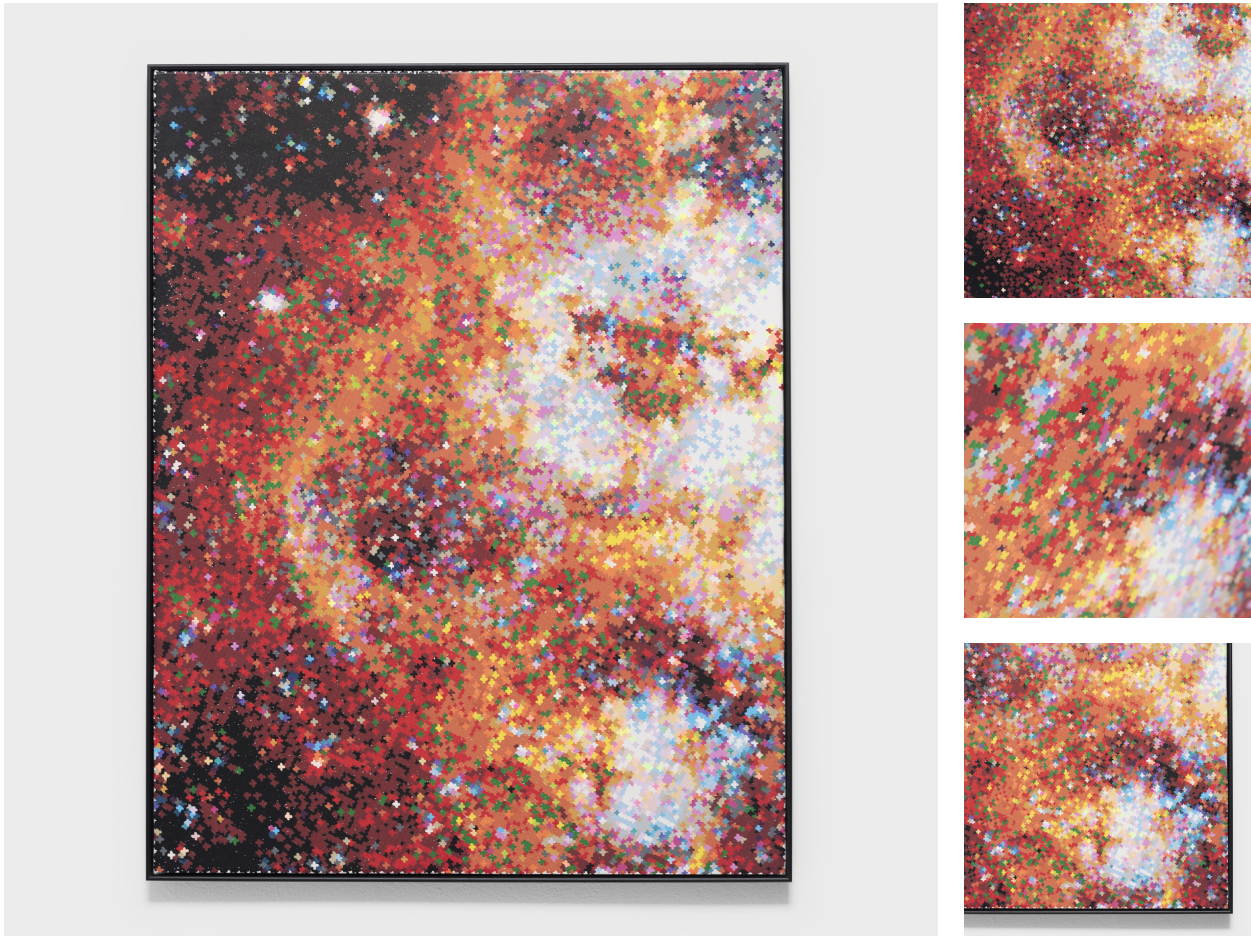

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"STUDY FOR TARANTULA NEBULA" BY JAN PIETER FOKKENS

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W: 22.5" D: 1.0" H: 28.5"

The colorful paintings of Jan Pieter Fokkens transport us to distant worlds beyond our comprehension. Within seemingly infinite networks of lines, dots, and crosses, he decodes the recognizable to create something unfamiliar.

Each work begins with a colorized photo captured by a deep-space telescope. With the aid of custom algorithms, Fokkens manipulates the "fake pixels" of these images, isolating qualities of pattern and color. He then hand-paints these abstracted qualities in his unique pointillist style, reconstructing the sense of longing and wonder one feels when they look out at the stars. Continued...



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Entitled "Study for Tarantula Nebula," this painting explores the gigantic star-forming region of the same name. Located in the Large Magellanic Cloud, nearly 160,000 light years from earth, it's the birthplace of an astonishing number of massive stars, some roughly 100 times the mass of the Sun.

Framed. Acrylic on canvas.



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