

## TOMFRYSTUDIO





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## BIO



Tom Fry is a self-taught, London-born and based multidisciplinary artist and poet exploring various human conditions through visual figurative expression. Tom has been drawing and writing since a young age and then started painting in 2017. In the beginning, making art was a spontaneous, cathartic process in response to depression, which in turn developed into a professional artistic practice and advocacy for mental health awareness.

Tom draws most of his source material from everyday life and his own experiences, be them societal or personal relationships with the human condition, providing a refreshingly colourful dialogue about male stigma and mental health that attempts to alleviate some difficult talking points with his audience.

Tom also writes poetry about his experiences of depression, overcoming struggles with anxiety, addiction, grief, sexuality, and homelessness to help bring these taboo and under-represented topics into the mainstream for educational awareness.

# IMPERFECTIONS THAT MADE US

#### **Artist Statement:**

My latest body of work, entitled "Imperfections That Made Us", is a progressive culmination of 7 years in self-taught artistic development. It brings together older cubist influences that made themselves present in the beginning of my journey with art, alongside new figurative lines and textures. It's my first attempt to recognize a broader visual tale, incorporating much of the story-telling that has typically resided in my writing practice, while also finding new intent with decisions made to the use of colour, setting and texture.

The scenes presented in the works draw attention to environments that helped shape my own story of independence and identity; from working in hospitality settings with connotations to bartending, wine and food, represented by various items that tell individual anecdotes, as well as commentary on loneliness and social anxiety, constituted by the use of windows and their depth of field.

On top of these innovations to my existing work, I've stripped back some of the more complex movements that previously captured the human form, exchanging a wild mix of colours and abstract compositions for cleaner lines and body shapes with a rough pastel graininess that reveal the many hidden levels in each painting. This new palette, resulting in a scarred-like skin tone, feels natural and in many ways metaphorical to the scars that we carry as human beings, be them figurative or literal, akin to the layers that shape our physical and mental wellbeing, often remaining hidden. "The Imperfections That Made Us" is a body of work in which I want to connect us to our wounds and reveal the strength that lurks in their essence.

## Blossoming



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 100x150cm (2023)

#### £6500

## Ruinart, Morbier & Inappropriate Advances



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 120x150cm (2023)

#### £7500

## Bitter Sweet Resolution



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 150x180cm (2023)

#### £9000

## The Good Sh\*t



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 120x150cm (2023)

#### £7500

## Nocturnal Idling



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 100x120cm (2023)

#### £5000

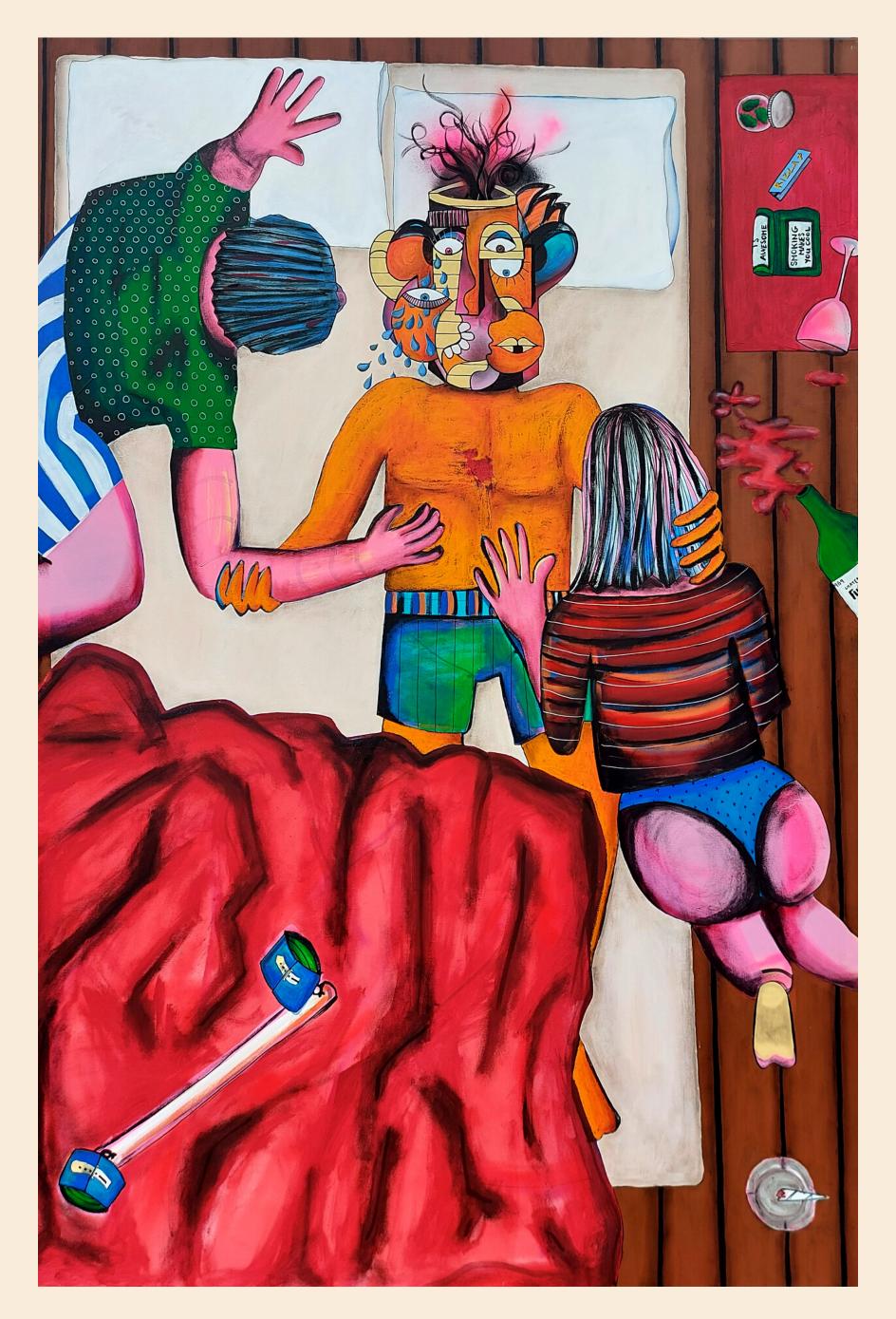
## New



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 120x150cm (2023)

#### £7500

## Panic Attack



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 150x180cm (2022)

#### £9000

## Strong



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 60x60cm (2023)

#### £1750

## Lost



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 60x60cm (2023)

#### £1750

## Weighted



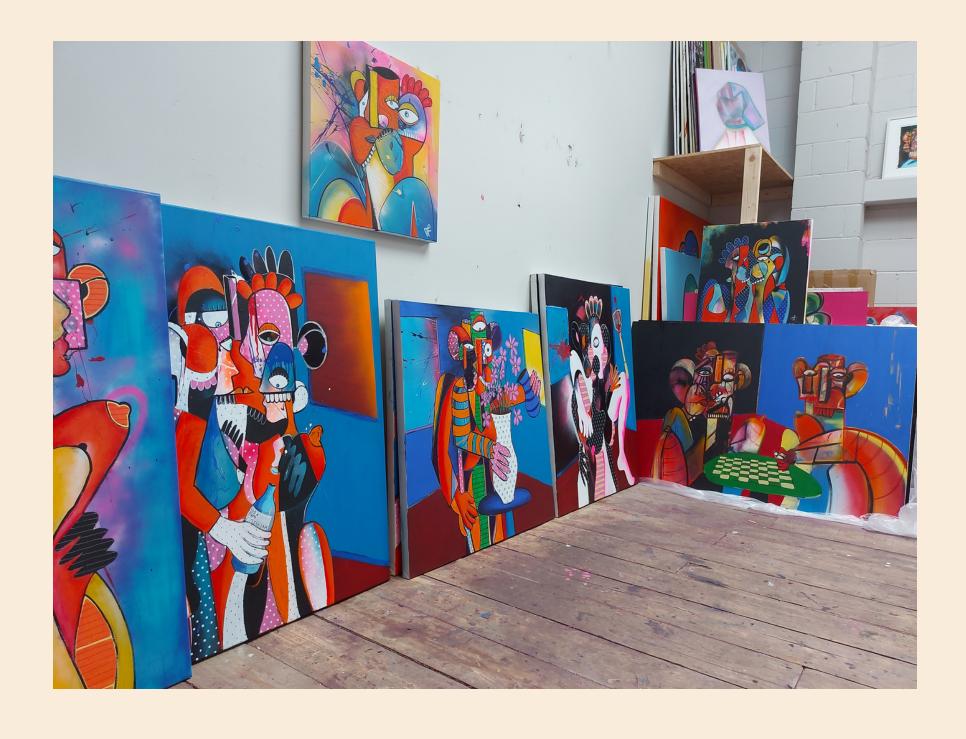
Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 60x60cm (2023)

#### £1750

# OTHER AVAILABLE WORKS



Available artworks from previous collections.



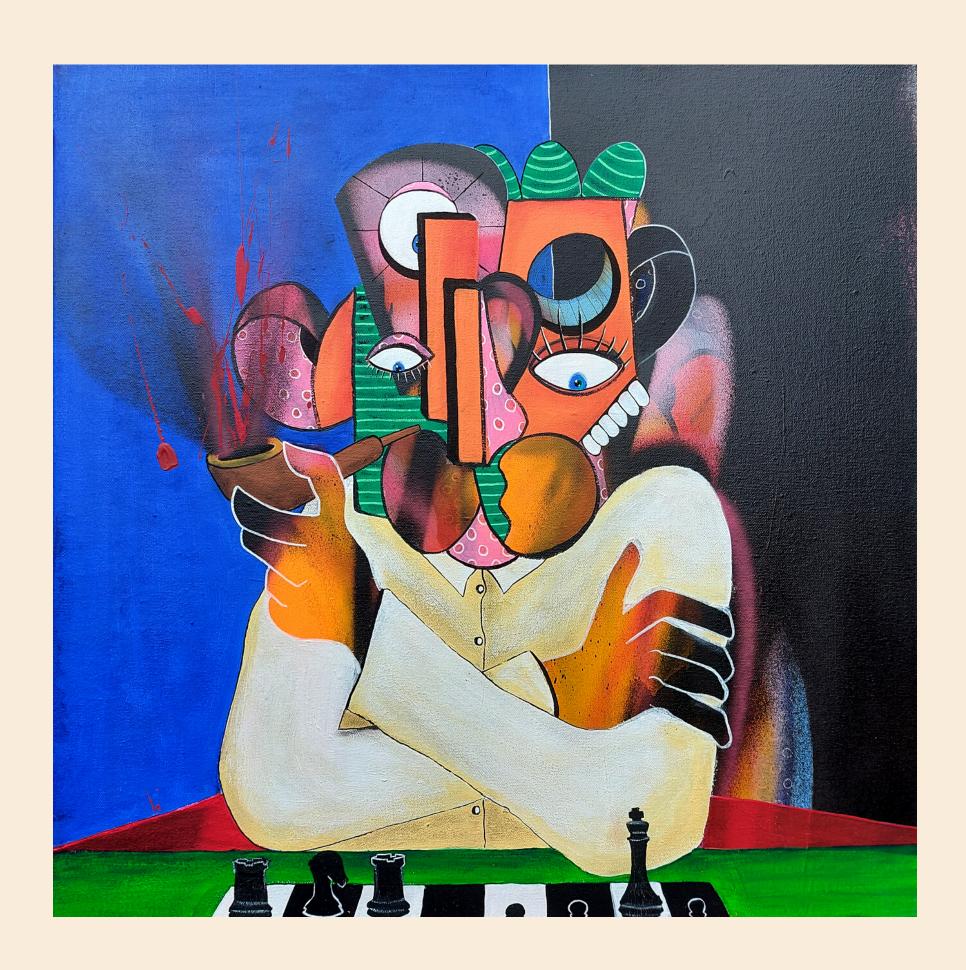
## The Massacre



Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 100x120cm (2022)

#### £5000

## Victim



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 60x60cm (2022)

#### £1750

## Click Bait



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 60x60cm (2022)

#### £1750

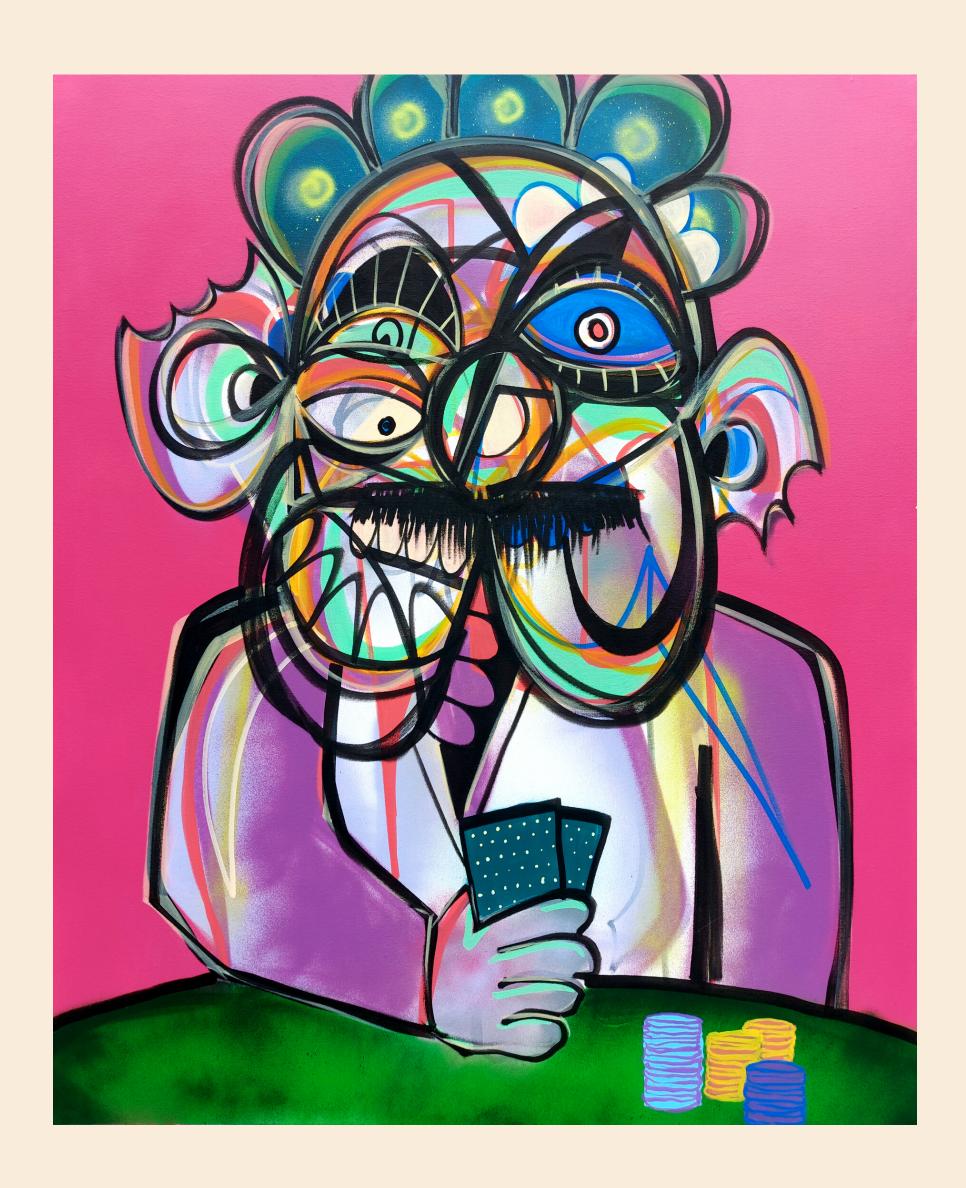
## Brain Sanitizer



Oil pastel, Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 60x70cm (2022)

#### £2000

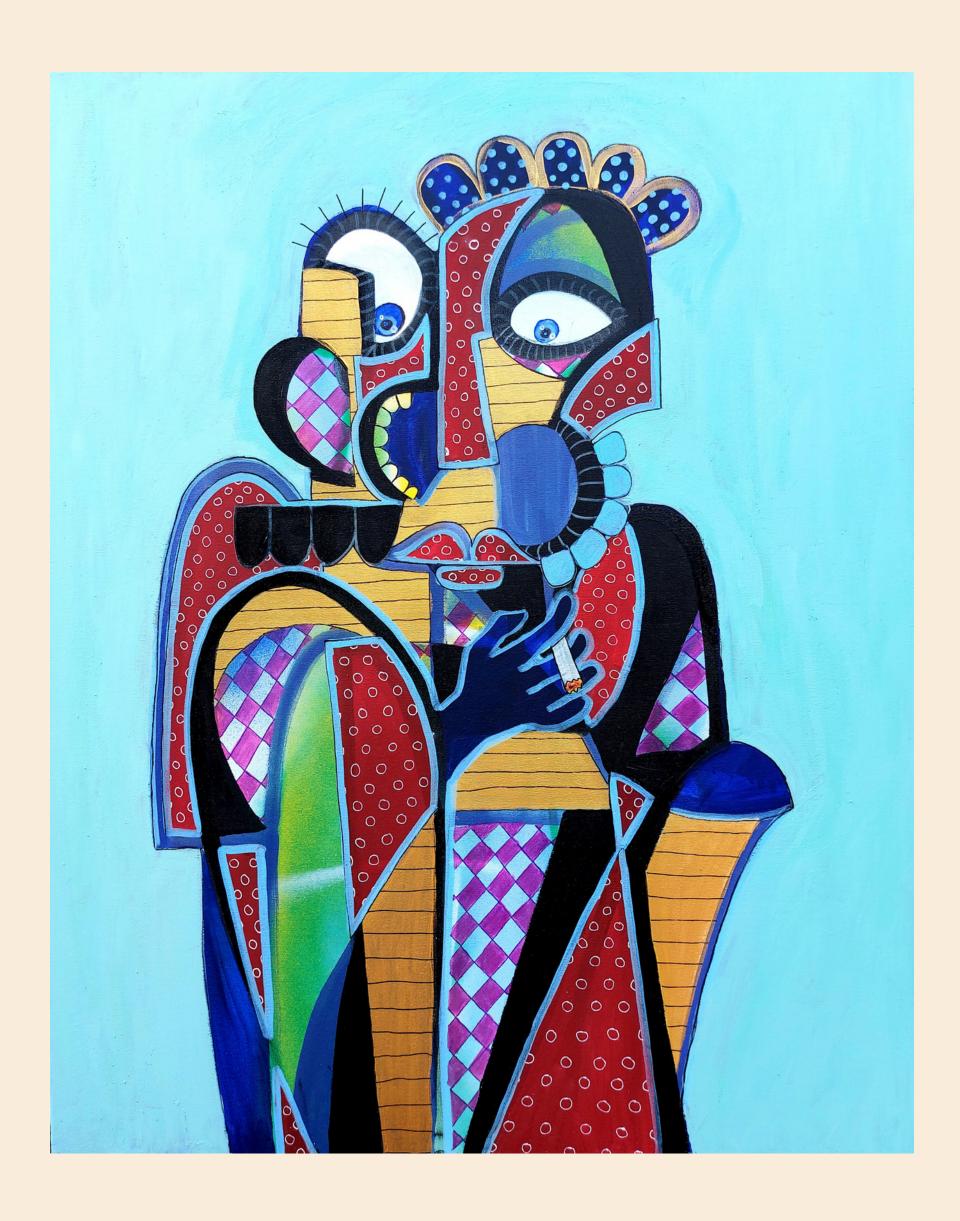
#### Poker Face



Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 100x120cm (2020)

#### £4500

## **Break Time**



Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 80x100cm (2021)

#### £3250

## Look At Them



Acrylic & spray paint on canvas 120x150cm (2019)

#### £7500

## **EXHIBITION HISTORY**



Previous shows in the UK and abroad



September 2022 - DIARY OF A MADMAN Lac Space (Doki Doki Gallery), Shanghai China. Solo exhibition.

August 2022 - OBJECT
Hackney Downs Studios, London
In-residence solo exhibition

November 2021 - POP UP POP ART Lac Space, Shanghai China. International group exhibition.

October 2021 - SOLITUDE
Hackney Downs Studios, London UK
In-residence solo exhibition.

October 2021 - UNHOOKED Yellow Edge Gallery, Gosport UK. Solent Mind Charity group exhibition.

December 2019 - IN MY OWN WAY Ignition Brewery & Social Enterprise, London UK.

Group exhibition

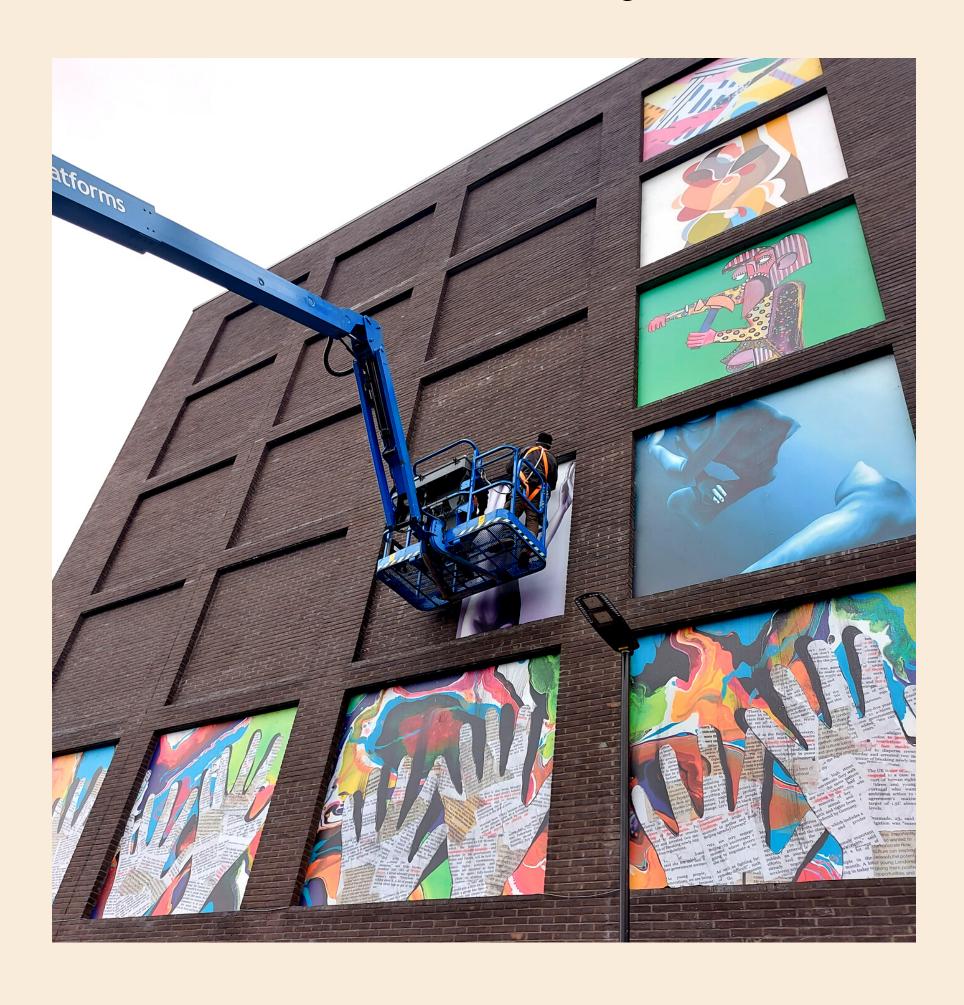
December 2018 - IGNITING SYDENHAM Ignition Brewery & Social Enterprise, London UK.

Mural reveal and solo exhibition.

## MURAL PROJECTS



Get in touch about small to large scale murals



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