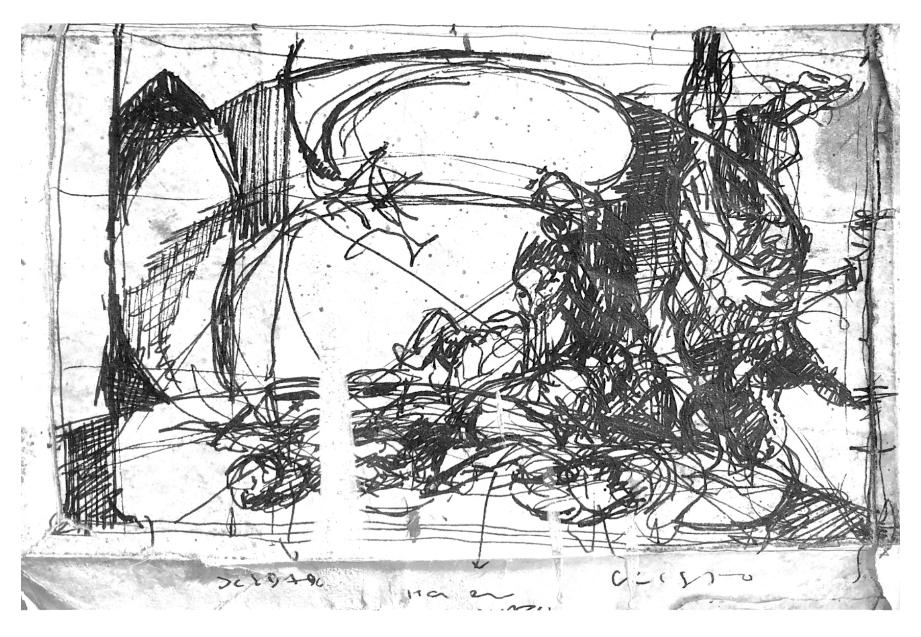
# **GUILHERME SOTA**

# **PORTFOLIO**





Multidisciplinary artist and co-founder of the hybrid art collective Vertigo, Guilherme Sota searches, mainly through painting, a way to convey his concerns and confrontations with themes such as the body, sexuality and the human condition. These interests arise from an understanding of an increasingly abstract and codified post-modernity and the threat of an ever more present post-humanism in society. Sota focuses on these concepts, mainly using self-representation as tool to develop his work, and exploring the flesh as a somatic symbol contrary to the current paradigm.

Inspired by a raw and immediate aesthetic, and influenced by the thinking of Bataille, Deleuze and Heidegger, Sota, currently also through instalation art and sound objects, seeks to create a sensory universe that encompasses the issue of mortality in relation to the growing post-humanism of today's society, as well as exploring a possible relationship between the flesh and the metaphysical and ontological dimension of being.

#### Education

\_Fine Arts - Painting degree at Faculdade de Belas-Artes da Universidade do Porto (FBAUP), (2019-2023)

#### Solo Exhibitions:

- "A Destilação da Carne" at ICBAS's Foyer, Porto (2023)
- "SENTAE" at Plano B, Porto (2022)
- Solo Exhibition at Duas de Letra, Porto (2021)

### Group Exhibitions:

- "Vertigo" at Casa da Madeira, Coimbra (2024)
- \_"Exposição Concurso Aveiro Jovem Criador 2024", Museum Santa Joana, Aveiro (2024)
  - "Delíquio" by Vertigo, at Mercado Negro, Aveiro (2023)
  - "Volto Já" at oMuseu gallery in FBAUP, Porto (2023)
  - "As fotografias e o resto" at oMuseu gallery in FBAUP, Porto (2023)
- \_"Exposição Concurso Aveiro Jovem Criador 2023", Museum Santa Joana, Aveiro (2023)
- \_"Exposição Concurso Aveiro Jovem Criador 2022", Museum Santa Joana, Aveiro (2022)
  - \_"FBAUP Calling: Emergir", AL859 gallery, Porto (2021)
- \_"Exposição Concurso Aveiro Jovem Criador 2021", Museum Santa Joana, Aveiro (2021)
  - \_"Bradar às Flores", AL859 gallery, Porto (2021)
  - "Do Avesso", AL859 gallery, Porto (2020)

#### Awards:

- \_Author's Honorable Mention in the contest "Jovem Criador 2024", Aveiro, (2024)
  - Artist Selected FBAUP Calling: Emergir (2021)
- \_Author's Honorable Mention in the contest "Jovem Criador 2021", Aveiro, (2021)

#### **Publications:**

\_Participation in the art publication "[up]arte 5" (2021)
Participation in two issues of ICBAS's magazine "Corino"

#### **Event Productions**

- Set design and lighting for "ACIDA L.O.V.E.", Porto (2024)
- "Vertigo" at Casa da Madeira, Coimbra (may, 2024)
- "Vertigo" at Casa da Madeira, Coimbra (april, 2024)
- \_"Vertigo 22-12" at Mercado Negro, Aveiro (2023)
- \_"Vertigo 25-11" at Mercado Negro, Aveiro (2023)
- \_"Delíquio"collective exhibition at Mercado Negro, Aveiro (2023)
- \_"Baco" at R. da Galeria de Paris, Porto (2022)
- "Equinox" at R. da Galeria de Paris, Porto (2022)

## Djing

- \_"Sarilho" at Maus Hábitos, Porto (2024)
- "Festival Apura" at República da Praça, Coimbra (2024)
- "Vertigo" at Casa da Madeira, Coimbra (april, 2024)
- "Vertigo 22-12" at Mercado Negro, Aveiro (2023)
- \_"Vertigo 25-11" at Mercado Negro, Aveiro (2023)
- \_"Toga" at Real República dos L.Y.S.O.S., Porto (2023)
- \_"Juicy" at Plano B, Porto (2022)

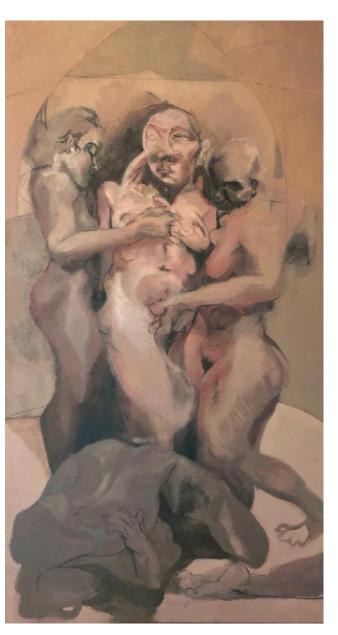
#### Additional work:

\_Graphic design and video work for Vertigo (2020-)

### Selected work

Composition at Aourir's Cord 2024
Venus in Ruins 2024
Aourir's Cord 2024
The Way of All Flesh 2023
Woman with Bull's Head 2023
Study for a Slaughtered Pig 2023
Figure with a baby 2023
Dying Bull 2023
Venus of Monruz 2023
Entre as Unhas 2023
Slaughtered Ox, after Rembrandt 2022
Three Studies for a Self Portrait 2022
Fetus n.1 2022
The Consumation of Hunger 2022







Composition at Aourir's Cord (tryptic) 2024 Oil on wood, 57x150cm Oil on wood, 87x150cm Oil on wood, 57x150cm



**Venus in Ruins** 2024 Oil on wood, 40cmx80cm



























Zine: 15 pgs, Munken 150gr 14cmx20cm (14cmx300cm open)





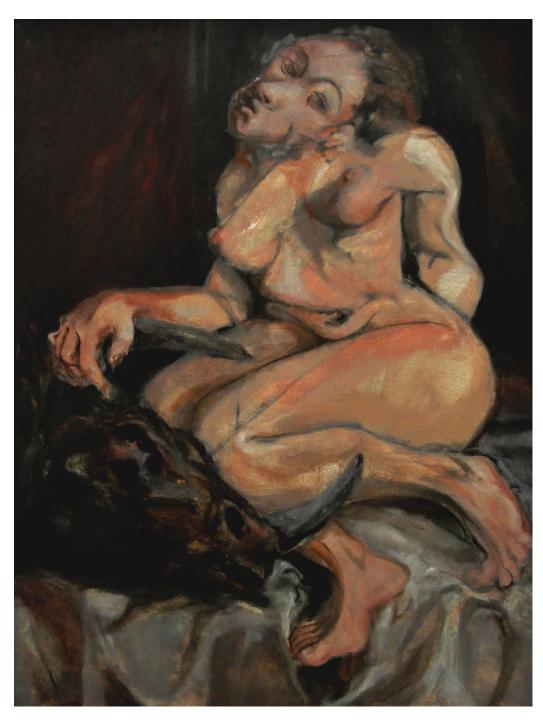


The Way of All Flesh 2023 Installation

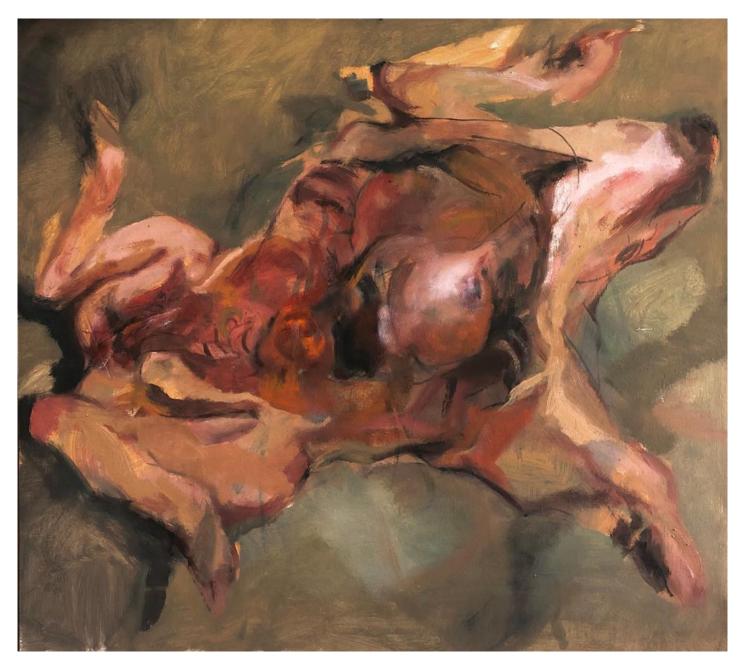
The Way of All Flesh arises as a plane where the metaphysical and spiritual dimension intersects with the physical and carnal dimension. A place where the finitude of being is taken into account and the role of mortality in post-modernity is repositioned; and where flesh is explored as a somatic element, a symbolic inhibitor of contemporary post-humanism.



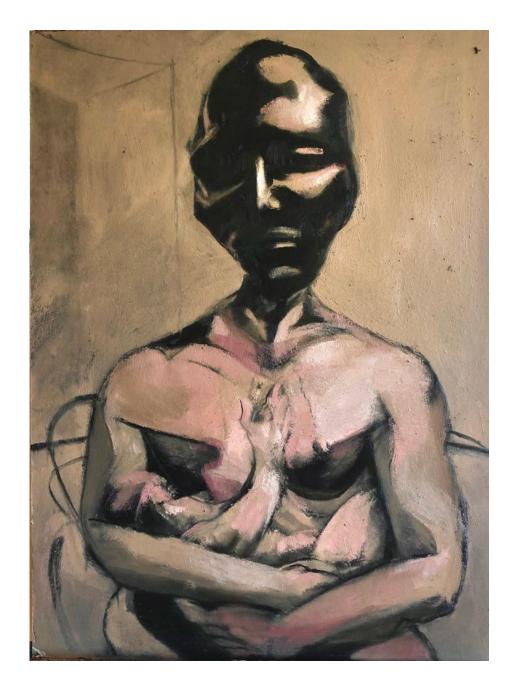
Visions of the Creation 2023 Oil on wood, 240cm400cm Painting form the installation **The Way of All Flesh** 2023



**Woman with Bull's Head** 2023 Oil on wood, 125cmx85cm



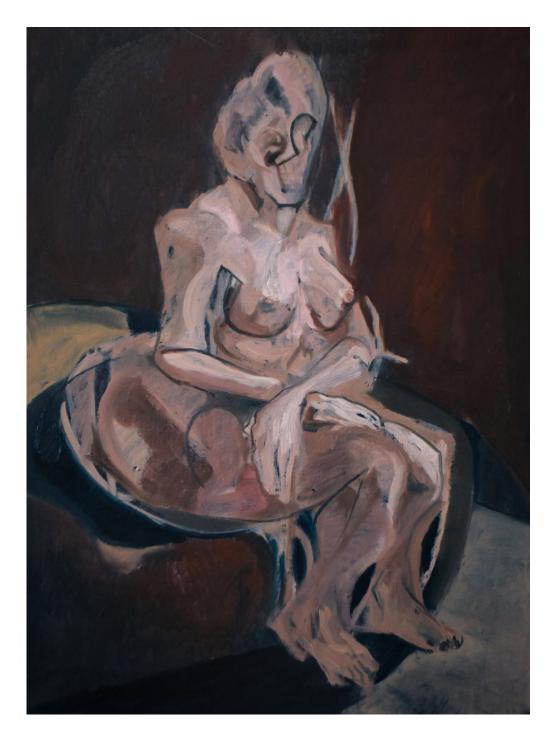
**Study for a Slaughtered Pig** 2023 Oil on wood, 65cmx85cm



**Figure with a baby** 2023 Oil on wood, 60cmx40cm



**Dying Bull** 2023 Oil on wood, 40cmx60cm



**Venus of Monruz** 2023 Oil on wood, 40cmx60cm









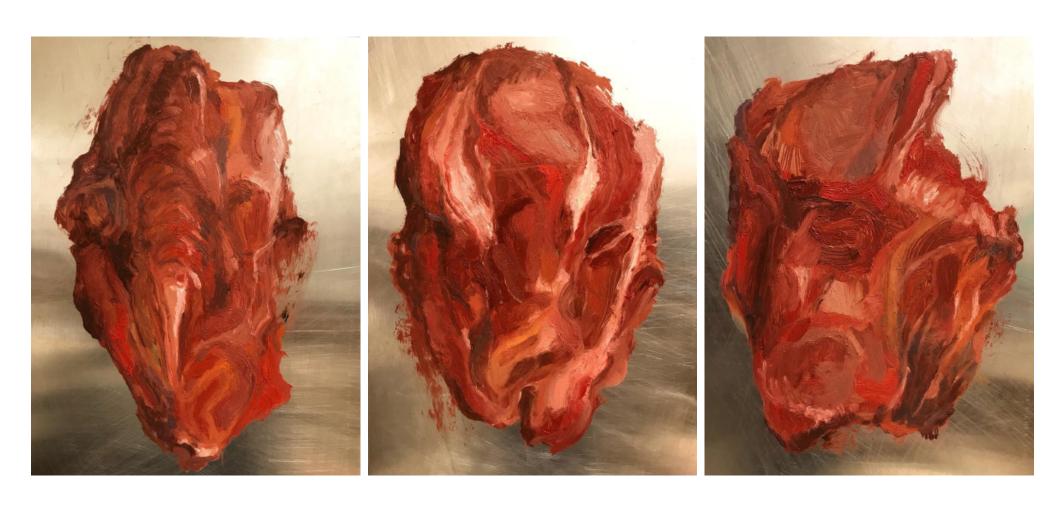
**Entre as Unhas** (Between the fingernails) 2023 60 pages book, printed in 135gr Couché paper, with a 0.6mm metal cover.

Based on interviews with butchers in the parish of Bonfim, Porto, Entre as Unhas seeks to delve into the relationship developed between the butcher and the meat, and understand how such contact can displace a sense of mortality. Meat and Men are explored in their intimacy and equality; in a tender confrontation, the body and the post-body recognize themselves in their fragility. And from such encounter remains the inevitable mark of finitude, stuck between the fingernails.





**Slaughtered Ox, after Rembrandt** (diptych) 2022 Oil on wood, 27cmx97cm; 30cmx101cm



**Three Studies for a SelfPortrait** (triptych) 2022 Oil on metal, 33cmx46cm each



Fetus n.1 2022 Oil on wood, 47cmx90cm



**The Consumation of Hunger** 2022 Oil on Canvas, 142cmx95cm



Five Studies for a Relfexion or Chair de Chien (VIII-XII) 2022 Oil on canvas 50cmx70cm each.

Each painting has a mechanical system mounted in the back, creating a pulsing movement in the front.



**Éternelle Idole, after Rodin** 2023 Oil on wood, 40cmx60cm