

GOWEN CONTEMPORARY

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EXHIBITION: Artists of the Gallery . A selection of works by Maria Gimeno, Martin Kline, Nick Laessing, Andre Niebur, Aurélie Pétrele and Marie Velardi

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Opening Thursday 15 December 2016 – 18h

Gowen Contemporary is delighted to announce the group exhibition **Artists of the Gallery**, with a selection of works by Maria Gimeno, Martin Kline, Nick Laessing, Andre Niebur, Aurélie Pétrele and Marie Velardi. This exhibition offers a stylistic, formal and esthetic dialogue between these artists, giving priority to abstract atmospheres, enriched with indirect references to science, nature, or even the human body.

Through the very different approaches of the presented works, painting, writing, sculpture, drawing and photography, the artists converge towards a research of medium and its plastic exploration. The first steps in the exhibition with works by Martin Kline and Andre Niebur, explore the synthesis between object and space, making a foray into installation and sculpture, aiming to extend the physical experience in a three-dimensional confrontation with the visitor.

Aurélie Pétrele develops and renews a practice which stimulates one's view simultaneously questioning the processes of perception and representation of the real so as to better approach the phenomena of abstraction.

The introspective work by Maria Gimeno is shown in an intimate space dedicated to a selection of works on paper related to identity, beauty, desire, nudity and fragility.

Marie Velardi and Nick Laessing lead us in a search for balance in the temporality of our existence, between history and science.



Andre Niebur, *Untitled*, 2012, Acrylic on canvas, 155 x 210 cm



Shadow Aspect (II), 2012, Encaustic on panel, 121.9 x 121.9 x 8.9 cm