

40 must-see shows at Edinburgh Festival 2024: the critics' choice

The most exciting events to see on the Fringe, in the International Festival and at the Art Festival — from Nish Kumar and Hannah Gadsby to Nicola Benedetti and grand opera

Visual art by Laura Freeman



Cherry Blossom Branches by Hayley Barker, 2024

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Hayley Barker

The Los Angeles-based artist paints richly detailed, rather dreamy gardenscapes, still lifes and interiors. She can transform even the repotting of a spider plant into a scene of precarious poignancy. Catch her first European exhibition at Edinburgh's elegant gallery.

Ingleby Gallery (inglebygallery.com), Jun 15-Aug 31