

Painter tackles 'obesity crisis' with latest work

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AN award-winning artist has used her latest painting to focus on the national obesity crisis.

Alex Jabore, 26, who is originally from Wilmslow, was inspired to create 'Taking Stock' in response to the current focus on weight issues in the media.

The painting was a con-

tender in the National Portrait Gallery's National Portrait Award.

She said: "Taking Stock was inspired by seeing far too many articles about obesity, with images of fat-bellied people with tape measures around them, focusing on body mass index.

"I decided to paint my own - a 'large' lady with a tape measure around her waist.

"Where it differs from the photos in the news

however, is that she is sucking in her stomach as much as she can possibly do to try and get a more favourable measurement.

"She is obviously over weight, but I think she's also rather regal and marvellous in her own right."

Alex, who grew up in Italy and moved to Wilmslow when she was nine, graduated from Falmouth University with a degree in fine art.

She spent some time teaching in Israel and

China before returning to Wilmslow last year to focus on her art career.

During her time here Alex won first prize in the Peak District Artisans Young Artist of the Year at the Great Dome Art Fair competition with her striking painting of her younger brother Joshua.

Alex now lives and works in Surrey.

As a professional artist, she is now trying to take her art to the international stage.

She is using the a global directory called artistsinfo.co.uk, which features 500 painters, jewelers, photographers and ceramics-makers, to showcase 12 pieces of her work. She said: "It really helps us artists get our names and work out to a global audience and cuts out the high costs of having to rent a studio or pay for exhibitions.

"Financially, artists generally need as much help as possible."



● Alex Jabore and her painting of her brother, top, and Taking Stock, above

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