

Zarah Cassim | Fluster

"In this series of paintings, I explore the fragile boundary between constraint and overwhelm - the unsettled state of being flustered. Working with layers of oil paint, I build surfaces that shift between control and disruption, where gestures are interrupted and reworked. Color and brushstrokes create movement and turbulence within forms drawn from the natural landscape. These natural elements blur, dissolve, and echo a sense of "fluster."

Through this process, the paintings hold a tension between structure and collapse. Familiar shapes begin to lose their clarity, caught in a moment of transition. I am interested in how this state of imbalance reveals the multiple layers of reality - where uncertainty opens space for new ways of seeing."

- Zarah Cassim

Zarah Cassim is a South African artist based in Europe. Her practice explores the boundaries of perception, using the medium of painting as a 'tool of illusion.' Her work reflects a sensitive, romanticized view of the world, where natural landscapes serve as vehicles for disorientation and introspection. By blending flat, textured marks with atmospheric depth, Cassim creates surfaces that both seduce and evade the viewer.



ZARAH CASSIM
Embers in Bloom, 2026
Oil on canvas
160 x 130 x 4 cm
ZAR 125,000

99 LOOP



ZARAH CASSIM
Boheme, 2026
Oil on canvas
160 x 130 x 4 cm
ZAR 125,000

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ZARAH CASSIM
Setting in Ochre, 2026
Oil on canvas
160 x 130 x 4 cm
ZAR 125,000

99 LOOP



ZARAH CASSIM
Stone and Pebble, 2025
Oil on canvas (strips)
140 x 115 cm, framed: 143 x 118 x 4 cm
ZAR 110,000

99 LOOP



ZARAH CASSIM
Fevered, 2025
Oil on canvas
130 x 85 cm, framed: 133 x 88 x 4.5 cm
ZAR 95,000

99 LOOP



ZARAH CASSIM
The Dance I, 2025
Oil on canvas
180 x 200 x 4 cm
ZAR 165,000

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ZARAH CASSIM
The Dance III, 2025
Oil on canvas
180 x 200 x 4 cm
ZAR 165,000

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Harvest, 2025

Oil on canvas

40 x 30 cm, framed: 42.5 x 32.5 x 4 cm

ZAR 28,000

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Seed I, 2025
Oil on canvas
40 x 30 cm, framed: 42.5 x 32.5 x 4 cm
ZAR 28,000

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ZARAH CASSIM
Olive leaf, 2025
Oil on canvas
40 x 30 cm, framed: 42.5 x 32.5 x 4 cm
ZAR 28,000

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Seul III, 2025
Oil on canvas
70 x 55 cm, framed: 72.5 x 57.5 x 4 cm
ZAR 55,000

99 LOOP



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Monday Flowers, 2025
Oil on canvas
21.5 x 15.5 cm, framed: 24 x 17.5 x 3.5 cm
ZAR 15,000

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Pot Pourri, 2025

Oil on canvas

21.5 x 15.5 cm, framed: 24 x 17.5 x 3.5 cm

ZAR 15,000

99 LOOP



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Walk I, 2025

Oil on canvas

21.5 x 15.5 cm, framed: 24 x 17.5 x 3.5 cm

ZAR 15,000

99 LOOP



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Bleed, 2025
Oil on Fabriano
15 x 10 cm, framed: 43.5 x 31 cm
ZAR 12,000

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Sherbet, 2025

Oil on Fabriano

15 x 10 cm, framed: 43.5 x 31 x 3.5 cm

ZAR 12,000

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Berry, 2025

Oil on Fabriano

15 x 10 cm, framed: 43.5 x 31 x 3.5 cm

ZAR 12,000

99 LOOP



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Green, 2025

Oil on Fabriano

15 x 10 cm, framed: 43.5 x 31 x 3.5 cm

ZAR 12,000