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Ruddy Bob

Marilyn George (2008)



The painting was done in acrylic on canvas. The sitter's name is Bob – he was a model at the portrait class attended by the artist Marilyn George. The artist enjoyed a conversation with him about 60s pop groups; he enjoyed his youth in the 60s and the artist is a big fan of 60s music.

The artist suffers from a severe mental illness of the schizophrenic spectrum. She has always enjoyed painting and finds herself inspired a lot by portrait painters of the past, particularly John Singer Sargent whom she would like to emulate. Although unable to hold down a full-time job, the artist is quite ambitious about her painting and wants to produce work of very high quality. She finds it important to have goals in her life and she finds painting therapeutic.

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