## GALERIE JOCHEN HEMPEL $\mathbf{X}$ JONATHAN FERRARA GALLERY

# EXCHANGE

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JONATHAN FERRARA GALLERY is proud to announce the Berlin installment of the international gallery exchange exhibition with **Galerie Jochen Hempel**. In January 2016, eight German artists represented by Galerie Jochen Hempel, chosen by the curatorial team at JFG, exhibited in New Orleans and from June 24 – July 31, 2016, eight artists represented by Jonathan Ferrara Gallery, chosen by the curatorial team at GJH, will exhibit in Berlin. The New Orleans installation of *EXCHANGE* featured the work of German artists Hartwig Ebersbach, Uwe Frauendorf, Gerhard Gäbler, Matthias Hoch, Harald Kirschner, Peter Krauskopf, Sven Kroner and Ulf Puder. The Berlin installation will feature the work of American artists **Margaret Evangeline, Bonnie Maygarden, Adam Mysock, Nikki Rosato, Marna Shopoff, Sidonie Villere and Paul Villinski**. The opening reception in Berlin will be on Friday June 24, 2016 from 6-9pm with Jonathan Ferrara and Gallery Director Matthew Showman in attendance.

Jonathan Ferrara Gallery continually strives to broaden the scope of its practice and expand its international offerings. This unique collaboration with Galerie Jochen Hempel highlights this growth. Representing two hotbeds of creative talent, Berlin and New Orleans, the galleries are teaming up to present two reciprocal exhibitions in each city. The intent is to foster a dialogue between the two galleries and the two cities while presenting works by artists for the first time in the respective cities.

*EXCHANGE* will be a continuing project of Jonathan Ferrara Gallery with future collaborations each year to expand the gallery's international reach. The next installment will be in late 2017 between Mexico City and New Orleans with world-renowned curator and Prospect Biennial founder, Dan Cameron, signed on to curate





the exhibitions in both cities.

### About GJH

**Galerie Jochen Hempel** was founded in 1992 in Leipzig, Germany by its owner and director Jochen Hempel. Between 1993 and 1998, Hempel also ran a project space in Berlin, called Dogenhaus Projekte Berlin in addition to the Leipzig gallery. GJH opened its Berlin space in July 2011 and continues the work of Dogenhaus Galerie. Dogenhaus' longstanding collaborations with artists and collectors create an excellent basis for the work of the current gallery. The Berlin gallery is located near the historic Checkpoint Charlie and the Leipzig gallery is at Baumwollspinnerei Leipzig, a former industrial site, which developed to a lively place for contemporary art. The old steam engine hall in Leipzig offers a unique exhibition space with the versatility and scale of the space allowing the gallery to strive towards fulfilling its commitment to museum quality presentations in its approach to exhibiting its artists. The gallery is located at Lindenstraße 35, 10969 Berlin.

#### About JFG

**JONATHAN FERRARA GALLERY** is a collective environment of creative visions featuring monthly exhibitions of (inter)national, emerging to established, contemporary artists. A commercial gallery with a public conscience, artist, activist, and entrepreneur Jonathan Ferrara founded the gallery in 1998 to give artists a voice. Since its inception, the gallery has focused on forward thinking artists with a sense of purpose, mission, and message. The gallery is known for its stimulating and provocative exhibitions in a wide variety of media, having been featured in The New York Times, Art In America, The Art Newspaper, The Associated Press, ArtNews, NPR and many other international publications. The gallery regularly exhibits at art fairs in the US and Europe and works with museum and institutions to present its artists works.

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