

## **EARTH GRID 4**

Dedicated to earthquake struck Christchurch  
Acrylic on canvas, 70x70cm, 2010 – 2011

Already on 3 September 2010 Christchurch got shaken by a 7.1 magnitude earthquake, which caused damage in the city, but luckily did not claim any lives.

Then on 22 February 2011 a 6.3 quake struck in the middle of the day destroying much of the city and killing 185 people.

This painting of mine - Earth Grid 4 - is a humble contribution to console the pain that this disaster caused. It aims to send energy, structure, strength and consolation to the city and its entire people.

New form and patterns flowing strongly from all 4 corners of the painting into the centre, helping and supporting new ideas for the rebuild and mainly giving strength to people, warmth and even joy in these challenging times. Through the many colours and lines overlaying, overlapping, it creates inner power and innovative ideas, light and love, compassion and joy, filled with life and new hope for a colourful, new city, new peace and stillness within the town and the people.

With love and compassion

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