

"PALOMAR 6" BY JAN PIETER FOKKENS

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2021 • United States • Acrylic on Canvas • Collection #CJPF039 W: 24.0" D: 1.75" H: 18.0"

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 on canvas 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 "Palomar 6," this painting depicts the spherical star cluster by the same name, located 18,900 light-years from Earth within the constellation Ophiuchus.

Acrylic on canvas. Framed.