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ALI FRANCO

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"Officer's Slut"

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This Pride season edition issue of Boner World, we present the provocative works of Portugal based artist Ali Franco. These sex-capades are painted from the point of view of actually being a part of these historic and decadent frolics, just like today when we make party pics with our phones to post on Instagram. In this series of erotic Rococo fantasies, he really goes for the meat with imagining what might have happened at those exclusive VIP feasts. What a perfect match for this festive time of the year when everyone plays dress up and can't resist putting something in their mouth.

Ali was born and grew up in Eastern Europe, which at that time was part of the USSR. Looking back at that period in his life, he can't believe how much everything there has changed. He says, "my childhood memories now seem more like scenes from some black and white historical movie."

He does consider himself lucky to have parents that were both educated in the arts and had many books about art and art history to look at in his home. As a very young boy he was a big fan of cartoons and comics. It was these animated books

that initially inspired him to start drawing. Later, when he was around 14 years old and just blossoming into manhood, he started to draw erotic illustrations.

He always liked to create his subjects with strange clothes; sometimes imagining them to represent

people from

another planets. His love of theatre, music, mythology, European and Egyptian history and culture were all great sources of artistic inspiration for him.

Ali remembers that he was always searching for older drawings or paintings that were done in a style similar to what he imagined but couldn't find any, so this motivated him to create his own risqué style – and we can't get enough of it. ►



"Medusa"



"Dessert"

► As his main goal, Ali wanted to create a realistic enough feeling in the scenarios he painted, so that the viewer would think they were actually existing somewhere in our history.

"I'm sure there were actually a lot of goings on like the ones that I portray in in my work but alas, we can't find these paintings. I am sure that it was total taboo. Plus, back then there were not staff photographers or social media assistants to document the everyday lives of the aristocrats, only strictly censored portrait artists. Here I give you my version of their dirty little secrets that could have taken place in private behind the castle's very well guarded gates."

Professionally, Ali was working as a book and game illustrator for many years but then he decided to venture out on his own. Now it's been just three years that he has been working as a freelance artist and he's completely happy with his career decisions. Starting mostly with digital works and now preferring acrylics on canvas. As we see here, they are Just Luscious!

Ali Franco will be presenting new work in the upcoming LGBTI Erotica 2019 exhibition at the Filippo ioco Studio Gallery as an official part of the Gay Pride celebrations in Barcelona which will open on Thursday 26 June. (bb)

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"The Emperor"



"Lullaby"