

For Immediate Release

Melissa Polhamus

Labyrinths - Recent Watercolors

Melissa Polhamus' large-scale watercolors seem to burst forth. She has tucked away figures and creatures, which are flattened like Egyptian hieroglyphs and, at the same time, are as jagged as a serrated knife. Mixing Surrealist composition with an almost Op-Art decoration, these labyrinthine works snatch the floor out from under you and tilt it sideways and upside-down.

Polhamus, a self-taught artist, is showing her work for the first time in New York. It opens another great season at Luise Ross Gallery.

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