

Merlin James  
*Black Paintings*

Opening: Friday April 25th, 7pm  
Exhibition: April 26th to May 11th, open by appointment

In Autumn 2002, James installed a series of predominantly black paintings at Felixleiter–Raum für Kunst, a short-lived space on Tucholskystrasse in Berlin. In our studio we will re-present the same seven paintings that James exhibited twelve years ago. Populating this set of seven paintings is a range of subjects which include windows, doorways, interiors, and a cat.

As well as working on paintings often for extended periods, James frequently keeps works in his studio for a long time, re-exhibiting them in different contexts and combinations sometimes over many years. His solo shows frequently hang very new pictures next to works dating back to his student years in the early 1980's.

Merlin James was born in Cardiff, 1960. Recent solo exhibitions include *Sex Paintings* at OHIO, Glasgow, *Merlin James* at Parasol Unit, London, *Signal Box*, KW, Berlin and *Freestyle*, Kunstverein Freiburg.

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