The Closest Pass · 150 × 190 cm · The Unwritten Laws, Chapter II

Sources and verification

Source and method

NOAA National Hurricane Center HURDAT2 east Pacific best tracks, 1949 to 2025 (public domain), 6-hourly fixes. 62 storms with a fix within 150 km of 17.8375 N, 101.7606 W. Each stroke at the nearest recorded fix (not the interpolated closest point), bearing and distance from the beach, 150 km = 42 percent of the short side; direction = heading at that fix; length = half the 6-hour displacement; weight = maximum wind at that fix. Finding page: lasaladita.com/findings/hurricane-track-shifts/.

What was kept, changed and invented

Kept: Every one of the 62 strokes, its place, direction, length and weight.

Changed: Palette (olive on bone) and a paper-like surface.

Invented: Nothing. The stroke encoding (length from speed, weight from wind) is an artistic choice, stated.

Verification

The painted surface embeds the production mask byte for byte (SHA-256 c57b6f13…), and 100 percent of rendered pixels lie within the material bounds; a mirrored copy fails (New_Mask_Fidelity_Results.json, 2026-11-18). The storm list with positions, headings and winds is in 03_the_closest_pass.json.

Label

OBSERVED. Observed: every cyclone within 150 km since 1949

Credits

Art by Addie Conner. Surfaces by an AI image model (OpenAI), under geometry checks. Generators, checks and provenance records by AI agents (Claude) in the studio. Data: NOAA, USGS/Landsat, ESA Sentinel-2, the La Saladita weather station. Published 2026.