YOURS TRULY

Doug
When I started work on this collection, I had no fixed idea of a theme or motif. I wished to create a series of compositions that would encapsulate everything that is important to me both personally and artistically, but I was determined to let my imagination take over and see where it led me. As I thought and sketched and thought again, I found myself revisiting some of the memories that I have held most dear over the years. Taking such a relaxed approach to the subject of each piece has been a liberating experience for me, and I believe that I have created some of the most authentic and emotionally charged work of my life.
Although I am always happy to discuss my work, in other ways I am a man of few words, and when I sign off I tend to use only my initial. But when the message is for someone I love, I always combine it with a kiss. I have chosen to use this intimate version of my signature for “Yours Truly”, as a gesture of my very real appreciation not only of my family and friends, but also of the loyal collectors who have supported me over the last few years.

SWEET DREAMS

These are always the last words that Suzi or I say to the children when we tuck them in at night and it was what my mother used to say to me. This image is my personal version of a lullaby to encourage the sweetest of dreams.

‘Goodnight, sweet dreams’
Loves ups and downs... the thrills and spills of giving your heart and soul as best friends embarking on the trip of a lifetime.

‘Enjoy the Journey’
When I first saw Suzi I knew that she was the one. I was tongue-tied and shy and remember the sense of my heart racing as I tried to think of something to say to her. Just a few short months later we were engaged to be married – both of our hearts had raced away ahead of our sensible selves; should we wait a while and take things more slowly? I’m delighted to say that, as usual, our hearts won out over our heads.

‘Give in to your heart’
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Anyone who has ever been in love will be familiar with the ups and downs that accompany this most fickle of emotions. For us though, whether we are on a high or a low, we are still holding tight to each other and doing our best to weather any storm together.

‘These two images are my personal tribute to the enduring quality of love’.
One day we were out in the countryside enjoying one of the few sunny afternoons of the year. The children were playing in the grass and suddenly my daughter Eliza came running over with a daisy she’d picked. The baby was asleep in her pushchair and Eliza leaned over and laid the flower on her cheek.

‘Give your heart to the one you love, Truly, Madly, and Deeply’
A GREAT NIGHT IN

The 21st century world is a busy one, and our lives are crammed with incident. Whether it’s work, travel, fun, or excitement there is generally something going on. For Suzi and me those evenings at home when the children are asleep and the house is peaceful are our opportunity to reflect together on the events of the day, and simply to enjoy each other’s company.

‘Give each other a little time’
Gracie is a cat with character; she has infiltrated every area of our lives and our children now behave as if her status is that of a favoured child. When she was a tiny kitten they used to beg us to take her out with us whenever we went on a day trip anywhere, and it was this that led me to create The Adventurers I.

This is a happy and affectionate memory from my own boyhood. Every Sunday I accompanied my father when he went to play rugby; he always carried his kit in a battered brown leather bag which became inextricably inked with him in my mind. The small dog looking contentedly out of the top is, of course, my childhood self.
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