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#TBT

Marina Adams | Siri Berg | Dennis Hollingsworth | Shirley Jaffe Jill Levine | David Rhodes | Rebecca Smith | Joan Waltemath

OPENING JUNE 4, 2015 | Artists reception: 6:00-8:00 PM Gallery Summer Hours: Wednesday – Saturday, 1:00-6:00 PM



Rebecca Smith, *Breastfeeding Piece*, 1993; plaster on aluminum base, egg tempura paint, 31.25x16.5x13 in.



Dennis Hollingsworth, *Dead Reckoning: Juliet*, 1994-95; oil and alkyd on canvas over wood panel, 72x72 in.



Jill Levine, *Cookie*, 1988; oil paint, Styrofoam, modeling compound, 26x17x4.5 in.

New York, NY (May 21, 2015) Hionas Gallery is pleased to present the group exhibition #TBT, comprised of select vintage works from the 1970s, 80s, and 90s by Marina Adams, Siri Berg, Dennis Hollingsworth, Shirley Jaffe, Jill Levine, David Rhodes, Rebecca Smith, and Joan Waltemath. Curated by Peter Hionas, this exhibition highlights rare works by accomplished contemporary artists as they were coming into their own, each discovering and experimenting with the visual building blocks that would soon form each respective singular language.

For Rebecca Smith, painted plaster would give way to painting-sculpture hybrids comprised of conjoined steel bars off set by interference paint; for Dennis Hollingsworth, canvases saturated in an Alkyd compound would evolve into a pure impasto medium of viscous oils; and for Jill Levine, her lifelike-cum-abstract sculptural forms would become distinct totems steeped in a mixture of Pop and mythology.

For anyone familiar with any of these artists' bodies of work, this glimpse into the not-so-distant past is an education in how painterly languages take root and how artists discover that abstraction, in all its varied shapes and forms, is an exercise in control and a lack thereof.

All of the exhibited artists, with the exception of Shirley Jaffe, have previously exhibited solo shows with Hionas Gallery, as well as been included in previous group shows. A full listing of all past gallery exhibitions can be accessed here.

The opening reception for #TBT will take place on Thursday evening, June 4, beginning at 6:00 PM. A full color catalog of the artists' works, both past and present, will be available during the exhibition's run. For more information visit www.hionasgallery.com.

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