part 2: Maaike Schoorel*, Fondazione Memmo, Rome, Italy (2016); *Sub-Lo*, Maureen Paley, London, UK (2015); *Maaike Schoorel And The Old Masters*, Frans Hals Museum – HOF, Haarlem, The Netherlands (2012); *Tribute*, Maureen Paley, London, UK (2012); *Maaike Schoorel - Zelfportretten & Stillevens*, The Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, London, UK (2011); *Album*, Frans Hals Museum – HAL, Haarlem, The Netherlands (2008); *Nudes*, Maureen Paley, London, UK (2008); *Bathing dining garden father daughters beach bed*, Maureen Paley, London, UK (2006).

The exhibition is open from Saturday 29 April, Wednesday - Sunday, 11am - 6pm