

**NATALIA HUG GALLERY**

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**Jan Pleitner**

**Painting Is No Business.**

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Opening Reception Friday, September 5, 18 – 22 hr.

The exhibition is part of DC Open

Natalia Hug Gallery is delighted to present a solo exhibition with Dusseldorf based artist Jan Pleitner. This is the artist's first exhibition with the gallery.

The abstract paintings of Jan Pleitner use familiar modes of perception as a system to generate a space for both the creation of the work and its subsequent reception by its audience. Seemingly exhausted strategies such as perspective, foreground /background, light/dark and psychedelic colours, are chosen for their symbolic value and sought to open up a possibility of re-framing the notion of painting. Pleitner's oeuvre here is the product of an instinctive but self-imposed and (perhaps contradictory) self-aware dive into the subconscious; a place the artist refuses to surface from until a multi-faceted satisfaction of form and content is met.

Pleitner (b.1984, Oldenburg, Germany) graduated from Dusseldorf Academie (prof. Tal. R and Jorg Immendorf). His work was exhibited at Ancient and Modern (2014, London, UK), Kerlin Gallery (2014, Dublin, UK), Michael Andersen (2013, Berlin), Neues Westdeutschland (2012, Berlin) among other venues. Pleitner was the subject of a solo exhibition at Stadtmuseum Oldenburg in 2013. He lives and works in Dusseldorf.

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