



SMASH137

GRAFFITI PAINTER

May 15 > June 15, 2014

Galerie LE FEUVRE

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Born in 1979 in Liestal (Basel-Land, Suisse), lives and works in Basel



Galerie LE FEUVRE is glad to present Graffiti Painter, a personal exhibition by Smash137. Adrian Falkner, a.k.a Smash137, dove into graffiti in 1990 in Basel. Until 2005, he inscribed his name as often as he could on every surface the city had to offer. Over the course of 15 years, Smash137 sharpened his style which was originally inspired by the New Yorker wild style, and which he rapidly made his own so as to re-invent it. According to Smash, the outline of a letter is like a border, a frontier which he chose to erase in order to immerse himself into painting, free of all constraints. Master of spray paint abstract art, he has become an inspiration for an entire generation of young graffiti artists as well as a growing reference in the world of contemporary urban art.



Since his very first personal exhibition in 2008 (in Düsseldorf), Smash's work was shown in many cities around the world, from Stuttgart to Detroit via Los Angeles, Montpellier, Völklingen, Cologne, Geneva, and, of course, Paris. The French capital was home for a personal exhibition of the Swiss artist's work in 2011 called Grow Up! which introduced Smash137's percussive paintings to the french public. Smash came back several times to Paris as part of collective exhibitions, Graffiti Painter is his second personal exhibition in this city. It is the first of several future collaborations between Switzerland and the Galerie LE FEUVRE. This exhibition also marks a turn for the artist for it enables him to explain his work to the public, from graffiti to abstract art. Three years after his first solo show in Paris, Smash has grown up, his painting matured and has taken a new step. Rendez-vous is set for 15 May.

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Tint White
mixed media on canvas
180 x 130 cm



Black
mixed media on canvas
100 x 100 cm



Grey Light
mixed media on canvas
100 x 200 cm



Apricot
mixed media on canvas
100 x 100 cm

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A personal exhibition by Smash137
From May 15 to June 15, 2014
Opening on May the 15th, from 5 pm to 10 pm

A catalogue is edited
The gallery is open from tuesday to friday, 11am - 7 pm
and on saturday from 1.30 pm to 7 pm

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