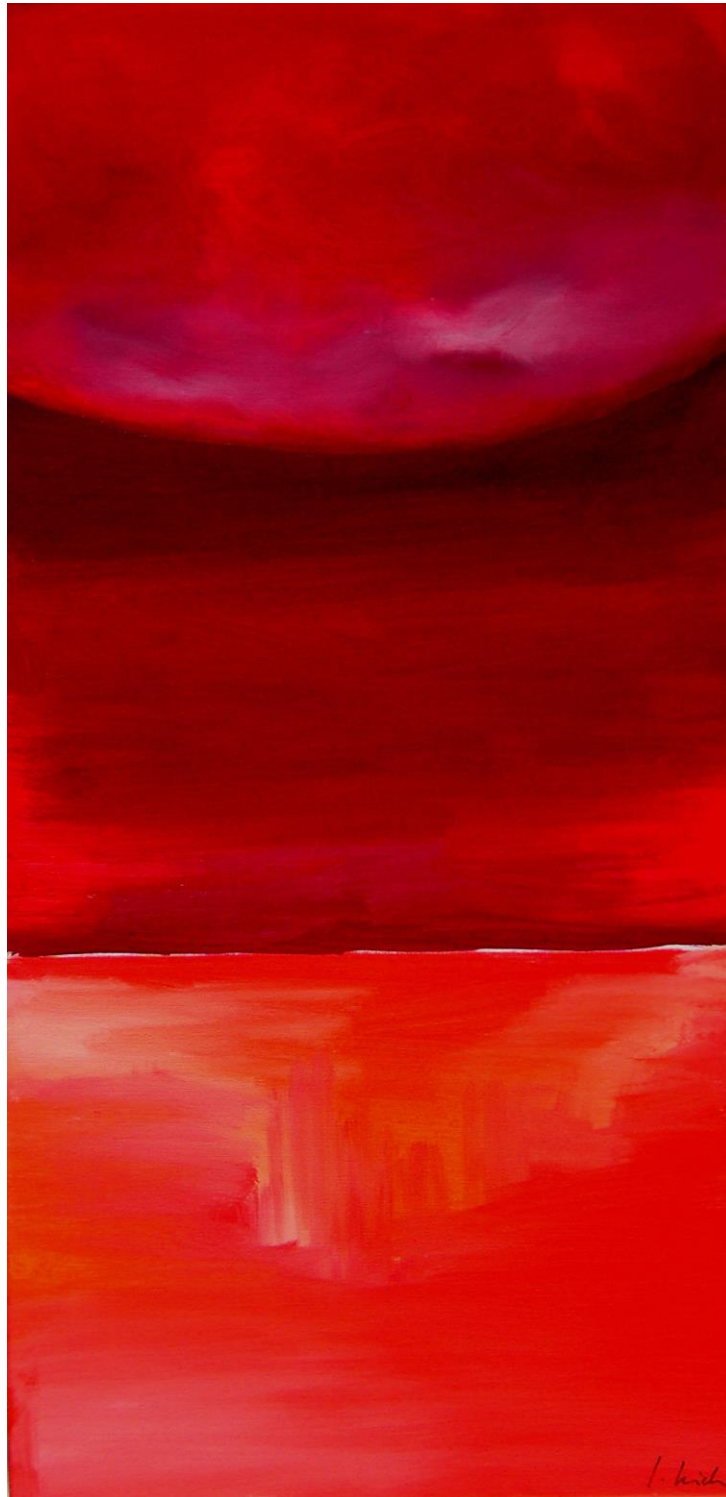


FEBRUARY 2020

VALENTINE'S DAY



The day for lovers and flower sellers.

On this day one can even as an inhibited and uptight person express oneself's degree of infatuation 'through the flower'.

You are as precious to me as an expensive orchid. (€ 1.29 for 3 stalks) or, I show you my affection with a bunch of spring flowers I bought myself (from Kenia) (€ 2.98).

I do not like the Gerberas and Chrysanthemums, they smell of the graveyard (€ 3.49).

And for a self picked bunch of flowers we have to be patient for another few years until the change of climate will present us eventually with an early spring. The Friday demonstrators will certainly achieve this. Patience.

So this leaves us only with one single native wild flower, the ice flower. But maybe this can send out the wrong signal?

Red roses do not belong here, they are symbols for love, as infatuation has often nothing to do with love. Infatuation is a personal, biased matter (illness?) and is probably mainly caused by hormones.

Preferably one ignores this day and hands over to the ones one adores at any time of the year when nobody is expecting it a small gift of attention. Then red roses may also be possible.