

For immediate release:

ALAN NEIDER
BLANKET PAINTINGS

January 18- February 5, 2017

Opening:

Sunday January 22, 1- 5 PM



Brooklyn, NY – **ART 3** gallery is pleased to present a solo exhibition featuring works by **Alan Neider**. This will be **Neider's** first solo exhibition with the gallery. On view at **ART 3** gallery, 109 Ingraham Street, Bushwick, Brooklyn, from January 18 to February 5, 2017, Wed-Sat 12-6 PM, Sun 1-5 PM. The opening will take place on Sunday January 22, 2017, 1- 5 PM.

"Long before combining painting and sculpture became a popular strategy for painters, Neider was constructing three-dimensional objects – including lamps, chairs, curtains, and non-objective forms – to paint on. Neider's large-scale paintings often droop off the wall, but the vigorous paint handling defies the abjectness of the objects themselves."

Sharon Butler for *Two Coats of Paint*, February 2, 2016

Influenced by graffiti art, Albert Oehlen, Robert Morris, Sigmar Polke and New York Streets, the paintings of Alan Neider are an expression of the artist's continued commitment to painting on and into challenging surfaces and materials (plaster, fabric, garments, ceramics, cement and wood).

Blanket Paintings (2015), exhibited at ART 3, showcases four of Neider's blankets made with materials such as sewing and textured fabrics. When hung, they naturally fold and drape, creating majestic shapes reminiscent of a Japanese kimono. Neider paints with the fabric. The painted areas are the result of many successive layers of color applied with brushes. The marks, colors and shapes are spontaneous. The artist's aim is to stop the viewer to see and discover what those sculptural shapes made of fabric, textures, and colors reveal.

Alan Neider has been making art for over forty years. He received his MFA in sculpture from Washington University, St. Louis, MO; and his BFA in ceramics from California State University, Long Beach, CA. Neider has shown work in numerous solo and group exhibitions. His work can be found in the flat files at Pierogi and Artspace (Connecticut). He has completed several public art commissions, including a free-standing painting titled *Lake Dance* on top of Navy Pier in Chicago IL. Neider has been awarded a grant from the Connecticut Commission on the Arts and a Robert Rauschenberg Change Inc. Work Grant. His work has been written about and reviewed in *Art in America*, *Washington Post*, *Chicago Tribune*, *The New Art Examiner*, *ArtForum*, *Art New England*, *Hyperallergic* and *Two Coats of Paint*.

ART 3 gallery is a dynamic contemporary art gallery located in Bushwick's vibrant arts district. Established in February 2014 by Silas Shabelewska, formerly of Haunch of Venison (Christie's) and Helly Nahmad Gallery NY. The gallery focuses on works by emerging and mid-career artists. Please contact ART 3 for further information at info@art-3gallery.com

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