## GAGOSIAN GALLERY

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## **CHRISTOPHER WOOL**

Thursday, March 2 – Saturday, April 8, 2006 Opening reception for the artist: Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6 – 8pm

Gagosian Gallery is delighted to present an exhibition of new paintings by Christopher Wool. This will be Wool's first major solo show in Los Angeles since his retrospective at the Museum of Contemporary Art in 1998.

For this exhibition, Christopher Wool continues his exploration of conventional painting, through a combined array of painterly techniques, including spray paint, silkscreen, and hand painting. Commonly known for his restricted palette, these new works surprisingly introduce colors, such as pink and brown, but they are primarily single-color canvases. Yet the emphasis remains on painterly technique and the works' formal properties. Wool provides tension between painting and erasing, gesture and removal, depth and flatness.

Born in 1955 in Chicago, Christopher Wool is an internationally exhibited artist whose work has been shown in major museums and galleries including Museum Boymans-van Beuningen, Rotterdam, The Netherlands; the Museum of Modern Art, New York; and PS 1 Contemporary Arts Center, Long Island City, NY.

A fully illustrated catalogue featuring an essay by Richard Hell will accompany this exhibition.

For further information, please contact the gallery.