

GAGOSIAN GALLERY

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GAGOSIAN OPENS NEW GALLERY IN ROME

On December 15, 2007, Gagosian will inaugurate a new gallery in Rome with “Three Notes from Salalah,” an exhibition by Cy Twombly.

Cy Twombly (b.1928) has lived and worked in Rome and Lexington, Virginia since the late 1950's. In 2001 he was awarded the Golden Lion at the 49th Venice Biennale. Twombly, who has made many significant exhibitions with Gagosian Gallery, will be the subject of a retrospective survey at Tate Modern in 2008.

Gagosian Gallery Rome is situated in the very center of the city between the Via Veneto and the Spanish Steps. It occupies 750 square meters on the ground and mezzanine levels of a former bank, built in 1921. One of its outstanding features is an oval space measuring 23 meters by 13 meters with a ceiling height of 6 meters.

The gallery has been designed by Rome-based architect Firouz Galdo in collaboration with the London-based practice, Caruso St John. The renovation has transformed the space into a state-of-the-art contemporary gallery while retaining its distinctively Roman character.

Larry Gagosian comments: “I am delighted to open a gallery in Rome, a powerful source of inspiration for artists of all times. We look forward to becoming part of the cultural life of this extraordinary city.”

Opened in 1979 in New York by Larry Gagosian, Gagosian Gallery is considered to be one of the world's foremost modern and contemporary art galleries. With the addition of the Rome gallery, there are now seven galleries worldwide, including three in New York, one in Beverly Hills and two in London. Architects of the other galleries include Richard Gluckman (New York), Richard Meier (Beverly Hills), and Caruso St John (London).

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Gagosian Gallery has organized important exhibitions by many leading international artists including Francis Bacon, Joseph Beuys, Georg Baselitz, Jean Michel Basquiat, Alighiero e Boetti, Cecily Brown, Francesco Clemente, Walter De Maria, Alberto Giacometti, Douglas Gordon, Marc Grotjahn, Richard Hamilton, Damien Hirst, Howard Hodgkin, Mike Kelley, Anselm Kiefer, Willem de Kooning, Jeff Koons, Roy Lichtenstein, Mario Merz, Pino Pascali, Pablo Picasso, Richard Prince, Anselm Reyle, Ed Ruscha, Jenny Saville, Richard Serra, David Smith, Philip Taaffe, Robert Therrien, Cy Twombly, Piotr Ukiński, Francesco Vezzoli, Andy Warhol, Franz West, Rachel Whiteread, and Christopher Wool.

Exhibition opening December 15, 2007, 4–8pm

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