



MARTIN MÁLEK

art framed by my own vision

VENTOR ASCENDENS

Acrylic on canvas

Year: 2025

Dimensions: 150x120 cm

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- **Ascent and Spiritual Power:** A majestic figure of an angel in dynamic upward motion, symbolizing the victory of the spirit and the infinite desire for self-transcendence.
 - **The Contrast of Lightness and Substance:** Detailed anatomical precision is balanced by ethereal white drapery, billowing in an imaginary wind, lending the composition both depth and movement.
 - **The Golden Frame as a Portal:** A signature gilded frame vertically borders the scene on both sides, transforming the piece into a sacred object and heightening the overall sense of grandeur.





The Path to Art as a Natural Evolution

- Academic Foundation: A 2009 graduate of the Secondary School of Glassmaking in Valašské Meziříčí; studies that established my technical and aesthetic foundations.
- I am an artist with a disciplined, self-developed visual language. My personal practice is built upon a foundation of rigorous drawing, meticulous attention to detail, and a uniquely evolved artistic style.
- A key element of my work is the integrated, textured frame. It is not merely a decoration but an inherent part of the canvas itself, providing depth and a luxurious character to the piece.
- I consciously work with the contrast of black and gold, drawing inspiration from the intensity of the Dark Baroque. My work restores attention to the male figure as a vessel of strength, aesthetics, and symbolic meaning—a direct response to its current marginalization in contemporary art.
- I do not strive for stylistic variability, but for its consistent mastery, so that each painting carries the unified character of my broader concept.



FREEDOM

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Dimensions: 80X110 cm

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- **Lightness and Movement:** A dynamic composition capturing a figure in a liberating flight, where the contrast between the human body and the flowing red fabric symbolizes untamed energy and inner freedom.
 - **Dramatic Color Accent:** A striking red color dominates the darker background, drawing attention to the movement and infusing the entire work with a powerful emotional charge.
 - **Harmony with the Frame:** The connection between the painting and the gilded frame underscores the elegance of the movement, transforming the artwork into a cohesive, luxurious object that stands out in both modern and classical interiors.



CAESAR

Acrylic on canvas

Year: 2025

Dimensions: 100X80 cm

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- **Strength and Charisma:** A modern perspective on an ancient ruler, combining a precisely painted figure with a mysterious, almost dreamlike atmosphere in the background.
 - **The Play of Detail and Gold:** A contrast between the delicate texture of leopard skin, musculature, and golden reflections, which lend the painting a luxurious and radiant appearance.
 - **The Frame as Part of the Story:** My signature, a hand-decorated gilded frame that seamlessly connects to the painting, creating a single, indivisible whole.



THE BLINDNESS OF GUILT

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- **Reflecting on the Objectivity of Law:** A modern interpretation of Justitia, who, through her blindfold and royal crown, points out that justice in the hands of the powerful can sometimes be blind and easily influenced.
 - **Symbolism of Power and Balance:** A detailed depiction of scales in a woman's hand, contrasted with rich green robe and golden jewelry, emphasizes the tension between personal interest and the higher principle of truth.
 - **Integrity of the Artistic Object:** The deeply textured gilded frame encloses this solemn subject into a dignified whole, elevating the work into an iconic symbol that dominates any space.



RHINOCEROS

Acrylic on canvas

Year: 2025

Dimensions: 80X100 cm



- **A Metaphor for Human Pleasure and Decay:** The motif of a rhinoceros drenched in chocolate points to the tragic fact that rare species are going extinct due to humanity's short-term pleasure and greed.
- **Contrast between Value and Indifference:** The radiant golden background, combined with the dripping sweet substance, symbolizes a world of luxury that often overlooks the fragility and price of the wilderness.
- **Artistic Appeal in a Signature Frame:** The robust gilded frame elevates this warning message to the level of a rare artifact, forcing the viewer to reflect on our relationship with the planet.

HOPE

Acrylic on canvas

Year: 2025

Dimensions: 90x60 cm

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- **The Inner Child and Courage:** A view of a small figure in a dark space reminds us that within each of us remains a piece of the child who faces the fear of the unknown.
 - **Light as a Way Out:** An open door from which a radiance emerges symbolizes hope and new possibilities that open up for us the moment we find the strength to stop being afraid.
 - **The Frame as a Gateway to Safety:** The characteristic gilded frame vertically lines the sides of this intimate moment, enhancing the feeling that we are peering into the depths of the human soul.





HEART

Acrylic on canvas

Year: 2025

Dimensions: 100x80 cm

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- **Passion and Inner Fire:** An expressive rendition of a human figure surrounded by dramatic red fabric, whose form resembles a heartbeat and unceasing life energy.
 - **Depth of Emotion Through Color:** Intense crimson in contrast with a dark, textured background gives the painting depth and underscores the emotional tension of the entire scene.
 - **The Gilded Frame as a Protective Shell:** A hand-crafted frame with a bold texture encloses the composition into a single whole, lending the work a hallmark of exclusivity and collector value.

COMMISSION

PRIVATE COLLECTION

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- **The Intersection of Personal Story and Artistic Vision:** An example of commissioned work that transforms a client's specific wishes into a unique work of art while maintaining the artist's distinct signature style.
 - **Nobility in Canine Form:** A portrait of a bulldog conceived with the reverence and majesty usually reserved for historical monarchs, giving the family pet an immortal character.
 - **Symbolism of Royal Care:** A detailed crown and an ermine cloak against a deep red background underscore the exceptional status of the animal in its owner's life.





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