

Jane Lombard Gallery at Independent 2024 | Booth 625 Featuring: Howard Smith and Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens May 9th - 12th, 2024

Jane Lombard Gallery is pleased to participate in the 2024 edition of Independent with a group presentation of new and recent works by Howard Smith and the artist duo Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens. Smith, Ibghy & Lemmens use their respective mediums as a catalyst for experimentation and collaboration. The works collectively encourage participation through the questioning of prescribed conventions and certitudes.

Toggling between chance and control, Smith's painting practice is as fastidious as it is boundless. With measured, deliberate strokes, Smith's staccato mark-making challenges the eye as similar hues blend and overlap, creating a uniform field of color that dissipates into a particulate flux of varying depth. Exploring temporality, Smith's paintings encourage prolonged viewing, slowing perception such that they reveal themselves gradually and dynamically.

Smith's experimentation with form and space reaches beyond the canvas in his *Universe* series. Pushing spatial limits, the active series is composed of a suite of small-scale paintings that vary in size and shape. Each installation boasts a presentation of a selection of hundreds of paintings, dispersed along the wall as if independent of controlled parameters. The lack of

prescribed order in placement opposes conventional standards of display and upends what can be considered a single work. Renegotiating the traditional relationship between artist and patron, the *Universe* series invites the viewer to take on the role of curator.

lbghy & Lemmens' collaborative multimedia practice interrogates the means by which several disciplines translate data into fact. Examining the histories of science, economy, and statistics, the artists combine diligent research with a dedication to material exploration. Working primarily in sculpture, video, and installation, lbghy & Lemmens question how the media, graphical representations, and other abstract visualizations transform and inform knowledge. With wit and whimsy, the artists challenge what is considered true modes of knowledge.

The colorful ceramic sculptures from their series *Alternative Facts of the 21st Century* concretize the rumors, misconceptions, lies, and conspiracies that have circulated since the beginning of the new millennium. Through playful representation, the 'paramonuments' give shape to questionable stories, claims, and events that are often taken at face value as a result of human ignorance. Each sculpture is accompanied by a brief text that lends credibility to the 'alternative fact' being memorialized. The series sheds light on the fine line between fact and fiction, prompting recognition of the motivations and falsities behind consumed media.

Smith, Ibghy & Lemmens engage the ordinarily passive viewer by encouraging a re-evaluation of their own positioning. What are the systems and constructions in place that dictate how we perceive news, media, art? Who is really in charge?

About Jane Lombard Gallery

Jane Lombard Gallery was founded in New York in 1995 as Lombard-Freid Projects. Currently located in TriBeCa, the gallery has maintained its commitment to the work of emerging, mid-career, and established contemporary artists working across media and disciplines. The gallery continues to showcase an international roster of artists who tend toward cultural commentary and the exploration of contemporary socio-political climates.

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Howard Smith

Universe #31, 1991 - present Oil on linen Dimensions Variable Offered in groupings of 3+ (14214)



Howard Smith

Reds within Yellow over Orange, 2023 oil on linen 32 x 30 in (14757)



Howard Smith

Blues, pink, yellow, 2015 oil on linen 28.5 x 22 in (13217)



Howard Smith

Cobalt Violet Dark, #8, 2023 oil on canvas 24 x 20 in (14755)



Howard Smith

Red within Red, 2023 oil on linen 36 x 30 in (14756)



Howard Smith

Payne's Gray with yellow, ca. 2018 oil on canvas 20 x 16 in (14753)



Howard Smith Flamingo, 2010 oil on canvas 30 x 28 in (13218)



Howard Smith On CGLV, 2020 Oil on linen 17.25 x 15 in (14201)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens
Pope for Trump, 2021
Ceramic
16 x 12 x 12 in
(14147)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens
The Great Reset, 2022
Ceramic
20 x 6 x 4.5 in
(14378)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens Greta, 2022 Ceramic 10.5 x 12 x 10 in (14382)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens Pebbles, 2024 Ceramic 10 x 10 x 11 in (14749)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens *Gaddafi's Speech*, 2024

Ceramic 8 x 8 x 11 in (14750)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

The US Government's Secret Weather-Control System, 2021 Ceramic 12 x 14 x 9 in (14146)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

Pizzagate, 2022 Ceramic 5 x 23 x 14.5 in (14369)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

Mastermind, 2022 Ceramic 12 x 6 x 4 in (14370)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

Flat Earth, 2022 Ceramic 7.5 x 10 x 7.5 in (14377)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

Lance Armstrong's Seven Tour de France Wins, 2022 Ceramic 22.5 x 10 x 7.5 in (14376)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

Intracultural and Intercultural Negotiations, 2022 Colored paper, glue, ink on paper 32.75 x 24.75 in (Framed) 30.25 x 22.5 in (Unframed) (14389)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

Mobile Phone Call Sequence of an Individual, 2022 Colored paper, glue, ink on paper 32.75 x 24.75 in (Framed) 30.25 x 22.5 in (Unframed) (14390)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

Unusual Bite Injuries in Children, 2022 Colored paper, glue, ink on paper 32.75 x 24.75 in (Framed) 30.25 x 22.5 in (Unframed) (14391)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

The Colour of the Universe / Previously Assumed / Actual, 2022
Colored paper, glue, ink on paper
32.75 x 24.75 in (Framed)
30.25 x 22.5 in (Unframed)
(14394)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

Customers Revealing Needs and Needs Identified, 2022 Colored paper, glue, ink on paper

32.75 x 24.75 in (Framed) 30.25 x 22.5 in (Unframed) (14392)



Richard Ibghy & Marilou Lemmens

Firing Sequence of a Single Neuron, 2022 Colored paper, glue, ink on paper 32.75 x 24.75 in (Framed) 30.25 x 22.5 in (Unframed) (14393)