

# Payne Shurvell

## Ana Milenkovic: Selected Paintings

Presented by PayneShurvell at 71 Blandford Street, London W1

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Private view: Wednesday 6 April 6-8pm

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PayneShurvell is pleased to announce Ana Milenkovic's first London solo paintings show at 71 Blandford St, London W1.

Milenkovic works across a wide range of media to create art that evokes surprising, provoking and multi-layered meanings. In the open-ended scenes and narratives of her paintings, objects lose their integrity and turn into containers for encoded thoughts and symbols. Milenkovic combines randomly collected photographic collages to reveal their visual and emblematic character. In this show, these delicate paintings are the result of an extensive collection of these photographic images and an elaborate series of sketches.



Sometimes chaotic and at other times delicately and elegantly constructed, her compositions serve as a meeting point where associations interact, sending the viewer through a variety of moods – nostalgic, comical, sublime, disturbing or grotesque. She uses the same motifs in more than just one composition, questioning the communication mechanisms and aesthetic conventions that influence our understanding of reality.

Process and play are an important part of Milenkovic's practice. Her latest works are a continuation of these exciting ideas.

Ana Milenkovic was born in 1988 in Belgrade and lives and works in London. A recipient of the CliffordChance/University of the Arts Sculpture award in 2015, Milenkovic's recent exhibitions include *If It Bends It's Funny/If It Breaks It's Not Funny* at Bosse & Baum and *Demimonde* at Amberwood House.

James Payne and Joanne Shurvell opened PayneShurvell gallery in London's Shoreditch in June 2010. Since January 2014, their exhibitions have been in a variety of London locations. They have been showing international artists at 71 Blandford Street in collaboration with Carousel London since April 2015. For images and/or more information about Ana Milenkovic, please contact Joanne Shurvell ([jo@payneshurvell.com](mailto:jo@payneshurvell.com)) +44(0)7977996568.