

ART 3

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In project Room
CARIN RILEY
LINEAR FIGURATIONS
June 8 – July 15, 2016



Opening:
Friday, June 17, 6- 9 PM

Brooklyn, NY – **ART 3** gallery is pleased to present a solo exhibition **Linear Figurations** featuring works by **Carin Riley**. this will be **Riley's** first solo exhibition with the gallery. On view at **ART 3** gallery, 109 Ingraham Street, Bushwick, Brooklyn, from June 8 to July 15, 2016, Wed-Sat 12-6 PM, Sun 1-5 PM. The opening will take place on Friday, June 17, from 6-9 PM.

An abstractionist who frequently works on paper, Riley's production has been characterized by elegance, etherealness, fluidity and a beguiling reserve. *"Dreams"*, she says, *"have been an important source of imagery"* although she has a roving, imaginative eye that is also captivated by what she sees in the world. Her palette is often restricted to a scale of grey, from white, near white to black combined with earth shades, although she has explored more colors. Her configurations are composed of pirouetting lines and distinctive shapes that she surrounds with abundant space. While she remains an abstract artist, she has experimented with the more figurative, her newest work sensitively poised between the abstract and the representational, her motifs often based on the still lifes that have so long engaged her.

Carin Riley was born in New York City and raised on the South Shore of Long Island. Riley attended the School of Visual Arts, New York in the 1970s where she studied painting. Minimalism and Postminimalism were the prevailing styles and she was fortunate in her teachers: Robert Ryman, Robert Mangold, Richard Serra, Brice Marden and Richard Artschwager, who notably and presciently merged art and design, affirming what she naturally gravitated toward. After SVA, Riley received an MFA from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago in 1973.

Riley has worked as a photographer, the medium integral to her practice as a whole. However, she turned almost exclusively to painting and drawing, her motifs often based on the still lifes that have so long engaged her. She was featured in *"Out of Line,"* a group show at Slag Gallery in Chelsea in 2010 and exhibited in *"Unfreedom"* at the Smudajescheck Galerie in Ulm, Germany in 2011. She had a solo show at the Weber Fine Art Gallery in Greenwich, Connecticut in June, 2013 and a solo, *"Adaptive Traits,"* at the Smudajescheck Galerie in September-October, 2013.

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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