

FRANCINE TINT: THE SKY IS A MIRROR

September 7 – October 14, 2023
23 East 67th Street



NEW YORK, NY - Upsilon Gallery is pleased to announce a solo exhibition of seminal works by Francine Tint titled *The Sky Is A Mirror*, on view from September 7 to October 14, 2023. The show will feature new paintings by the artist. An opening reception will be held on September 7th, 6pm - 8pm.

Tint's visual vocabulary of abstraction creates expressive paintings that excite the eye with energy, light and color. "The emphasis in [her] luminous work is on the sensual properties of color and surface" (David Ebony, Art Critic, Art in America). Driven by the boundless possibilities of a large-scale canvas, the artist works in a variety of

methods that include paint pours, drawing and collage. Art critic Karen Wilkin reviewed in Art in America: "Francine's strengths have always been her idiosyncratic sense of color, her ability to draw energetically at large scale, and her refusal to make ingratiating pictures."

Light glows from these paintings, and their wide expanses of dominant color grasp the viewer's attention. But soon, broad and unfettered brushstrokes emerge as the most salient quality of Tint's art. And what these brushstrokes—which are at once very wide lines and independent linear shapes—add up to is structure. This structure, however, extends the plane into space, as Tint's most recent paintings are characterized by the addition of collage. As a result, the artist disrupts the flatness of the picture plane with the materials of the picture plane itself. Over the decades, Tint has continued to create abstract works in this and other veins, constantly pushing the limits of surface, depth, color, and form in order to wrest something new and surprising from the centuries-old practice of painting. *The Sky Is A Mirror* makes evident that paint and canvas are just raw materials – it takes an artist like Francine Tint to transform them into something magical.

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Tint has exhibited with prominent galleries internationally, and her work is included in major collections around the world including the Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase, NY; the Portland Art Museum; the Museum of Art, Fort Lauderdale, FL; the El Paso Museum of Art; the Bass Museum of Art, Miami, FL; the Mobile Museum of Art; the Tampa Museum of Art, among many others.

On the occasion of *Francine Tint: The Sky Is A Mirror*, a full color exhibition catalogue will be published, with contributing essay by art writer and historian Alex Grimley. For further information, please contact: **info@upsilongallery.com**.

Upsilon Gallery is located at 23 East 67th Street, New York, NY 10065. Exhibition hours are Tuesday to Friday 10:00 AM-6:00 PM, Saturday 10AM-5PM & by appointment. Please contact the gallery at (646) 476-4190 or email at info@upsilongallery.com for further details.

Image: Francine Tint, *Bleeding Hearts*, 2023, acrylic and collage on canvas, 43 x 67 in. (109.2 x 170.2 cm).

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