

MICHAEL KELLY

The World of Interiors

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“The interiors in this exhibition are based on drawings I have done over the years while visiting art museums and other cultural institutions in Europe. It has long been a habit of mine, since my first trip overseas in 1989, to draw from paintings and sculptures in these institutions.

More recently I have drawn the spaces they occupy as well. Whilst the idea for these works may originate from a certain place I visited, they invariably change to include or exclude other elements depending on the dictates of the work itself. They are not literal translations of a certain place and often take on encounters I have had and their influences on my personal history. By the time I stop work on a painting, they are usually far removed from the original idea. They are more about space and atmosphere, light and dark, reality and artifice and the inner and outer worlds. Doorways, windows and corridors are portals we travel through between these worlds. The paintings reflect on art, myth and history. There are paintings within paintings, sometimes literally, and sometimes as a landscape through a window or sometimes as fragments.”

The Corridor	oil on linen	102 x 138cm	\$7,700
The Lost Dog in the Hall of Oranges	oil on linen	102 x 138cm	\$7,700
The Idle Hour	oil on linen	102 x 138cm	\$7,700
Afternoon Light	oil on linen	71 x 92cm	\$5,500
Bacchus in the North	oil on linen	92 x 71cm	\$ 5,500
Outside the Sorolla Exhibition	oil on canvas	71 x 92cm	\$5,500
The Empty Theatre	oil on linen	76 x 103cm	\$5,500
The Back Gallery	oil on linen	53 x 80cm	\$4,200
Study for ‘The Lost Dog in the Hall of Oranges’	oil on linen	23 x 30cm	\$1,200
Study for ‘Bacchus in the North’	mixed media on paper	35 x 26cm / framed 45 x 40cm	\$990
Study for ‘The Corridor’	mixed media on paper	28 x 19cm / framed 43 x 33cm	\$990
Study for ‘The Discobolus’	mixed media on paper	28 x 19cm / framed 43 x 33cm	\$990
Study for ‘The Lost Dog’	mixed media on paper	27 x 19cm / framed 42 x 34cm	\$990
Study for ‘Doorway in Naples’	mixed media on paper	27 x 18cm / framed 42 x 32cm	\$990
Study for ‘Outside the Sorolla Exhibition’	mixed media on paper	24 x 29cm / framed 39 x 43cm	\$990