

GAGOSIAN GALLERY

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GAGOSIAN GALLERY AT BARVIKHA LUXURY VILLAGE
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Friday, 19 October–Sunday, 28 October 2007

Opening reception: Thursday, October 18th, from 8.30 to 10.30 pm

Gagosian Gallery is pleased to announce its inaugural exhibition in Moscow of major works by today's leading artists.

International contemporary art in Russia is a recent phenomenon, but interest in it is growing apace. The first Moscow Biennale of Contemporary Art was held in 2005 and the World Fine and Contemporary Art Fairs have enjoyed several successful years. In Europe and the United States, ambitious Russian collectors are making an impact on both primary and secondary art markets.

Given these converging factors, Gagosian Gallery together with Prime Concept have taken the initiative to present an autonomous exhibition in Moscow of premium quality paintings, drawings, sculptures, photographs, and exclusive limited edition furniture by some of the world's most renowned living artists, as well as rare masterpieces by seminal figures in twentieth century modern art.

In this richly diverse exhibition, the senior vanguard sets standards as exacting as they are thrilling, from the visceral yet cerebral emanations of Cy Twombly and Richard Serra, to the coolly ironic images of Edward Ruscha and Ilya and Emilia Kabakov. Contemporary painting is at its most vibrant and provocative with recent works by Cecily Brown, Glenn Brown, John Currin, Dexter Dalwood, Jenny Saville, Philip Taaffe, and Christopher Wool, and others, each with their distinctive obsessions and highly refined techniques. Sculpture finds a fourth dimension in Tom Friedman's work, where everyday materials and forms become complex and funny. Edgy conceptualists Douglas Gordon, Piotr Uklanski, and Francesco Vezzoli work fluidly across many mediums including film, language, and installation. Also featured are major works by contemporary art world giants Damien Hirst, Jeff Koons, and Richard Prince, as well as neo-pop art phenomenon, Takashi Murakami. Limited edition furniture—an increasingly sought-after category of contemporary artistic production—is represented in the highly crafted and engineered elegance of designer Marc Newson.

This stellar assembly of living artists is crowned by a selection of master works—paintings, drawings, and sculptures—by modern legends such as Willem de Kooning, Arshile Gorky, Roy Lichtenstein, Joan Miró, Pablo Picasso, Mark Rothko, and Andy Warhol.

Gagosian Gallery would like to thank Prime Concept and Alfa Bank and Insurance for helping to bring this important exhibition to Moscow.

For press information please contact the gallery for more details.