

**JESSE GREENBERG**

***Face Scan***

APRIL 30 - MAY 30, 2015

OPENING RECEPTION: THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 6-8PM

Derek Eller Gallery pleased to present *Face Scan*, a solo exhibition of new work by Jesse Greenberg.

Working primarily with pigmented plastic, Greenberg pushes the material beyond its perceived limits. Through regimented experimentation and alchemical conjurings, he has developed a variety of forms via an evolution of accidents. In *Face Scan*, these material experiments create a vocabulary which gives figuration to abstract ideas about connectivity, surveillance, and communicative prosthetic technologies.

Greenberg's sculptures are as familiar as they are discomfoting, suggesting functionality without purpose. Walls come alive with a material trompe l'oeil of membranes and percolating bubbles. Pieces are seemingly activated by human presence as lenses peer out through drooping colors and undulating shapes. Biological forms and hard-edged designs collapse into one another as welded steel armatures suggest skeletal remains or mounting hardware for complex equipment. Greenberg has created controls and conditions for a petri-dish to grow and contaminate a painterly stew which contains a palette that is alternately seductive and repulsive. Works that are at once illusionary and abstract oppose the pictorial not by referencing their own material and history, but by creating something genuinely alien.

Greenberg has had solo and two-person exhibitions at Loyal Gallery, Malmo, Sweden; White Flag Projects, St. Louis, MS; and Kansas, New York, NY. His work has also been included in *Control Lapse*, Josh Lilley Gallery, London; *Trouble Everyday*, Vogt Gallery, New York; Queens International: *Three Points Make a Triangle*, Queens Museum of Art, New York; *I Know This But You Feel Different*, Marc Jancou, New York. Greenberg has recently been awarded the Shandanken residency at Storm King Art Center, New Windsor, NY. This will be his second exhibition at the gallery.

Derek Eller Gallery is located at 615 West 27th Street, between 11th and 12th Avenues. Hours are Tuesday - Saturday, 11 am - 6 pm. For further information or images, please contact the gallery at 212-206-6411 or visit [www.derekeller.com](http://www.derekeller.com).