

Ten Painters' Shows to Visit After Gallery Weekend Berlin

Highlights from Gallery Weekend Berlin

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Though this year's edition covered all artistic media, painting continues to dominate the market. In Europe, Berlin is synonymous with electronic music, fashion and art. A city that was still relatively poor fifteen years ago has become one of the world's most progressive metropolises, primarily attracting young people who go there to take in the current trends. This has not been prevented even by the city's gentrification, astronomical rent prices and the costly lifestyle which have characterised the city over the last few years. Gentrification has already led to several relocations of the art scene – studios and galleries have moved across town either in order to cope with high rent prices, or to get closer to potential clients. Berlin belongs among Europe's most dynamic art centres and Gallery Weekend Berlin is an event focused on attracting clients, curators and artists directly into the authentic milieu of the city's galleries... Peres Projects is another progressive gallery dedicated to exhibiting young artists and successfully selling their work on the art market. Contrasting with last year's visually provocative show by Rebecca Ackroyd, much reflected in the media, this year Peres Projects also put on a traditional exhibition of paintings – the abstract works of Beth Letain (born 1976).



Peres Projects: Beth Letain, "uptrapath" (Installation View). Courtesy of Peres Projects, Berlin, Photo: Matthias Kolb.