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AMEL BENNYS (Tunisian, born in 1970 in Tunis, Tunisia, lives & works in Brooklyn, NY)

Bennys, an abstract painter and sculptor, uses color as equally a structure as a three-dimensional object in space. Layered textures and pigments define much of her work. This exploration of texture and material gives way to the visual knowledge of form through coloration. For the artist, color becomes a point of departure in exploring the depths of architectural form. In her paintings one can note the manner in which color acts as a constructive tool: the purity of pigment stands flat on the canvas and thus become a structure in and of itself. Bennys'paintings are lyrical and exist as a natural and fluid extension of sculptural figuration. Bennys'practice exists within the realm of incessant layering of flat pigments, the "tableau" becomes the art object as a three-dimensional structure. AMEL BENNYS, FOR YOUR EYES ONLY, presents the artist's most recent works developed in New York in 2017 and 2018 revealing Bennys layered textures and pigments noteworthy of her signature process.

Amel Bennys has a MFA from Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-Arts de Paris. She has received several awards including: **Villa Medicis** "Hors les Murs", "**Les Etoiles de la Peinture**"prize, which resulted in an exhibition at the **Maeght** Galleries, Montrouge and Barcelone. In 2012, she has been invited by the **Josef & Anni Albers Foundation** (Bethany, CT). Her work has been reviewed in Le Monde Diplomatique, Gazette Drouot Auction, French television FR3 & ARTE.

Her work is in prestigious collections such as: The Cleveland Museum of Art. Ohio, U.S.A., Agnès B. private collection, Alain Press



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