

Spectra

Dina Bogusonova | Alexander Lufer
25 July - 06 September



Erarta Galleries London is pleased to present *Spectra*, the fourth exhibition in our program for the year of Russian-British cultural exchange 2014. The exhibition fuses the work of two of Russia's celebrated artists Dina Bogusonova and Alexander Lufer who explore the changeable, yet predictable nature of light and its interaction with the world to which it gives new life.

A spectrum describes a specific set of values that can vary infinitely within a measurement. However, within a spectrum there are naturally extremes. *Spectra* showcases the spectrum of artistic interpretation from these two artists, from abstraction through to photorealism.

Dina Bogusonova's work shows clear reverence to light's unique refractive qualities and its harmonious relationship with time and material. Bogusonova's work focuses on the grand expanse of the sky and beyond; her *Red Series* of three dazzling sunsets immediately call to mind summer's kaleidoscopic colour pallet, filtering hues of rich pinks and hazy orange tones. These beautiful refractive qualities luxuriate in the freedom of colour, which are never quite the same every time, yet are universal and eternal.

Alexander Lufer's painting technique shows a devotion to the precise, almost mathematical quality of light. Most notably appreciated in his painting *Dreamer*, Lufer creates an image of such precision that tricks the eye. Manipulating the paint, he is able to show reflection, glare and shadow effortlessly giving exacting perspective to the artwork. His works pay homage to the beauty of reflection and symmetry, valued by the ancient Egyptians as a mark of absolute perfection.

Both Dina Bogusonova and Alexander Lufer excel in capturing dreamlike moments frozen in time and space, using light as inspiration to create beautifully natural artwork. Focussing on reflection and refraction, these two artists create pieces that show devoted attention to detail and veneration of colour, image and perspective.



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Dreamer, 2012
Oil on canvas, 110 x 100cm