

For Immediate Release:

SUE WILLIAMS

April 6 – May 18, 2002

Opening Reception: Saturday, April 6 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm

303 Gallery is pleased to present new paintings and drawings by Sue Williams.

Sue Williams' new paintings tease out the possibility of content driven abstraction. In the new work, the brushstrokes are fuller, wider, and have ripened to include gradations of color in each movement. The emotionality of her gestures, combined with extremely focused and intentional color combinations suggest sub-texts lying in wait. In *Pastel Slice*, arches of cheerful colors swoop sparingly through the white space. The white field functions as a muted punctuation, supporting the skirting gestures, ideas really, waiting to be absorbed. Maintaining her serious dedication to the intuitive process, Williams accompanies these linear expressions with a new palette that features a vibrant spectrum of muted neon and translucent pastels.

Williams' work gained attention in the late 80's, when her paintings of epic survival echoed and argued with Post-Feminist critiques and dialogues. The last years have Williams less concerned with specific illustration and more interested in the possibility of merging figurative representation and abstraction, combining and slipping between the two without limitations of genres or perceptions.

This exhibition will also include a new series of large framed ink drawings on acetate. These maintain the calligraphic and linear quality of earlier drawings, but also begin to incorporate some of the broad gestures of the current paintings, forming a distinctive bridge between the two mediums.

Sue Williams currently has a one person exhibition at the Palm Beach Institute of Contemporary Art. She will also have solo show at the Vienna Secession in the Fall of 2002.

303 Gallery represents the work of Doug Aitken, Laylah Ali, Thomas Demand, Inka Essenhigh, Hans-Peter Feldmann, Maureen Gallace, Tim Gardner, Rodney Graham, Karen Kilimnik, Liz Larner Kristin Oppenheim, Collier Schorr, Stephen Shore, Sue Williams, and Jane and Louise Wilson.

303 Gallery is open Tuesday-Saturday from 10 am - 6 pm.

For further information please visit us at www.303gallery.com or contact Lisa Spellman or Mari Spirito.