

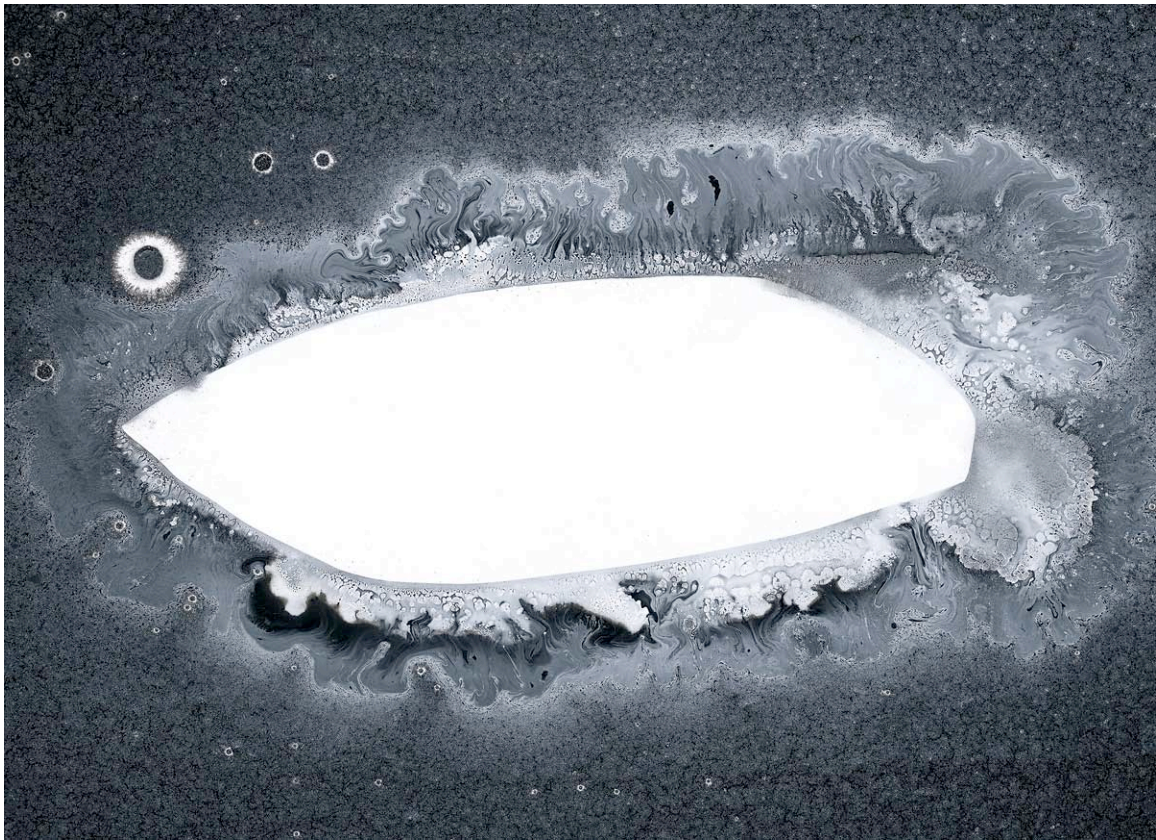
For Immediate Release (16 June 2010)

Republic Gallery is pleased to announce the upcoming solo exhibition:

Ryan Peter

SPACETIME!

Opening reception: Friday, June 25th, 6 - 8 pm
Showing: June 25th – August 7th



Ryan Peter's exhibition *SPACETIME!* explores the relationship between painting, materiality, and the photographic image, specifically the aesthetic and aural potential of materials in the era of digital manipulation and high definition television. To this end, he sought to minimize brushstrokes by working with heavily watered-down paints and mechanical techniques such as aerosol sprays on non-absorbent substrates like plastic or heavily varnished wood and canvas. Challenging

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modernist ideas of material unity, the fluid paints fail to merge with the substrates and instead dry very slowly on the surface. This material incompatibility, exacerbated by the inclusion of chemical resists, produces curious drying effects. The resultant forms and reticulations resemble photographic prints – quoting everything from the earliest daguerreotypes to more recent scientific photography such as photomicrographs and satellite imagery.

Based in Vancouver, Ryan Peter holds a BFA (2004) and an MFA (2008) from The University of British Columbia. He was a finalist for the 11th Annual RBC Canada Painting Competition, exhibited at the Musée d'art contemporain de Montréal and at The Power Plant Gallery in Toronto. He has participated in recent group exhibitions at The Morris and Helen Belkin Gallery and Equinox Gallery, Vancouver. In addition to his painting practice, Peter also works collaboratively with other artists. Most recently he has worked with Raymond Boisjoly on projects for exhibitions in Canada and the United States. This is Ryan Peter's first solo show with Republic Gallery.

SPACETIME! will be on view June 25th through August 7th with an artist reception on Friday, June 25th, 6-8pm. Regular gallery hours are 11am-5pm, Wednesday through Saturday, and by appointment.

Founded in Fall 2006, Republic Gallery exhibits emerging and mid-career Canadian and international artists. The gallery's roster includes artists working in installation, video, sculpture, photography, mixed media, and contemporary painting. A number of our artists work internationally, including recent residencies and exhibitions in Denmark, Germany, France, and the United States. Republic Gallery is currently taking part in Volta 6, Basel Switzerland, June 16th – 20th.

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