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HIER AM RAND – STEFAN STOCKFLETH

Vernissage: Thursday, June 06, 2013, 7 pm
Exhibition: June 07, 2013 – July 13, 2013
Introduction: Galerie ART CRU Berlin, Oranienburger Str. 27, 10117 Berlin, Germany
Barbara Friedrich
Pro Seniore
Music: Delia Kassi and Vincent Julien Piot
Voice and electric piano

Galerie ART CRU Berlin presents paintings by **Stefan Stockfleth**. Part of the exhibition are about 20 works, acrylic on canvas, in medium and large scale formats. It's the first cooperation of the artist with Galerie ART CRU Berlin. Recently Stockfleth's works have been on display in a solo show at the Kleisthaus on Mauerstraße.

In the majority of Stefan Stockfleth's works you can see black, dense compositions in front of a white or monochrome background. These constructs – levitating, yet grave - seem like sculptures perfect in form, combined intuitively from abstract, dynamic forms and figurative image elements. Other works show figures in front of luminously glowing colour fields. These figures are either isolated or sometimes arranged to moving scenes full of life and sorrow.

In his work process Stockfleth first concentrates on the single elements, that will later form the big picture. He starts spontaneously by printing paint widely on the white canvas. After time and careful consideration he starts to work on the printed paint, draws lines and connects them to form perfected shapes. The direction of his work can change with every new element that Stockfleth encounters while his paintings come into being. He creates gestalts from his fantasy and meets ghosts from his past. The artist sums up his intuitively-flowing style of painting in one of his lyric texts: "Let's talk about intuition. As you might recognize, a trick of reason who thinks of intuition as instinct. The instinct is always going ahead. Between the spirits surreal ensembles are focusing towards galaxies (material)."

Stefan Stockfleth (born 1960, Wedel), trained carpenter has been painting since his youth and lived through many artistic phases. His work is constantly in flux, he changes techniques regularly, always aims to exhaust his painterly oeuvre. Often he works all through the night to finish paintings and compares himself to a hunter, who can't find peace without his catch. He is inspired by Barnett Newmann's colour field paintings and the work of Wolf Vostell.

Stefan Stockfleth lives and works in a social therapeutic living project (STW).

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The **social therapeutic living project** is an independent department of Pro Seniore Krankenhaus Meinekestraße GmbH and addresses women and men age 18-60 with psychiatric experiences who cannot handle their everyday living without protective measures. The overall goal is to support personal development and the ability to participate in society.

Galerie ART CRU Berlin is Berlin's only gallery for so-called Outsider Art since 2008. The term (introduced in 1945 by painter Jean Dubuffet as "Art Brut") refers to art by people with psychiatric diseases or mental disabilities. The gallery's main focus is to reduce the distance between established art and Outsider Art. Furthermore it aims at interconnecting the artists and their scenes. Being located at the Kunsthof in Oranienburger Straße, the gallery doesn't just present works by people with disabilities right in the centre of the art scene, it also increases their public visibility. Galerie ART CRU Berlin is carried by the non-profit federation PS-Art e.V. Berlin (network of different institutions) lead by Alexandra Gersdorff-Bultmann and her son Nikolaj Bultmann.

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Fuck-Oh-Shima, 2011, acrylic on canvas, 100x70



Vektor Skalar Grafik Verdikt, 2013,
acrylic on canvas, 120x150



Warnung-Spielzeug, 2011, acrylic on canvas, 70x100



Sonnentanz, 2012, acrylic on canvas, 170x150

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