

## **Artists Statement - Mary Louise Coulouris**

**I feel I have something to say that is different from all the many tendencies that are around in the cultural world.**

**I would like to show in my work that there is still a lot of life in the European humanist, tradition in art and culture.**

**I find myself at home in Europe because I feel there is a lot to say in painting and in figurative painting in particular.**

**So I am not very enthusiastic about Post- Modernist ideas which reject painting as well as Modernism. I suppose I am a Post-Post-Modernist!**

**I am enthusiastic about people and what they achieve every day and what they have the potential to achieve.**

**People figure strongly in my work, as they did in the European tradition, from Mantegna to Leger.**

**Drawing is endemic to my work; I often do quick drawings from life.**

**Colour is essential to my way of working, as it communicates the emotional impact I want to achieve.**

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