

PETER BLUM GALLERY

# Esther Kläs

*Come again*

January 29 – March 12, 2022



Peter Blum Gallery is pleased to present an exhibition by Esther Kläs of new sculptures, works on paper, and installations entitled, *Come again*. This is the artist's fifth solo exhibition with the gallery. The exhibition runs from January 29 - March 12, 2022.

With the exhibition *Come again*, Esther Kläs converges disparate media and forms in sensitive spatial relationships, bringing a distinctive energy and perspective onto their surroundings. The installations comprised of reduced sculptures and works on paper underscore physical presence and manners of viewing through a relationship of scales, positionings, and materials. The ways in which environment and form are navigated begins with a consideration of her low-elevation, floor-based sculptures, that confront from below. Inviting repeated observation, *Come again*, continues with a bridge to the wall-based works on paper that create their own internal spatial relationships with forms in a now flattened plane. Also creating an encounter from above, a ceiling-suspended sculptural element drifts over a flattened concrete surface on the floor, uniting space. Organically presented in groupings, with repetitions creating a rhythm, the works are close to, yet removed from reality. Appearing at once as independent presences and projections of a poetic imagination, the works emphasize intuitive gestures and continue Kläs' investigations into form, openness, and perception.

"I move step by step, spread, come back.  
Jump Forward.  
Leave behind/discover new forms.  
Use them."

— Esther Kläs



**Esther Kläs** (b. 1981, Mainz, Germany) graduated from the Kunstakademie Düsseldorf (2007) and received an MFA from Hunter College, New York (2010). She currently lives and works in Barcelona, Spain. Museum exhibitions include *The subtle interplay between the I and the me*, Kolumba, Cologne, Germany (2021); *Esther Kläs: Maybe it can be different*, Fondazione Giuliani, Rome, Italy (2020); *Esther Kläs: Start*, Center for Contemporary Art, Tel Aviv, Israel (2019); *Proof of Life*, Weserburg Museum of Modern Art, Bremen, Germany (2018); *Esther Kläs: ola/wave*, Proyecto AMIL, Lima, Peru (2017 - 2018); *Esther Kläs: Our Reality*, Fondazione Brodbeck, Catania, Italy (2015 - 2016); *Whatness*, Kunsthalle Bielefeld, Germany (2015); *Drawing Redefined*, deCordova Sculpture Park and Museum, Lincoln, Massachusetts (2015); *Esther Kläs: Girare Con Te*, Marino Marini Museum, Florence, Italy (2014); *Esther Kläs: Better Energy*, MoMA PS1, Long Island City, New York (2012).



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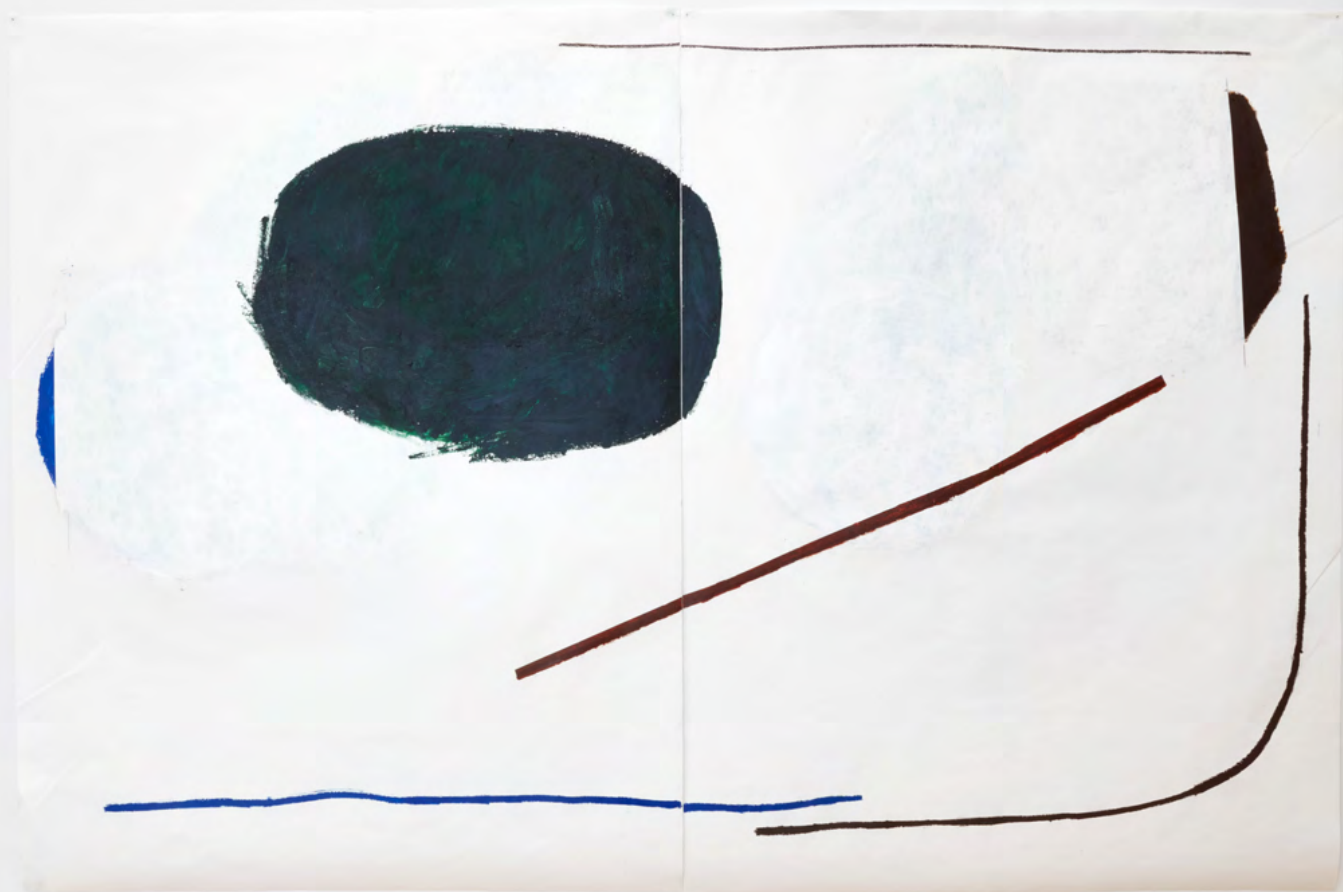
*About, 2019-2021*

aluminum, concrete, and pigment

74 x 48 x 135 inches (188 x 122 x 343 cm), overall







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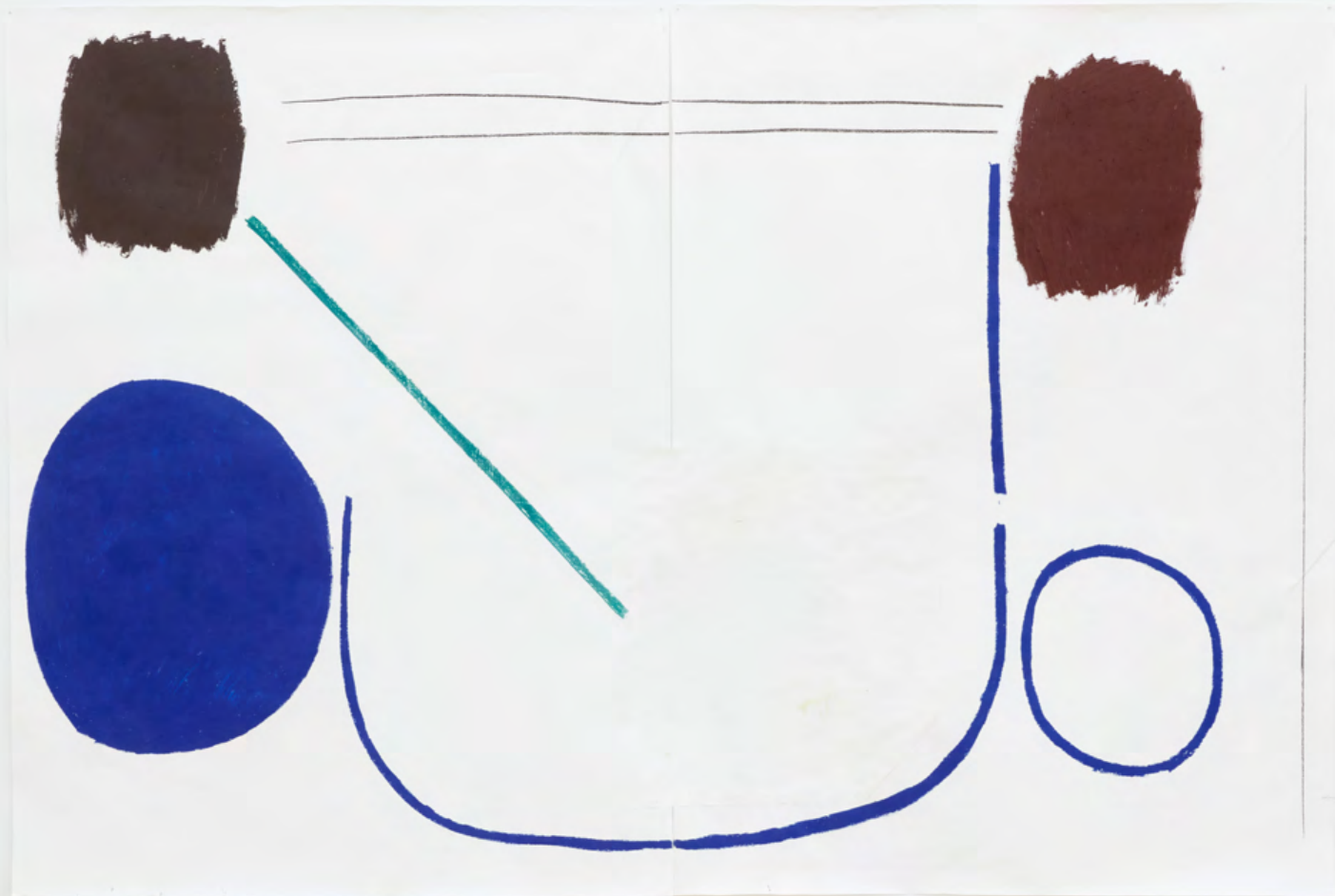
*BESES, 2021*

oil stick and pastel on paper

74 3/8 x 118 7/8 inches (189 x 302 cm)







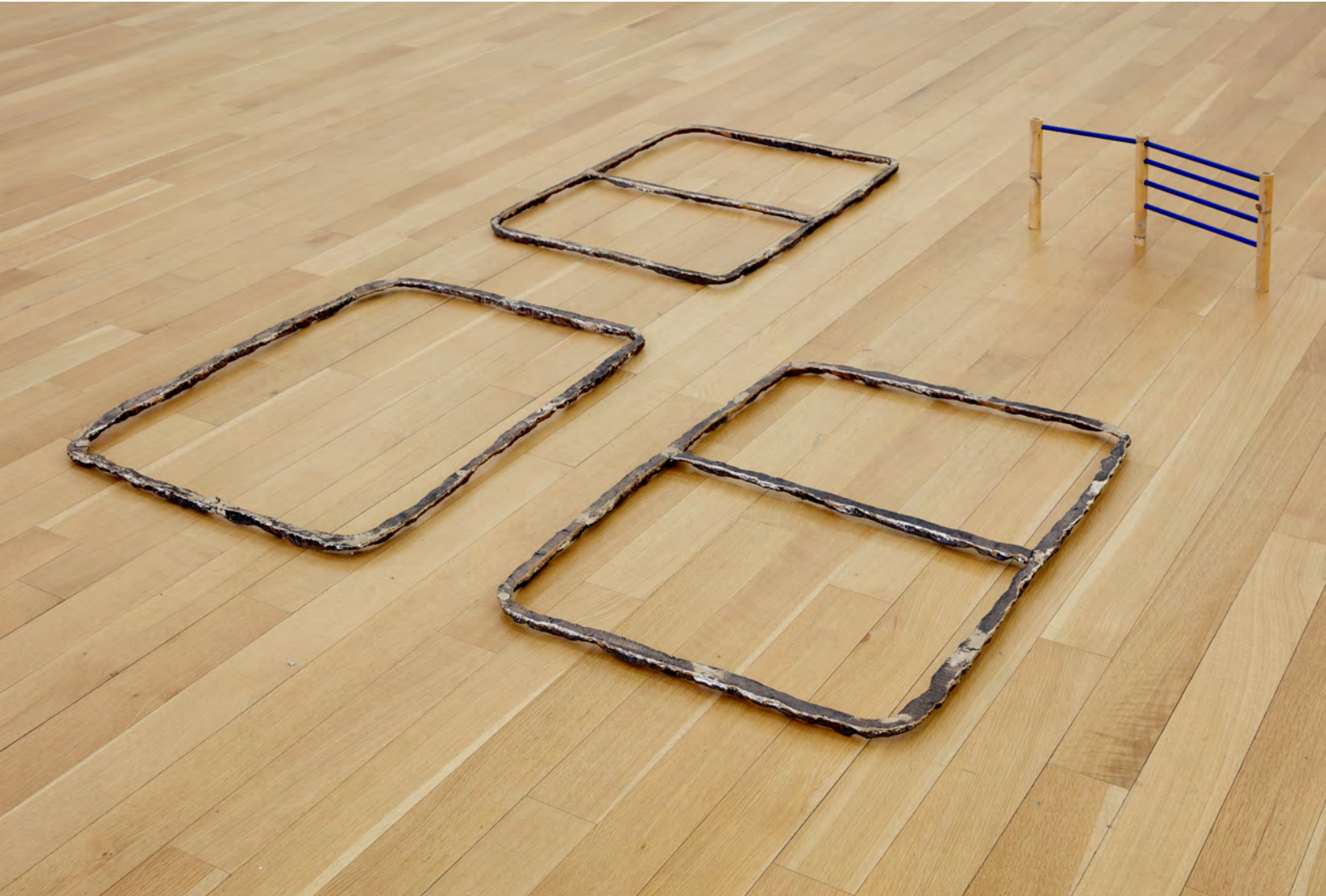
**Esther Kläs**

**WAYS, 2021**

oil stick and pastel on paper

78 3/4 x 118 7/8 inches (200 x 302 cm)





**Esther Kläs**  
*COME AGAIN*, 2021  
wood, paint and bronze  
61 x 83 x 10 1/2 inches (155 x 211 x 27 cm), overall







**Esther Kläs**  
*RANDOM BEAUTY*, 2021  
wood, fabric, glue and bronze  
53 x 25 x 40 inches (135 x 63.5 x 102 cm), overall









**Esther Kläs**  
*BEGINNINGS*, 2021  
concrete, bronze, pigment, and wood  
27 x 68 x 18 inches (69 x 173 x 46 cm), overall







**Esther Kläs**  
*Untitled, 2021*  
paint enamel and bronze  
73 x 29 x 5 inches (185 x 74 x 13 cm), overall





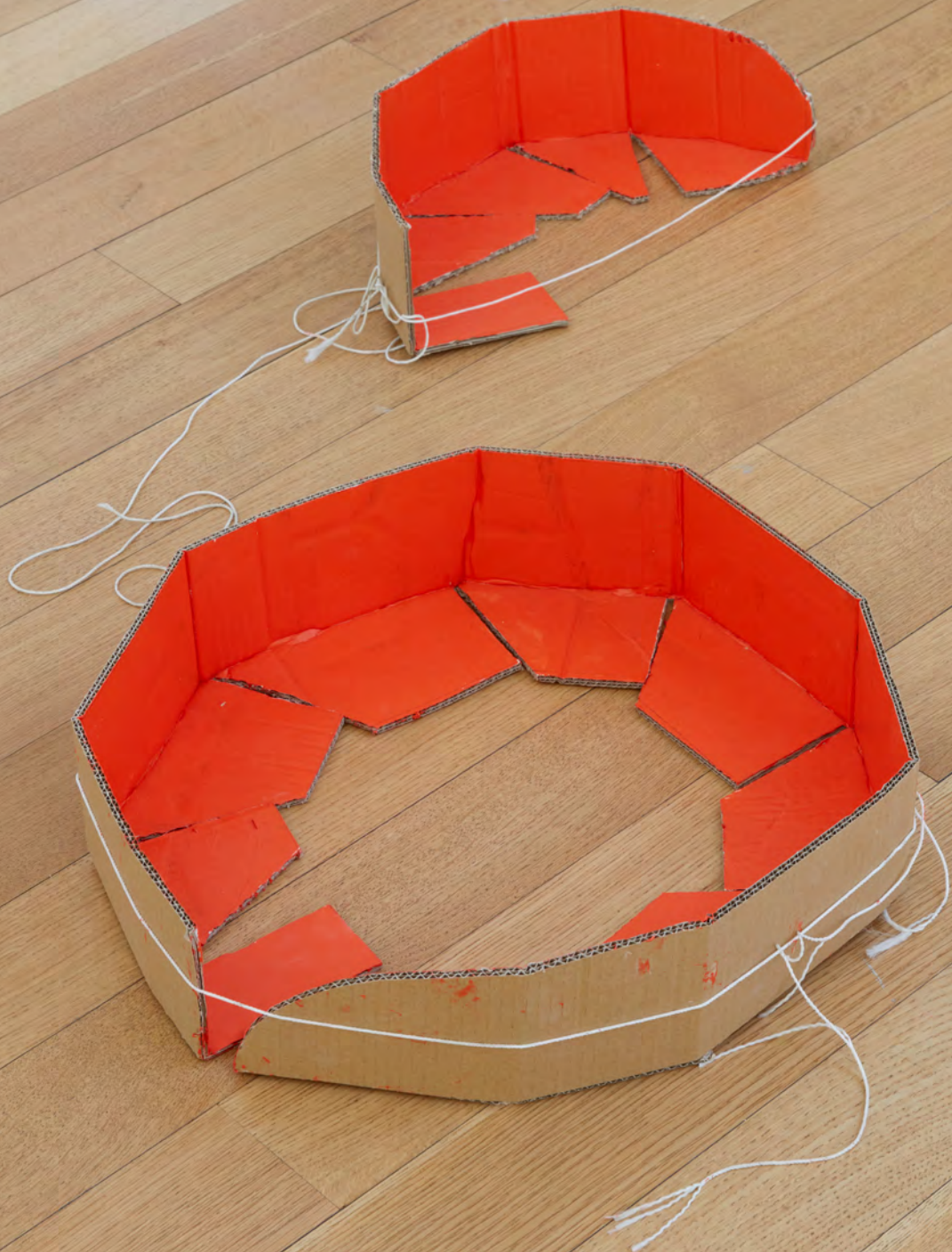


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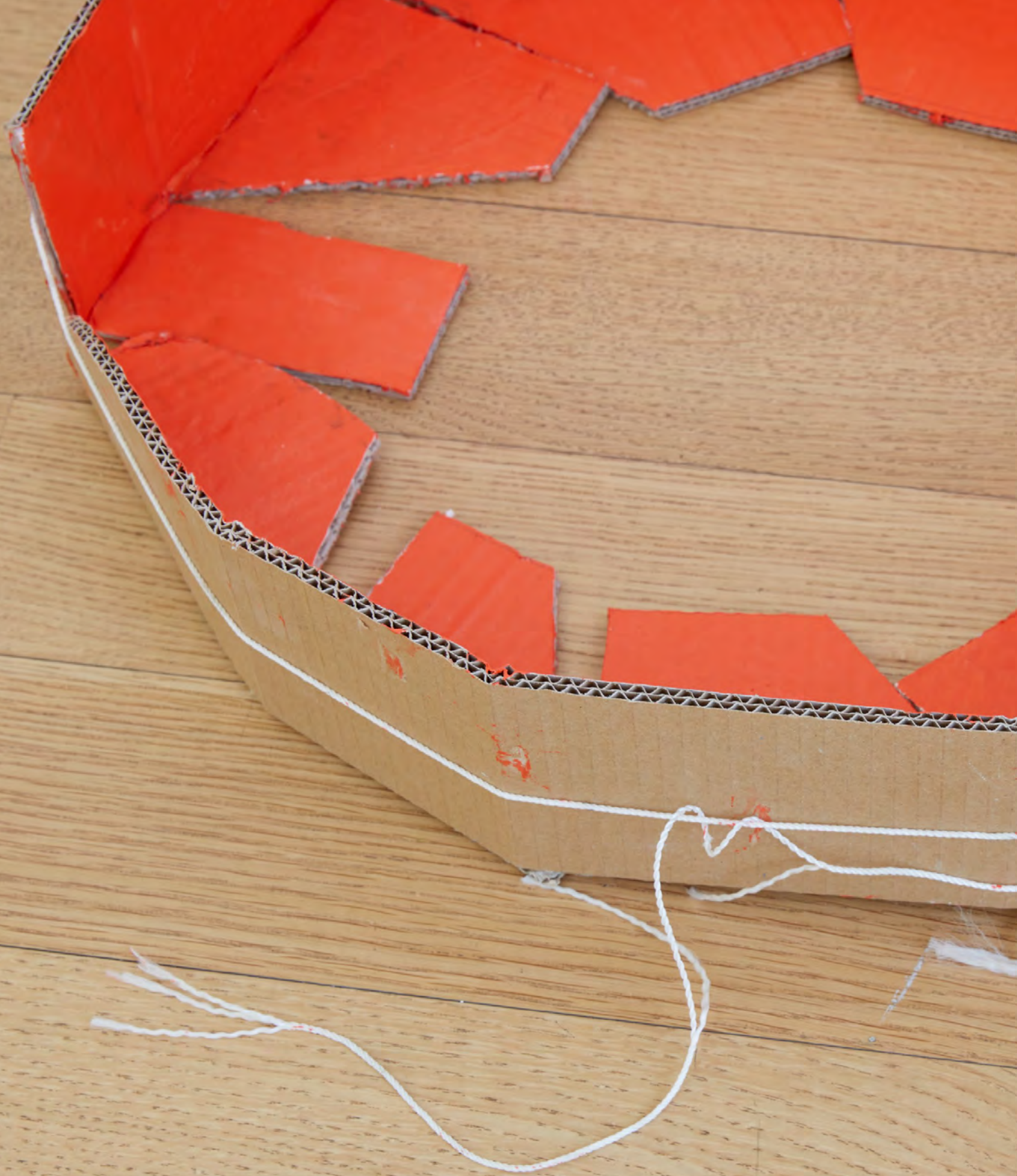
*SEE YOU, 2021*

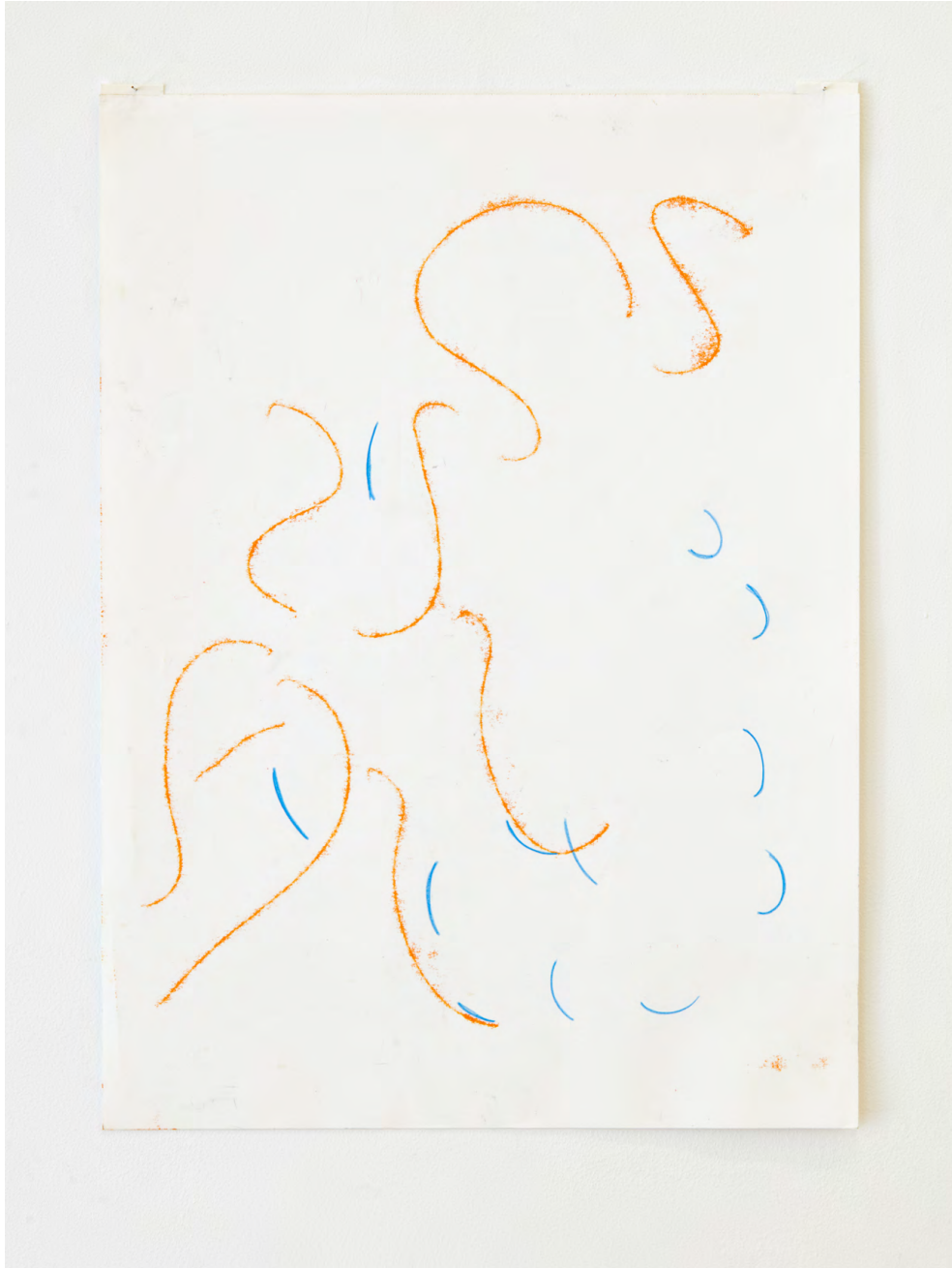
cardboard, paint and string

36 x 31 x 4 1/2 inches (91 x 79 x 11 cm), overall

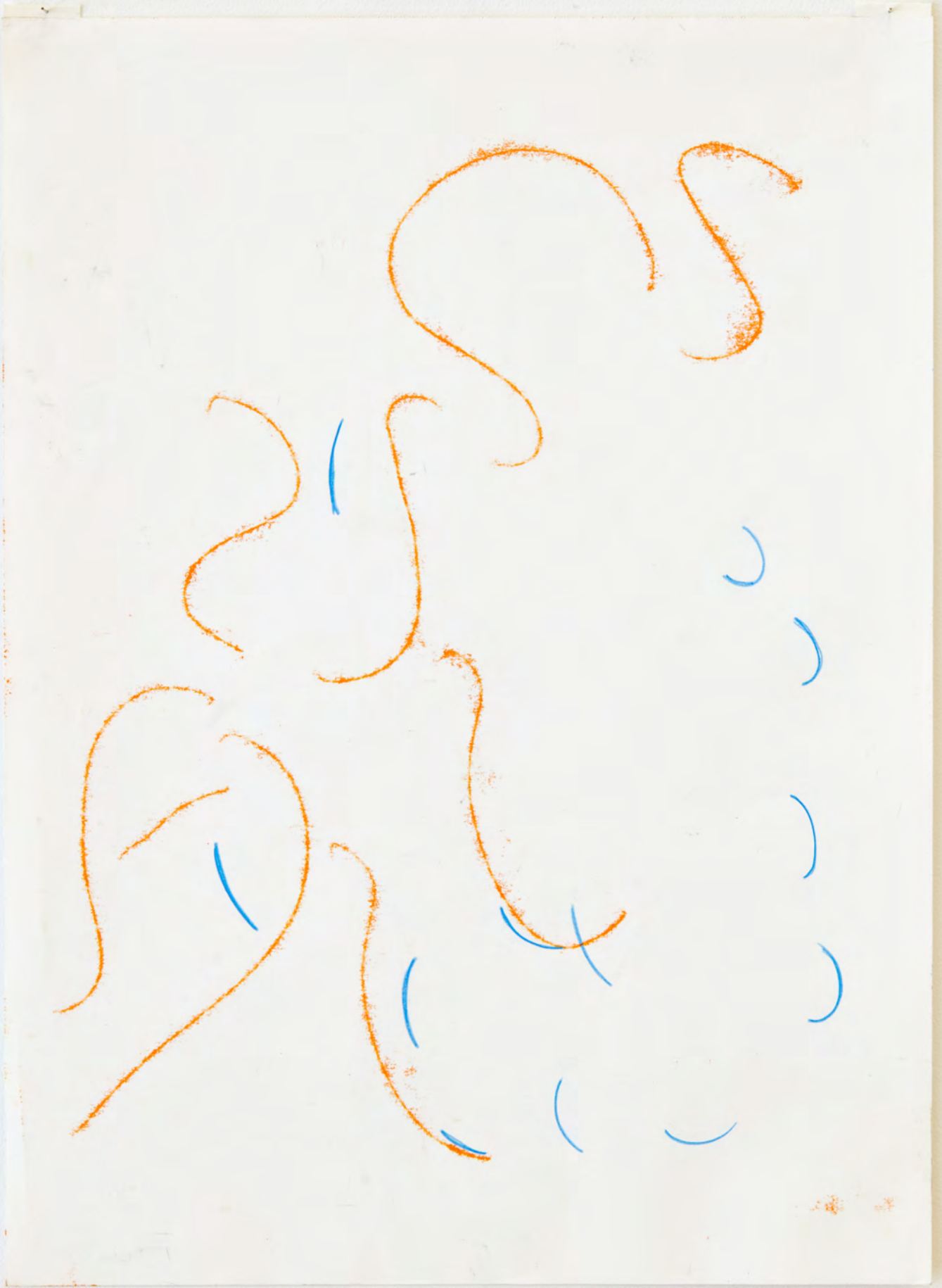








**Esther Kläs**  
*Eses, 2019*  
monotype and pencil on paper  
11 3/4 x 16 inches (29.7 x 40.5 cm)

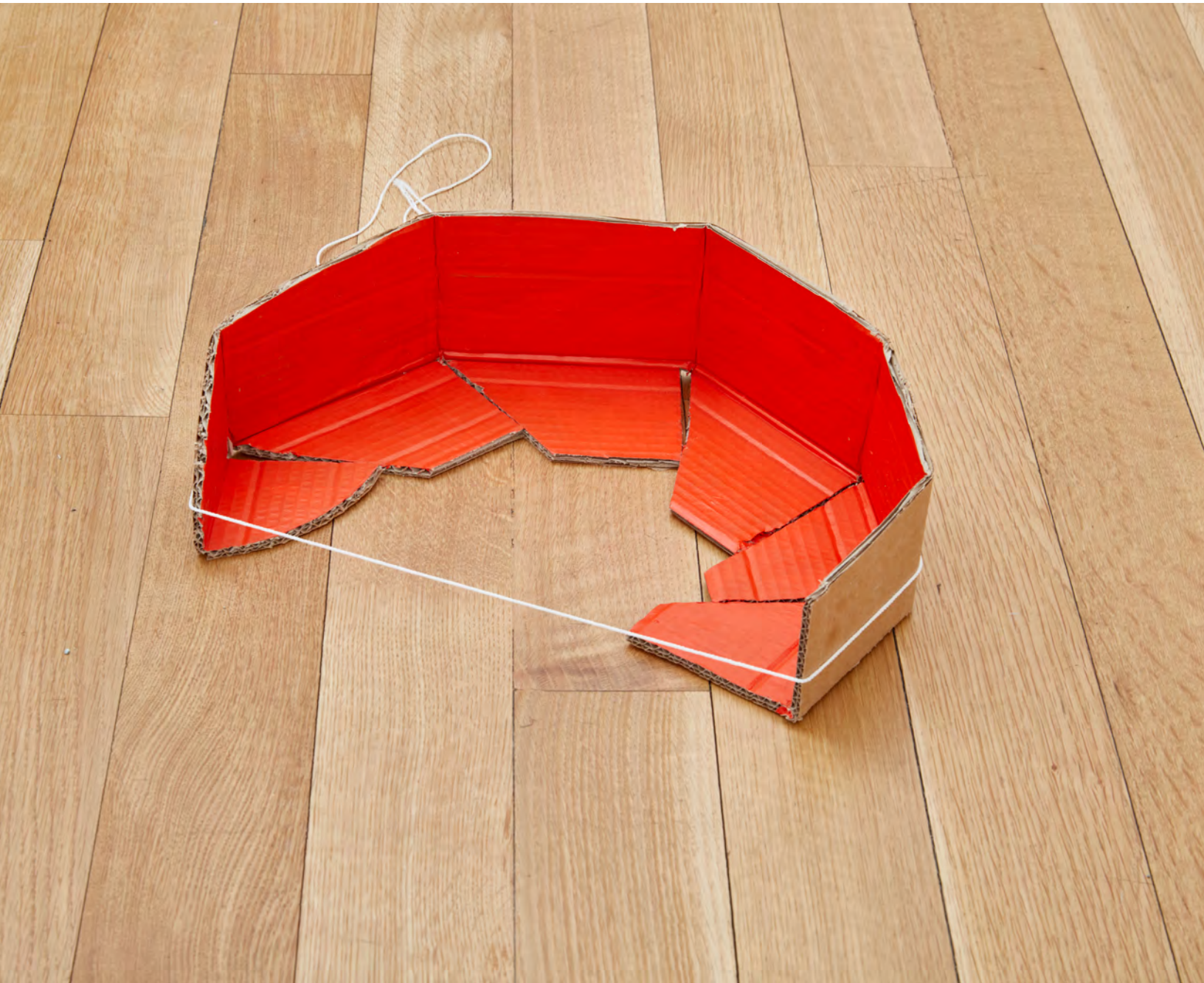






**Esther Kläs**  
*Untitled, 2021*  
paint enamel and bronze  
89 1/2 x 31 1/2 x 2 inches (227.3 x 80 x 5 cm), overall





**Esther Kläs**  
*Tine, 2021*

cardboard, paint and string  
16 1/8 x 11 3/8 x 4 3/4 inches (41 x 29 x 12 cm)









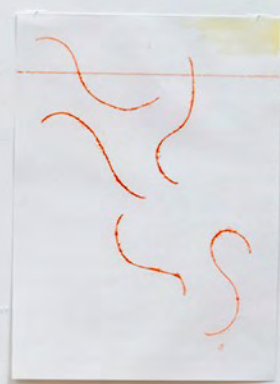
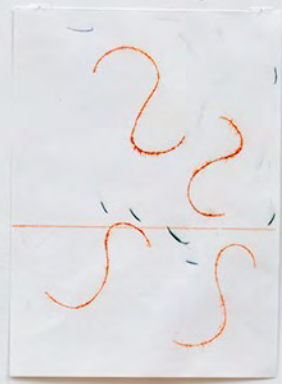
**Esther Kläs**

*ES 1 - 8, 2021*

8 monotypes and pencil on paper

11 3/4 x 16 inches (29.7 x 40.5 cm), each







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