### BREAKING STEREOTYPES, BUILDING NEW PERCEPTIONS





MELCOME begin

- Please be mindful of others when speaking
- Keep your microphone off until the Q&A
- Be respectful
- Have a good time!

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- Passionate photographer
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# SEMINAR SCHEDULE

- 30.09.2021: The art industry and market part 1
- 07.10.2021: What do the art industry and tech have in common
- 14.10.2021: Art industry from a business perspective
- 21.10.2021: How to stay consistent and build your brand
- 28.10.2021: How to build a kick-ass portfolio
- 04.10.2021: Advice and recommendations for artists, working across borders, and how diversity can be a key to success
- 11.11.2021: How to reach your audience
- 18.11.2021: Social media strategies
- 25.11.2021: Building partnerships with galleries
- 02.12.2021: Building partnerships with galleries for collections
- 09.12.2021: HOW TO BUILD AND MAINTAIN RELATIONSHIPS WITH YOUR CLIENTS
- 16.12.2021: Career and experiences, mistakes to avoid, and how to deal with negative feedback



How to build and maintain a relationship with your clients

- Introduction to building relationships with clients
- Tricks to maintain relationships
- 2 skills you need to develop to get the most out of your clients





How to build and maintain a relationship with your clients

- Although there have been many developments over time, developing a relationship is still the most important.
- Developing a mutually beneficial relationship with your clients is the best method for success







Appreciate the relationships you have

# PARTNERSHIPS you need to know?

Treat your clients equally!

- If you wish to establish trust, you have to keep a positive image
- Pay attention to all clients equally and treat them the same
- Don't sort out your focuses and feel that others are more important
- Be sure to give everyone fair and equal treatment
- In the long run, it will pay off

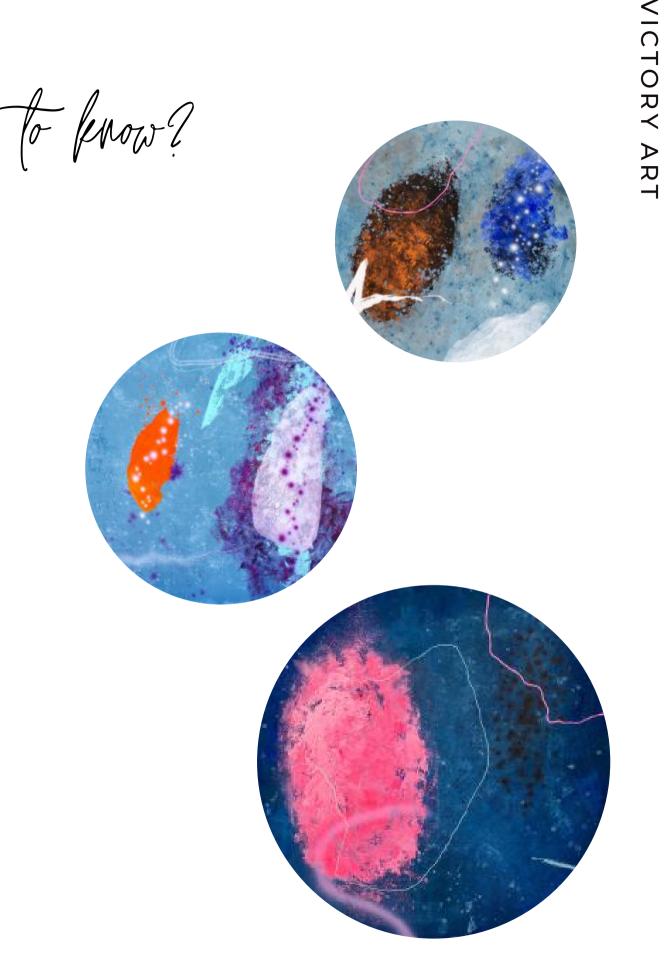




# PARTNERSHIPS you need to know?

YOU have to make the first move

- Clients will not just show up
- Communicate and be open about your art and styles
- Make sure to leave a good impression at public gatherings
- Don't be afraid to make the first move, that person might end up being your next regular





The relationship needs to be mutual

- Clearly communicate with your clients on all details.
- Make sure both parties are aware of the outcome of the collaboration
- Express any concerns or suggestions you have
- Make sure to take their opinions into consideration and respond in a polite manner
- Keep the relationship professional and respectful











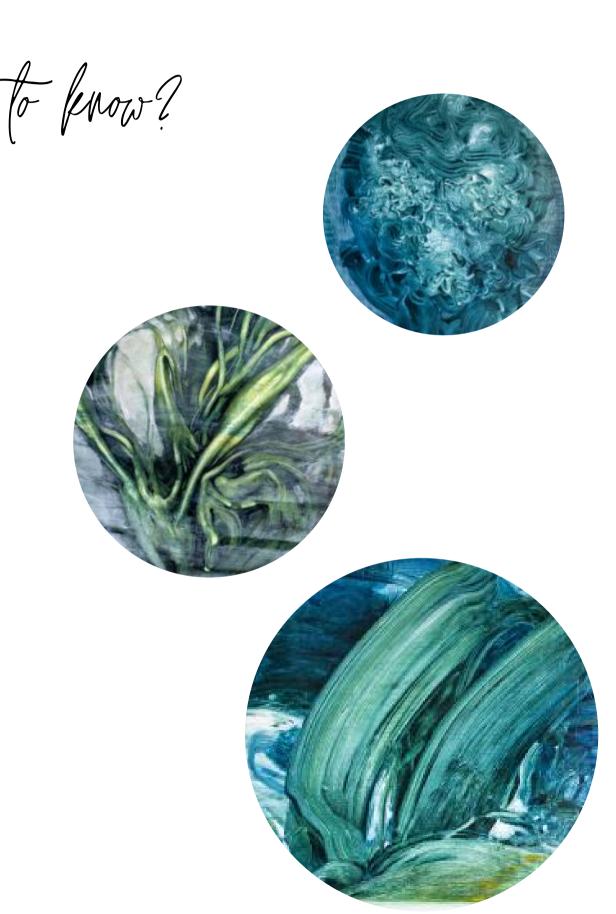


Don't forget about the real world



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- Have business cards and photographs of your art with you at all times
- Make sure you're always prepared, you never know when a potential client might appear





Develop your relationships, take it one step further!

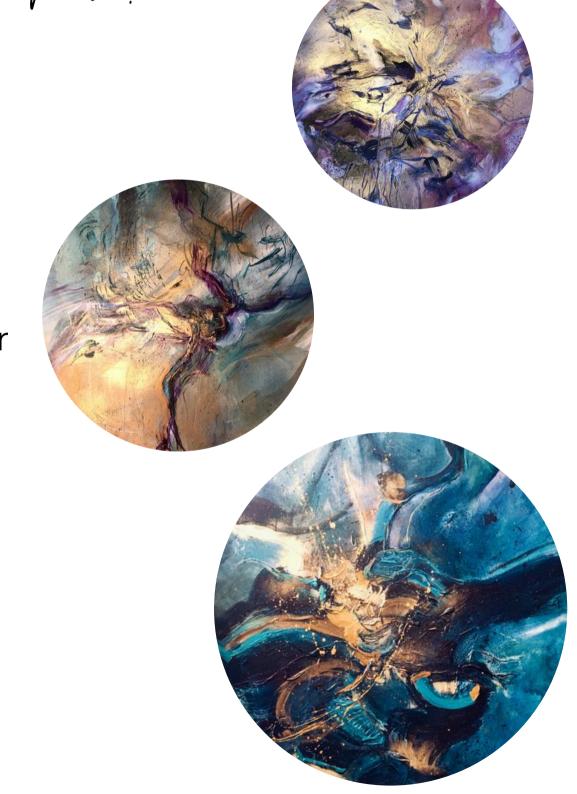
- Everyone has to start somewhere
- Building relationships is hard work but will be worth it
- Requieres careful decision making and interactive communication between both parties





Develop your relationships, take it one step further!

- Attend gallery opening, receptions, art events, and anything else to build your network
- When making new connections, don't forget about your old ones
- Maintain contact with all your connections and work towards constant improvement





2 skills you need to develop to get the most out of your clients

- As an artist, you are your own boss
- Take control of your business and the way you wish to operate
- Don't let clients decide for you
- Let your clients get accustomed to and follow your schedule



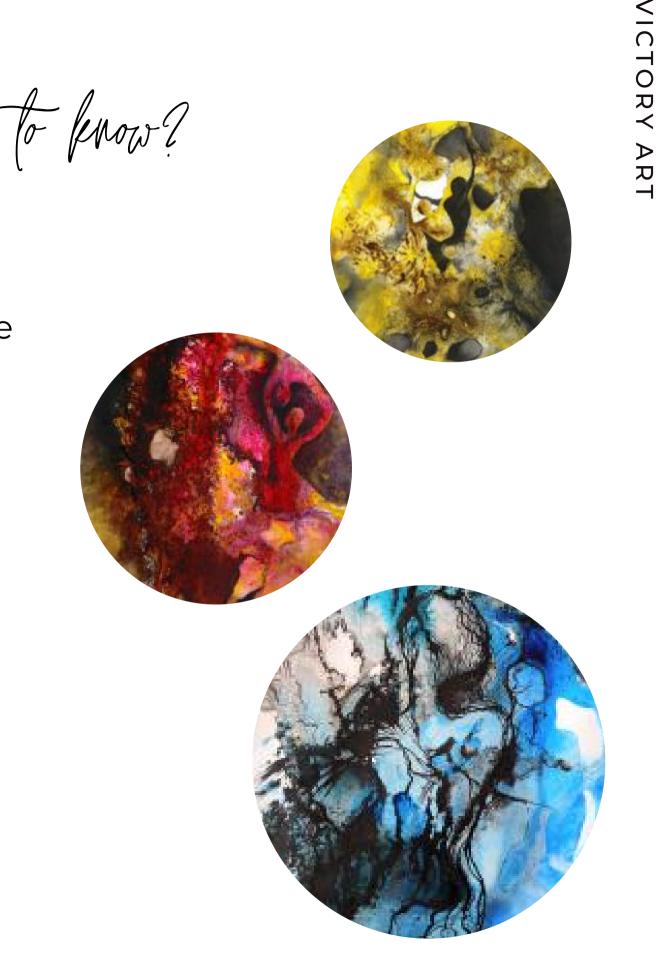


- 1. Learning to choose the right clients for you
- Not every client that approaches you is a good fit
- Ultimately you decide whom you want to have a client

# PARTNERSHIPS you need to know?

Signs to watch out for in clients

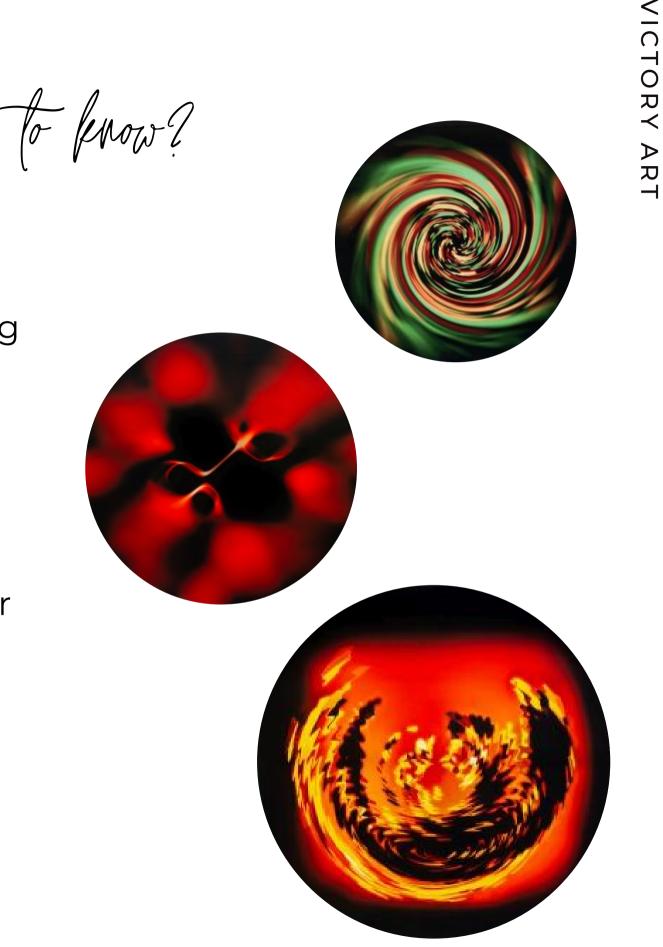
- Before anything else, they are concerned with the price
- They want their artwork unrealistically fast
- Clients who ignore or disregard any questions you may have



# PARTNERSHIPS you need to know?

Signs to watch out for in clients

- They have no clue what they want and keep demanding changes
- Those who constantly try to haggle on the price of the work
- STOP ignoring these signs and find the right clients for you



# PARTNERSHIPS you need to prov?

- 2. Don't give false hope
  - You are unable to control your clients, but you are able to manage their expectations
  - Learn to train your clients and get them accustomed to what you are already doing
  - Everything you do as an artist affects the way you are perceived by your clients
  - Have your strict working hours and resist the urge to respond right away or this behavior will be expected









- 2. Don't give false hope
  - Don't hand in projects before its due or it will be expected of you
  - Control your time and make clients work on your schedule
  - Set aside time to focus on your art





Tips on how to control client's expectations:

1. Write everything in detail

- Start with an outline of the project and what to expect
- Back up your words with written proof along with a timeline to keep track
- Agree on the level of communication between both parties
- Make sure both parties are respectful of each others time





### 2. Make sure to communicate key information verbally

- Writing isn't the end, You have to communicate the information verbally as well
- Highlight all the key details to get clients to fully understand the project
- Repeat and communicate until both parties fully understand ht project





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- Make sure to answer any questions and avoid misunderstandings
- Explicitly mention the payment details as well as the usage rights and ownership



## PARTNERSHIPS you need to know?

### <u>3. Keep their expectations realistic</u>

- Before agreeing to work together, ask about their expectations on the result of the project
- If they don't know what to expect, Explain what is within your capabilities
- Make sure they don't have unrealistic expectations or both parties will be dissatisfied
- You're only human, you can't do everything. Be sure to explain it to your clients





4. Keep them updated



### 4. Keep them updated

- Notify beforehand if you will be late to a meeting or if you need to adjust the deadline
- Show that you care for this project
- Be professional
- Know when you aren't a good fit for a client and learn to turn down those offers







Tricks to leave a memorable impression

## NEXT WEEK'S TOPICS

Guest speaker

- Career and experiences
- Mistakes to avoid
- How to deal with negative feedback





### ASK US ANYTHING! Q&A



### DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR OUR FREE CONSULTANCY SESSIONS!

### **STARTING NEXT YEAR**

**CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION** 

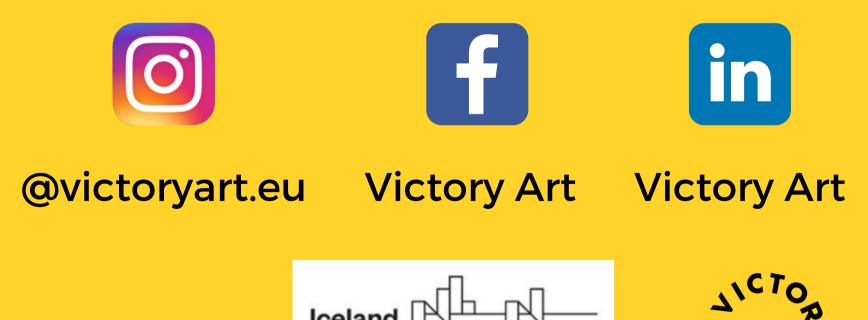


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