

**SARAH CAIN** Racing with the moon 13 October through 17 November 2017 Opening reception: Thursday 12 October, 6 to 8pm\*

Anthony Meier Fine Arts is pleased to announce a solo exhibition of new works by painter Sarah Cain. In her fourth show at the gallery, Cain's bold, multi-layered canvases vibrate with raw, boisterous energy balanced by sophisticated style, meticulous craftsmanship and sharp intelligence.

Cain's surfaces are studies in the nuance of control and balancing restraint with indulgence. Sharp lines define her precise, geometric patterning. These lines maintain their course across materials, seamlessly navigating dimensional elements such as prisms, shells, beads, lace and bells. In contrast to the rigor of her compositions, Cain's work also embodies a fierce free-spiritedness. Mixing fluid graffiti, spray paint and splash & splatter application within her more structured templates, Cain showcases an ease of visual movement with both spirit and form.

As she challenges the definition of two-dimensional painting, Cain also addresses stereotypical notions of femininity, sexuality and strength. In her painting aptly titled bras, Cain incorporates worn lacy lingerie into the painted surface. The viewer is confronted directly with byproducts of Cain's femaleness, as a piece of a whole. Quietly removing the intimates from the forefront by painting them to match the central surface, Cain's undergarments are the background to a wild, robust, strong and capable foreground.

Concurrent to her exhibition at Anthony Meier Fine Arts, Cain's site-specific exterior wall work *Now I'm Going to Tell You Everything* is on view at the ICA LA through 31 December. Her site-responsive installation at Elk Camp on Snowmass Mountain, in conjunction with the Aspen Art Museum, debuts 24 November and remains on view through 30 September 2018. In early 2019, Cain will install a large-scale permanent glass wall commissioned by the San Francisco Arts Commission in the newly renovated San Francisco International Airport Terminal 1.

<sup>\*</sup>complimentary valet parking