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Childhood memories in oil: Jeremy Dickinson's Matchbox towers

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While most merely reminisce about their earlier years, English artist Jeremy Dickinson spends his time arranging his childhood toy car collection – and then using the resulting scenes as subjects for his photo-realistic oil paintings...



For more than two decades, Dickinson has been using his collection of approximately 6,000 toy vehicles – some from his childhood, the rest bought at flea markets – as the focus for his paintings. Citing photorealism and vintage photographs as his inspirations, he uses the paint-chipped cars, buses and trucks to “construct compositions of stacks and patterns with juxtaposing colours and viewpoints”, creating a fascinating exploration into the interplay between painstaking organisation and childhood play. Examples of his work are currently for sale through the Angles Gallery in California, or through the [Artsy](#) website.

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