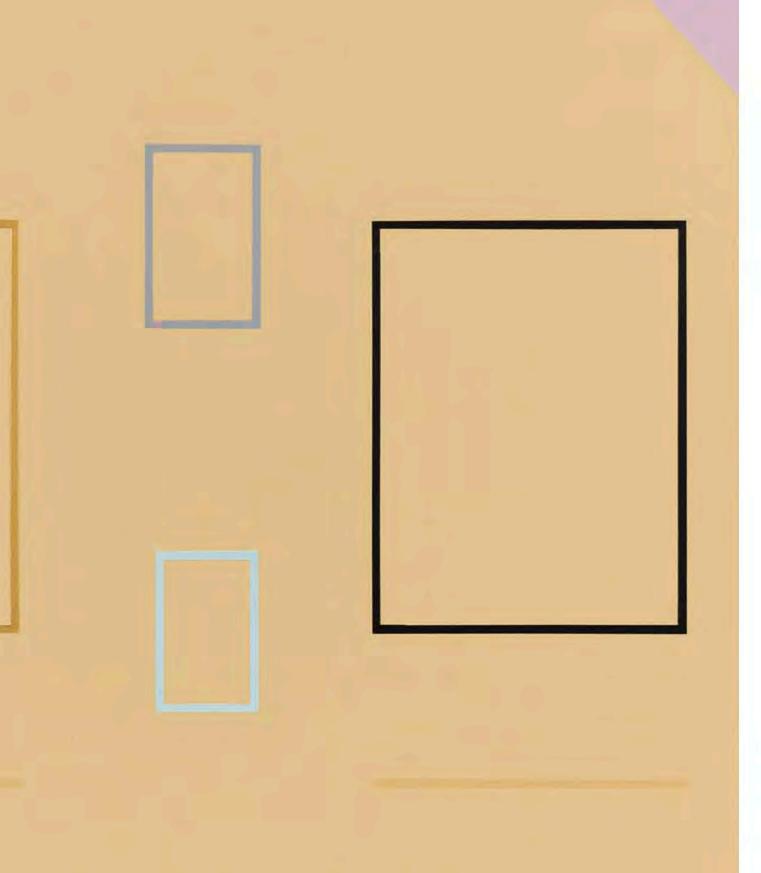


YOU AGAIN

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YOU AGAIN is an exhibition at the Miles McEnery Gallery's 511 West 22nd Street gallery space. I have selected nine artists, each with a pair of paintings, one from the past—proximate to when I was first introduced to and inspired by the artist—and one from the present.

This exhibition adopts its title and narrative structure from Debra Jo Immergut's 2019 novel, You Again. The novel's protagonist is a painter in contemporary New York encountering a person who appears to be her young artist self from the 1990s, which is parallel to when I arrived in the city and was introduced to the art scene.

I met Debra in 2016 while we were both in residence at MacDowell, an artists' retreat in Peterborough, NH. We shared studio visits, readings, meals, and conversations about culture and our respective past MFA lives at the University of Iowa. As with the novel, the exhibition stretches linear time into a contemporary elastic, plastic and porous shape, space, and dimension. Recursive signs transform a point in time into a reflexive, uncontainable quality/quantity. Context tautly tethers past to present and present to past.

For my selection of artists, I established a condition of including only those artists who have entered my studio/brain space to such a degree that I have felt compelled to paint something from each of the artists' past paintings into my own work.

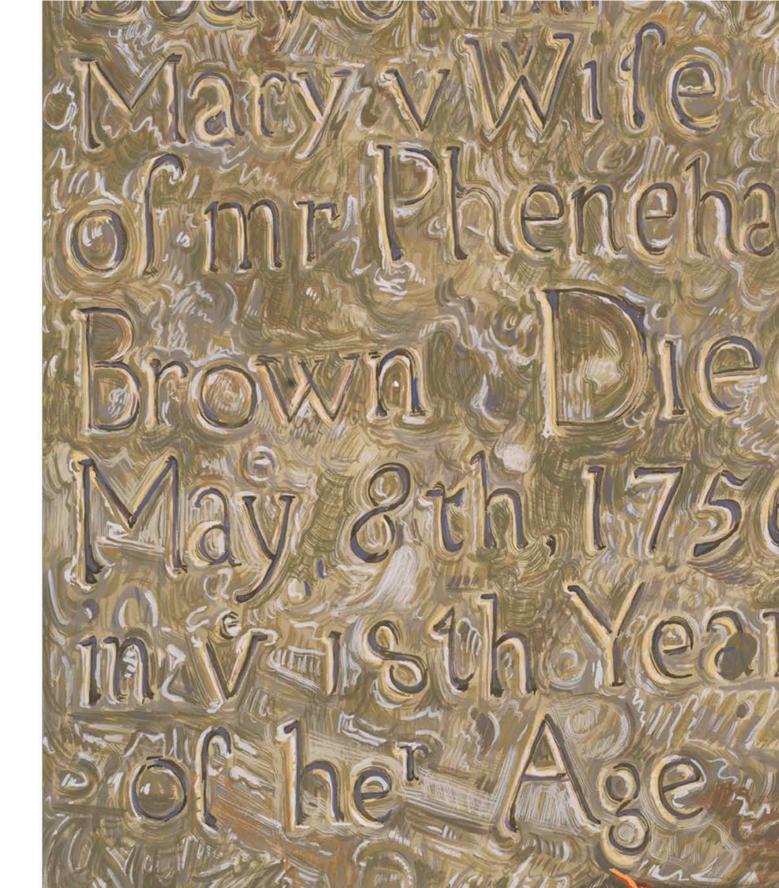
I met the artists Ann Pibal (a graduate school classmate at the University of Iowa) and Eric Wolf (among my first New York art friends) before I knew their

artwork. I met the artists (Fabian Marcaccio, Elliott Green, Pedro Barbeito, Jackie Gendel, Tom McGrath, Tracy Miller, and Josephine Halvorson) after I had been drawn into their practices at New York exhibitions. My recollection of when and where I was first inspired by each artist's New York work is as follows:

- Eric Wolf: mid to late 1990s (The Drawing Center and Jessica Fredericks Gallery)
- · Fabian Marcaccio: early 2000s (Gorney Bravin + Lee)
- Elliott Green: 2000s (Postmasters Gallery and D'Amelio Terras)
- · Pedro Barbeito: early 2000s (Lehmann Maupin)
- Ann Pibal: early 2000s (The Drawing Center and Jessica Murray Projects)
- Jackie Gendel: early 2000s (Jessica Murray Projects)
- · Tom McGrath: mid 2000s (Zach Feuer Gallery)
- Tracy Miller: mid 2000s (Feature Inc.)
- · Josephine Halvorson: mid to late 2000s (Sikkema Jenkins & Co.)

I am grateful to all the participants in YOU AGAIN—the nine artists, Debra Jo Immergut, and the Miles McEnery Gallery. YOU AGAIN meets You Again, and optimistically "you too again."

- Franklin Evans, April 2021



PEDRO BARBEITO

Endless Column B, 2021
3D print with concrete base and 3D print on canvas
Sculpture:
69 x 14 x 14 inches
175 x 35.5 x 35.5 cm
Painting:
60 x 28 inches
152.5 x 71 cm
Edition 1 of 3





James Webb 2, 2013
Acrylic and pigment printout on canvas
72 x 49 inches
182.9 x 124.5 cm







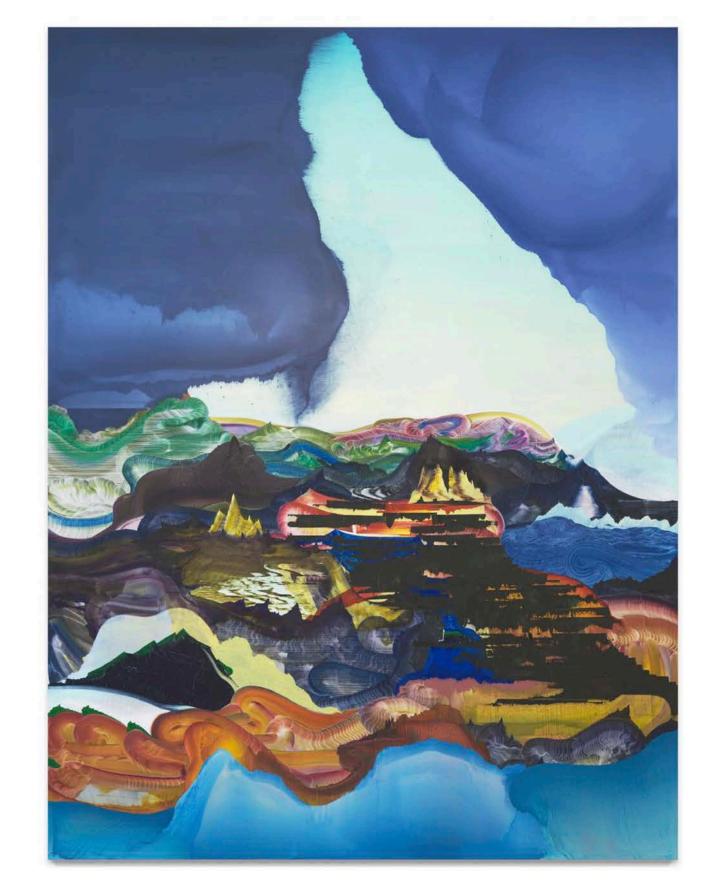
JACKIE GENDEL TBT, 2019 Oil on linen over panel 48 x 69 inches 121.9 x 175.3 cm



JACKIE GENDEL

Double Room, 2007

Oil on canvas over panel
20 x 20 1/8 inches
50.8 x 51.1 cm



ELLIOTT GREEN Heavy Shit in Candy-Land, 2019 Oil on linen 90 x 70 inches 228.6 x 177.8 cm

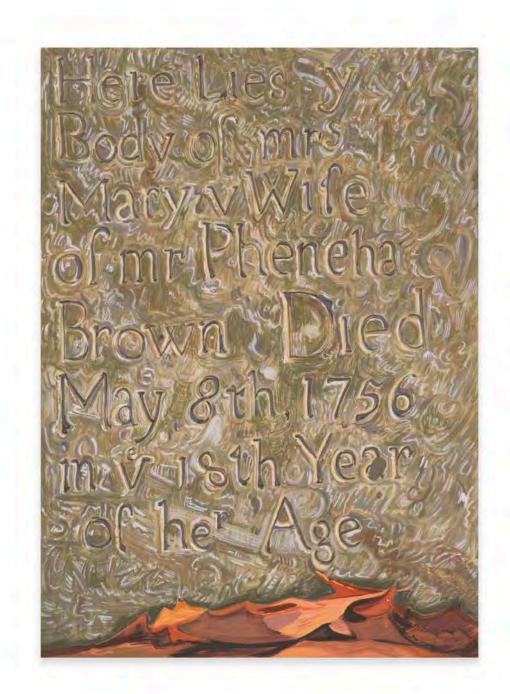




ELLIOTT GREEN Gold Belly, 2010 Oil on linen 30 x 40 inches 76.2 x 101.6 cm

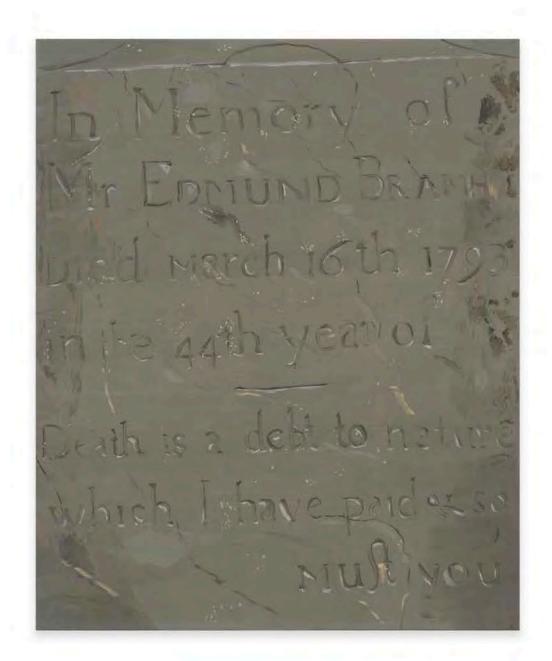


Mrs. Mary, 2021 Gouache on panel 22 x 16 inches 55.9 x 40.6 cm





Memento Mori, 2008 Oil on linen 17 1/8 x 14 1/8 inches 43.5 x 35.9 cm



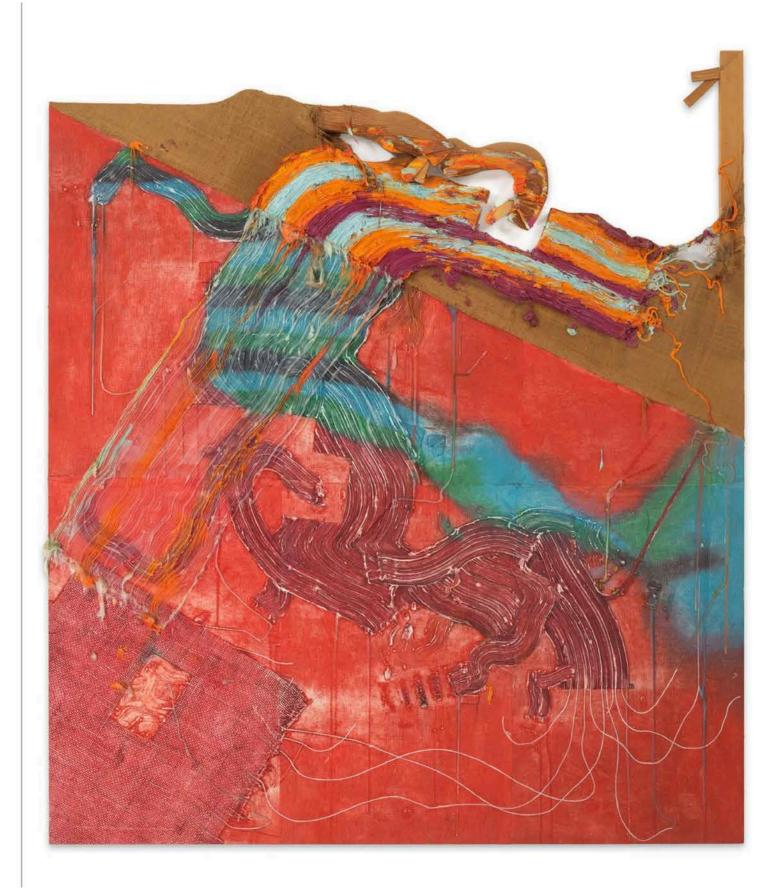


The Bride Rejection, 2021
Oil, allkyd silicone on TPU polyurethane 3D printed parts, aluminum and steel
77 x 90 ½ x 15 inches
195.6 x 229.9 x 38.1 cm





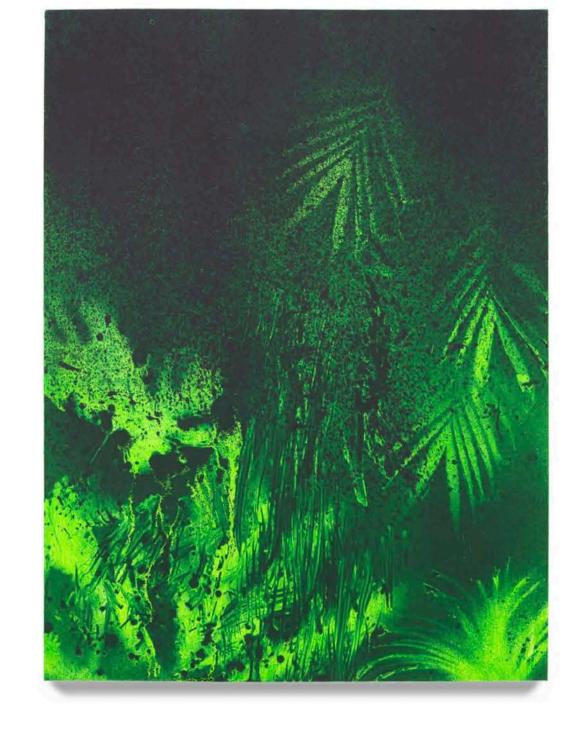
The Altered Genetics of Painting Series, 1991
Oil and silicone on printed fabric and burlap, carved wood
84 x 74 x 2 5/8 inches
213.4 x 188 x 6.7 cm





TOM MCGRATH

Untitled, 2020
Oxidized aluminum resin mounted on panel
20 x 15 5/8 inches
50.8 x 39.7 cm



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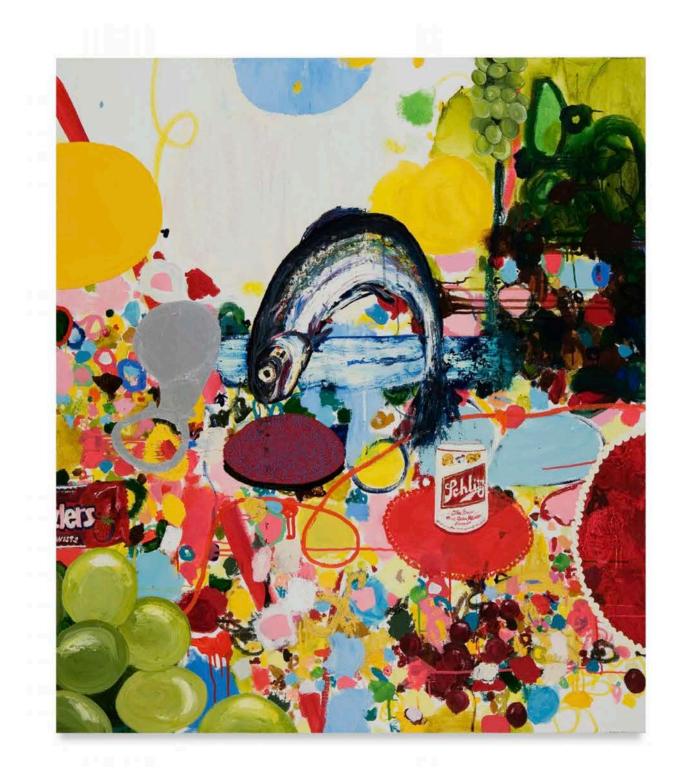
Palm, 2010 Oil on canvas over panel 53 x 42 inches 134.6 x 106.7 cm

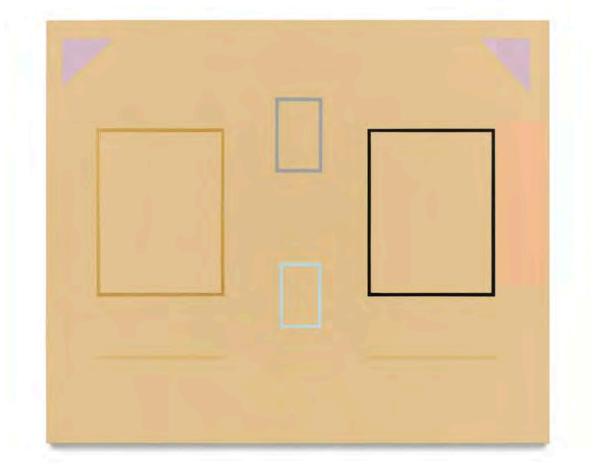


TRACY MILLER

Green Bananas, 2019 Oil on canvas 48 x 48 inches 121.9 x 121.9 cm







ANN PIBAL

HBL2X, 2021

Acrylic on aluminum panel
16 x 20 inches
40.6 x 50.8 cm







ERIC WOLF

Mooselookmeguntic Lake, 2019 Ink on paper 44 x 51 inches 111.8 x 129.5 cm





Water, 1994 Oil on canvas 35 x 48 inches 88.9 x 121.9 cm



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