

THE ART OF FACT

Featuring Anthony Lister

Opening reception: Thursday April 19, 6-9 PM

New York, NY – The legendary Australian painter Anthony Lister will be presenting a culturally significant and powerful body of work at Allouche Gallery on April 19th. The paintings on display, along with the title of the show, *THE ART OF FACT*, are filled with philosophical intention and mirror Lister's specific message, which is best described by the painter himself:

"I have a problem with the word 'art' and especially being titled an 'artist'. I feel that these are buzz words where all sorts of slithering pseudo creative types can hide in its ambiguous aura. My preference leans more towards the literal, therefore I refer to myself as a painter. For starters the word 'art' is far too short and (as far as I can decipher) is an abbreviation for the word artifact, is this correct of me to assume? If this is so then I find myself (in the context of contemporary language) making facts. This is where I begin to confuse myself and also feel a sense of overwhelming excitement and amusement because of the fact that if I am (for lack of a better word) in fact making art and the product of my function as a painter is factually unmistakably the literal manifestation of this thing we call 'art' I come to the realization that I am in essence a fact maker, which is quite an exciting realization for someone who has been called a dreamer of fantasy and imagination. I am unique and not quite domestic and therefore necessary. Facts are wonderful in theory. Theory is disastrous without action. Action speaks louder than words. They say a picture speaks a thousand words. This is a show about how I turned the word 'art' into the 'fact'. This being the case I imagine being told by people 'hey I like your fact' to which I will reply 'thank you'."

-- Anthony Lister

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For more information about the upcoming show at Allouche Gallery, please visit www.allouchegallery.com.