

# NANCY TOOMEY *Fine Art*

## ANDY HARPER

Rendered with extreme detail and an ineffable sense of both reality and the fantastical, Harper's works are arenas for discovery and camouflage. The visual lexicon – flashes of light from unidentified sources, the enumerable vegetal forms entwined with limbs of human anatomy, and the wan ivory vertebrae – marks the exuberance of growth as well as its inevitable companion, death and decay. It is a world known and imagined, familiar yet suspenseful, for it is the very progress of life that flourishes before our eyes.

Andy Harper was born in the United Kingdom in 1971. He received his BA from Brighton Polytechnic in 1993, a Master's Degree in Fine Art from the Royal College of Art in 1995, and an additional Master's Degree in Visual Culture from Middlesex University in 1999. Harper lives in Cornwall and has exhibited extensively throughout Europe, including two solo exhibitions in 2011 at the Page Gallery, Seoul, Korea and at Morgen Contemporary in Berlin, Germany.