



## Event Horizon

*A painting by Roger Crooks*

*Size 90cm x 90 cm. Acrylic on canvas.*

Inspired from a collaboration with the Hucknall U3A Science Group 2 where Roger assisted in a presentation and talk focussing on String Theory. At the end of the session all 26 participants were tasked with providing a drawing from randomly selected words. This was not a test of drawing skill and only a few minutes were given to complete the exercise. Extra drawings were provided by friends and relatives to bring the total up to 36 drawings – the number required to complete the picture. The resultant drawings were then taken by Roger and over the next few months, re-created into his painting 'Event Horizon'.

During the re-creation process, Roger was careful to retain as much of the original character of each drawing as he could, modifying only when he felt it necessary. He found the whole process fascinating; his collaborators' drawings charming, surprising and inspiring. He hopes to develop the idea and sees the painting as a starting point to new, bigger collaborations in the future.