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## **Press Release**

The Eight & Ten Society

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Title: The Eight & Ten Society Presents *Beauty is Truth*. A New Online Art Exhibition.  
Inspired by the works of the Romantic Poets and Philosophers.

The Eight & Ten Society is proud to announce the launch of an online art exhibition, *Beauty is Truth*. This captivating exhibition features a range of newly commissioned artworks inspired by the enduring words of Romantic poet John Keats and his contemporaries. With an online opening scheduled for 6 June 2024, the exhibition explores the profound connection between beauty, truth, and the human experience as echoed through the words of the Romantic movement.

Inspired by the philosophical musings of Immanuel Kant and the lyrical poetry of Keats, particularly his immortal lines from *Ode on a Grecian Urn*, "Beauty is truth, truth beauty, — that is all / Ye know on earth, and all ye need to know," this exhibition delves into the universal appeal and intrinsic value of beauty. Kant's assertion that "Beautiful is what, without a concept, is liked universally" frames the thematic approach taken by the artists in their creative process.

In late 2023, The Eight and Ten Society embarked on a collaborative journey with several distinguished artists, encouraging them to reflect on the Romantic ideals of the 18th century. Each artist engaged deeply with quotes from seminal figures such as Friedrich Schiller, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, and Lord Byron, culminating in a body of work that is both a tribute and a personal response to the challenge of encapsulating Romanticism in contemporary art.

The online format of *Beauty is Truth* allows viewers from around the globe to experience the unique interpretations of each artist, who through their diverse mediums express their individual understanding of the linkage between beauty and truth. The exhibition promises not only to be a visual feast but also an intellectual exploration of how these age-old concepts resonate in today's world.

Join us online to celebrate this artistic endeavor, where each piece invites contemplation and offers insight into the universal and enduring relevance of Romantic thought. The exhibition is accessible from 6 June 2024 until 31 August 2024 at [8and10society.com](http://8and10society.com) and is free for all visitors.

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The Eight and Ten Society is excited to share this journey through beauty and truth, affirming Keats's belief that art is not just an expression, but a revelation of the eternal.

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Artists:

**Lisa Ledson:**

Lisa Ledson is an accomplished artist whose dynamic approach to mixed media and abstract art has captivated audiences globally. With a bold palette and intricate textures, her work explores the complexities of human emotions and the subtle narratives of our environment. Lisa's art has been featured in numerous exhibitions and has found a home in both private and public collections. Committed to the fusion of art and community, helping

to impart her passion and knowledge to aspiring artists. Lisa continues to push the boundaries of her medium, creating pieces that are not only visually striking but also deeply introspective.

### **Coleman Charters:**

Phoenix native Coleman Charters is a contemporary collage artist whose work embodies the spirit of the American West. Drawing inspiration from traditional western themes, including cowboys, shootouts, and horses, Coleman's art reflects his lifelong fascination with his regional heritage. His unique approach involves crafting engaging collages, blending functional design with artistic expression. Despite his self-professed journey in mastering the art vernacular, Coleman's passion and distinctive style speak volumes, connecting with audiences who share an affinity for western culture and contemporary art.

### **Olivia Juul:**

Olivia Juul is a Copenhagen-based emerging artist renowned for her captivating abstract acrylic pour paintings. A self-taught talent, Olivia thrives on the autonomy of her artistic expression, embracing a philosophy that resists conventional categorization. Her work, characterized by its fluidity and intricate patterns, showcases her mastery in manipulating acrylics to depict the spontaneity and emotion inherent in the medium.

Olivia's artistic creations draw inspiration from the organic allure of nature and the complex layers of human emotions, crafting visuals that are not just seen but deeply felt. Each piece invites viewers into a vivid abstract universe, where each stroke and color blend creates a unique narrative of introspection and connection.

Balancing her artistic pursuits with academic studies at Copenhagen Business School, Olivia embodies a commitment to exploring diverse passions and the beauty of limitless expression. Her distinctive technique and explorative approach make her a standout voice in the contemporary art scene, promising a rich, evolving journey ahead.

### **Laura Esposito:**

Laura Esposito is a contemporary artist renowned for her evocative works and vibrant use of color. Her artwork is a celebration of the natural world, capturing the fleeting moments

of beauty found in everyday scenes. Laura's distinctive style blends realism with elements of impressionism, creating a sense of movement and emotion that resonates with viewers. Her work is prominently featured in both national and international exhibitions, and has garnered a dedicated following on social media, where she shares her artistic process and the inspirations behind her pieces. An advocate for emotional awareness through art, Laura continuously explores new techniques and themes to reflect her commitment to art's power in fostering change.

**About The Eight & Ten Society:**

The Eight & Ten Society is dedicated to fostering appreciation and understanding of art influenced by historical and philosophical themes. Through exhibitions, workshops, and public programs, we aim to engage the community and encourage deep, personal connections with art.