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LEAH MARIANI
Cut From the Same Cloth



In her latest body of work Leah Mariani explores the link between fashion and identity.

While it is well established that what we wear portrays a message about how we are Mariani considers how what we wear tells a story about who we love.

It is not uncommon for couples, close friends or siblings to dress alike. Whether done consciously or subconsciously, it shows that our choices about what we wear are influenced by our significant relationships.

Not surprisingly, the subjects of this series are mostly couples and siblings. The subjects often look alike and whilst they may not be dressed identically, their clothing is replaced by flat areas of matching pattern, irrevocably connecting them. Her compositions are influenced by early portrait photographers, such as August Sander.

Mariani is an award winning Melbourne based artist, producing prints, paintings, and mixed media. She won the 2013 Yen Magazine Art Prize and was shortlisted for the Agendo Award. Mariani was identified as an emerging artist by Toyota and has been selected as a finalist for the 2014, 2013 and 2012 Lethbridge 10000 Small-Scale Art Prize in Brisbane. In 2011, she was selected as a finalist for the prestigious Metro Art Award and the Box Hill Community Arts Centre Biennial Art Competition. Her painting won best oil painting at the 2011 Albert Park Collage Art Show.

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58 Twice As Nice	2013	oil on cotton fabric	41x31cm		\$300
59 Market Day	2013	oil on cotton fabric	41x31cm		\$300
60 Beach Bums	2013	oil on cotton fabric	41x31cm		\$350
61 Thick as Thieves	2012	oil on cotton fabric	41x31cm		\$350
62 Stand By Me	2013	oil on cotton fabric and canvas	61x76cm		\$650
63 Sleeping Beauty	2013	oil on cotton fabric and canvas	61x92cm		\$950
64 Red Icy Poles	2013	oil on cotton fabric and canvas	92x76cm		\$950
65 Forever Young	2014	oil on cotton fabric and canvas	61x76cm		\$650
66 Pool Side	2013	oil on cotton fabric and canvas	61x46cm		\$550
67 Endless Summer	2013	oil on cotton fabric and canvas	61x92cm		\$650
68 The Cocktail Hour	2014	lino print on japon paper	40x50cm	A/P	\$200 unframed \$260 framed
69 Sander Girls	2013	pencil and paper	40x30cm		\$90 unframed \$150 framed
70 Two Of A Kind	2013	pencil and paper	40x30cm		\$90 unframed \$150 framed
71 Little Dancers	2014	lino print on japon paper	40x30cm	1/10	\$175 unframed \$240 framed
72 Beach Bums	2014	lino print on japon paper	40x30cm	1/6	\$175 unframed \$240 framed
73 Double Trouble	2014	lino print on japon paper	40x30cm	1/6	\$175 unframed \$240 framed
74 Little Princes	2014	lino print on japon paper	40x30cm	1/10	\$175 unframed \$240 framed
75 Superheros In Training	2014	lino print on japon paper	40x30cm	1/6	\$175 unframed \$240 framed
76 Cowboys And Indians	2014	lino print on japon paper	40x30cm	1/6	\$175 unframed \$240 framed
77 Royalty	2014	lino print on japon paper	40x30cm	1/6	\$175 unframed \$240 framed