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## Museum London Presents Artist Billy Bert Young's Newest Solo Exhibition, *Cloudburst*



Image: Billy Bert Young, *What Goes Up...* (detail), 2021, acrylic on wood panel, 122 x 91.4 cm, Collection of the Artist. Photo Credit: Brad Turner

**London, ON — August 25, 2025** — Museum London is proud to present *Billy Bert Young: Cloudburst*, a vibrant solo exhibition featuring new paintings by London-based artist Billy Bert Young. *Cloudburst* marks an exciting evolution in Young's artistic practice, embracing bold colour, sculptural form, and theatrical composition.

For over fifteen years, Young has been a dynamic presence in London's art community, best known for his intricate monochromatic ink drawings filled with comic book creatures, dense patterns, and playful text. With *Cloudburst*, Young shifts his creative approach, drawing inspiration from nostalgia through advertisements, movie posters, children's books, and historical prints. The result is a series

of layered, dreamlike paintings that invite viewers into a carnivalesque world that feels both familiar and fantastical.

*“Cloudburst* represents a new chapter for me,” said artist Billy Bert Young. “It’s an opportunity to explore a different approach from my detailed ink drawings and dive into a world where colour, form, and storytelling intertwine. These paintings are like visual daydreams inspired by the ephemera I grew up with, images that still live vividly in my mind. The aim is to create a space where viewers can lose themselves in the layers and find their own meanings.”

Each piece is a visual puzzle, brimming with symbolism and surreal titles that encourage personal interpretation and imagination. Young’s process is deeply rooted in avid sketching and collecting, revitalizing magazine snippets, artist publications, and vintage ads into contemporary storytelling through paint.

“Billy has kept his well-known snakes-and-ladders approach,” said Museum London’s Curator of Art, Cassandra Getty. “Now, however, he gives us a tour-de-force of colour, painting techniques, and elements that are both highly realistic and abstract.”

*Billy Bert Young: Cloudburst* will open this Saturday, August 30 in Museum London’s second floor Interior Gallery and will run until February 15, 2026. Meet the artist and learn from his techniques at Museum London’s upcoming workshop, *Paper Jam: Collage and Records*, on September 11, 2025. Participants will have the chance to create collages using a variety of vintage magazine materials. All materials are provided. This event is presented in partnership with Grooves Records, offering a unique experience where curated music and artmaking collide. Space is limited, secure your spot [online!](#)

### **About the Artist**

Billy Bert Young graduated from H.B. Beal Secondary School in 2002 and attended the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design. His versatile practice spans drawing, design, zines, found objects, and murals.

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