New Work: Painting Today, Recent Acquisitions

Exhibition Checklist

December 17, 1999 - March 2000

1 Artist Callum Innes

Title Monologue

Date 1998

Medium oil on linen

Dimensions 89 7/8 in. x 87 7/8 in. (228.28 cm x 223.2 cm)

Credit Line Gift of Elaine McKeon

2 Artist Udomsak Krisanamis

Title Ebony
Date 1998

Medium collage, acrylic, and noodles on silkscreen

Dimensions 72 in. x 48 in. (182.88 cm x 121.92 cm)

Credit Line New Forum Fund purchase

3 Artist Hung Liu

Title Loom

Date 1999

Medium oil on canvas

Dimensions 80 in. x 110 in. (203.2 cm x 279.4 cm)

Credit Line Purchased through a gift of Nelcy Tarics

4 Artist Antje Majewski

Title Bergsteiger I (Mountain Climber I)

Date 1998

Medium oil on canvas

Dimensions 74 13/16 in. x 37 3/8 in. (190 cm x 95 cm)

Credit Line John Caldwell, Curator of Painting and Sculpture, 1989-93,

Fund for Contemporary Art purchase

5 Artist Antje Majewski

Title Bergsteiger II (Mountain Climber II)

Date 1998

Medium oil on canvas

Dimensions 74 13/16 in. x 159 7/16 in. (190 cm x 405 cm)

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6 Artist Antje Majewski

Title Bergsteiger III (Mountain Climber III)

Date 1998

Medium oil on canvas

Dimensions 74 13/16 in. x 70 7/8 in. (190 cm x 180 cm)

Credit Line John Caldwell, Curator of Painting and Sculpture, 1989–93,

Fund for Contemporary Art purchase



7 Artist Deborah Oropallo

Title Railroad Crossing

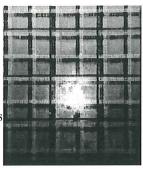
Date 1997

Medium oil on canvas

Dimensions 88 in. x 76 in. (223.52 cm x 193.04 cm)

Credit Line Purchased through the gifts of Helen and Charles Schwab, Doris

and Donald Fisher, and Anne Marie MacDonald



8 Artist Laura Owens

Title Untitled

Date 1998

Medium acrylic, watercolor and gum arabic on canvas

Dimensions 116 in. x 75 in. (294.64 cm x 190.5 cm)

Credit Line Gift of Shawn and Brook Byers



9 Artist Brett Reichman

Title A Painting That Tells a Story

Date 1997

Medium oil on canvas

Dimensions 96 in. x 72 in. (243.84 cm x 182.88 cm)

Credit Line Ruth Nash Fund purchase



10 Artist James Siena

Title Nesting, Connected

Date 1998

Medium enamel on aluminum

Dimensions 19 in. x 15 in. (48.26 cm x 38.1 cm)

Credit Line Gift of the American Academy of Arts and Letters

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11 Artist Hiroshi Sugito

Title Crossing the Sea

Date 1998

Medium acrylic, pigment, graphite, and colored pencil on cotton duck

Dimensions 68 in. x 80 in. (172.72 cm x 203.2 cm)

Credit Line Accessions Committee Fund purchase

12 Artist Hiroshi Sugito

Title The Net
Date 1998

Medium acrylic, pigment, graphite, and colored pencil on cotton duck

Dimensions 18 1/4 in. x 18 1/4 in. (46.36 cm x 46.36 cm)

Credit Line Accessions Committee Fund purchase

13 Artist Luc Tuymans

Title Couple
Date 1998

Medium oil on canvas

Dimensions 77 1/2 in. x 44 1/4 in. (196.85 cm x 112.4 cm)

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Norman Stone, and Pat and Bill Wilson

14 Artist Nicola Tyson

Title Red Self-Portrait

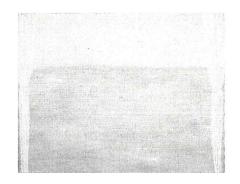
Date 1996

Medium oil and charcoal on canvas

Dimensions 72 in. x 66 in. (182.88 cm x 167.64 cm)

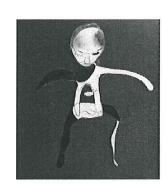
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15 Artist William Wood

Title Untitled

Date 1998

Medium oil with wax on canvas

Dimensions 36 in. x 30 in. (91.44 cm x 76.2 cm)

Credit Line New Forum Fund purchase



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SFMOMA HIGHLIGHTS WORK BY EMERGING CONTEMPORARY ARTISTS

The San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (SFMOMA) will feature the exhibition *New Work: Painting Today, Recent Acquisitions* from December 17, 1999, to March 28, 2000. Organized by Gary Garrels, Elise S. Haas Chief Curator and curator of painting and sculpture, and Janet Bishop, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Associate Curator of Painting and Sculpture, the exhibition includes 16 works by such rising young painters as Callum Innes, Udomsak Krisanamis, Antje Majewski, Deborah Oropallo, Laura Owens, Brett Reichman, James Siena, Hiroshi Sugito, Luc Tuymans, Nicola Tyson and William Wood, revealing the diverse range of abstract and figurative styles being developed by emerging contemporary artists in the United



Brett Reichman, A Painting That Tells a Story, 1997; Collection SFMOMA

States and beyond. The works on view have been acquired by SFMOMA through purchases and gifts within the last three years and are brought together as part of the Museum's New Work series, which features recent or commissioned work by both younger and established artists.

Among the works in the exhibition is the richly developed abstract painting *Ebony*, 1998, by Thai-born artist Udomsak Krisanamis. When the artist first arrived in the United States, he taught himself English by reading the newspaper and crossing out words he knew. This practice became the origin of a very personal working process of concealment and repetitive mark-making as the artist eventually replaced text with scintillating optical effects. *Ebony* also includes a layer of clear cellophane noodles, which add to the piece's luminosity and complexity.

The work of San Francisco-based artist Brett Reichman presents a vision of childhood as paradise lost. As a master of lush decorativeness, Reichman combines such elements as rococo frames, drapery and architectural details with flea market toys and media icons such as the Rice KrispiesTM characters Snap!, Crackle! and Pop! A Painting That Tells a Story, 1997, is one of the artist's most elaborate and richly developed paintings to date—a fin-de-siècle statement that addresses contemporary life and the perils of gay sexuality as it flouts traditional notions of "good art" and "good taste."