ROSAMUND FELSEN GALLERY

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The next exhibition at ROSAMUND FELSEN GALLERY will be:

April 20 - May 19, 2012

Kim MacConnel

ABRACADABRA

Opening Reception: Friday, April 20, 6-8pm



Rosamund Felsen Gallery is pleased to present *ABRACADABRA*, an exhibition of new works by **Kim MacConnel**. This will be MacConnel's 6th solo exhibition at our gallery. *ABRACADABRA* features works of brightly colored, high-gloss enamel on board. The exhibition is made up of large, multi-part pieces composed of small individual panels, grouped and aligned according to pattern and size. In addition, the exhibition will include a wide range of smaller paintings.

Through the use of patterning, bright colors, and careful attention to surface and material, Kim MacConnel has consistently referenced non-Western and non-art practices and concerns. In doing so, MacConnel advocates for an expansion and disruption of the norms of previously sanctified high art orthodoxy, even while using many of its tropes.

MacConnel's new work emerges from of a loosely defined set of rules that investigate the iterative process of making work under imposed restrictions. MacConnel begins with a handful of patterns and panel sizes upon which to paint. From within the finite number of combinations of pattern and size, MacConnel gets to work, hand-painting each pattern, without masking, often working on several pieces simultaneously. This part of the process is intuitive and without direction. Once complete, there are no two pieces exactly alike, the works varying in color and character. From within a limited set of constraints, seemingly innumerable configurations appear.

Kim MacConnel lives and works in Encinitas, California. Recent one-person exhibitions include Salomon Contemporary in New York, 2012, and Quint Contemporary in La Jolla, 2011. MacConnel is Professor Emeritus of Art at UC San Diego.

Please join us at the gallery for a special artist talk with Kim MacConnel on Saturday, May 5 at 10am. This is a unique event held in conjunction with Craig Krull Gallery, where artist Nancy Monk will be speaking about her exhibition, *Black Matter*.

Please join us for the opening reception on FRIDAY, April 20, from 6 – 8 pm and for an informal artist talk on Saturday, May 5 at 10am For more information, please call the gallery: (310) 828-8488 Gallery Hours: 10 am – 5:30 pm, Tuesday – Saturday