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# Art Unlimited Richard Jackson « Big Pig »



Big Pig (2009-2010) - fiberglass, aluminium, motor - 513 x 350 x 350 cm / 202 x 137 3/4 x 137 3/4 inches

"Though Jackson uses paint and canvas in many of his pieces, his are not paintings in the conventional sense. Instead, he employs the medium of paint to make sculpture, installations, and performancebased art-works. In his early works, Jackson used wet canvases to apply paint onto other canvases or onto walls of the exhibition space. Recently, he has been building mechanical works that shoot, spurt, and smear paint on various surfaces, including those of the gallery. To borrow an analogy from hunting, you could say that Jackson has always targeted painting in his works, not to slay it, but to expand its realm of possibilities: "it is my idea to push painting, not just in size, but to see how far it could be extended or pushed. I don't feel my work to be criticism of painting but an optimistic view of what it could be"."

Julien Bismuth, "The Paintings of Richard Jackson", in exh. cat.
Richard Jackson, Haswellerdiger & co., Nyehaus, Hauser & Wirth,
Galerie GP & N Vallois. 2005.

Big Pig is a monumental sculpture of a pig's head built up of basic geometric shapes and elements characteristic of Jackson's practice. The totemic work revolves slowly on its pastel green base, surveying the room through breast-like eyes, and taking in the sounds and smells of the fair with its gigantic, funnel-shaped ears and snout. 'Big Pig' has played an important role in Jackson's practice for

many years, not just as a fibreglass and aluminium sculpture, but also as a neon spelling out the words 'Big' and 'Pig', a plaster sculpture, drawings in oil and pencil and even taking the form of a lamp.

Jackson is most well-known for his humorous, almost deviant, exploration of alternative, approaches to the act of painting. However, since the 1980s, he has also experimented with scale, an investigation that began with a series of monumental installations and painted environments such as Big Ideas (1980), Big Ideals (1984), Big Ordeals (1986) and more recently Bedroom (2002), The Maid's Room, The Dinner Room and Delivery Room (2006-2007). His research continues with a series of anthropomorphic painting/painted "machines" such as Beer Head Bear (2006), Big Girl (2008), Dick's Big Duck (2008) and finally, the work on view at Art Unlimited, Big Pig (2009-2010).

The Orange County Museum of Art (OCMA) in Newport Beach, California is currently organizing a retrospective of Jackson's work. Richard Jackson: Ain't Painting a Pain which will open in February 2013 and travel internationally. 2013 will also be the year of his 4th solo show at the Gallery since 2002.

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### CAPTIONS

1 – Wall Painting, 1976-2009. Exhibition view of Target Practice: Painting Under Attack 1949-1978, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, US 2 – Accident in Abstract Painting, 2012

### Richard Jackson

Born in 1939 à Sacramento <sup>US</sup> Lives and works in Los Angeles <sup>US</sup>

Ain't Painting a Pain, The Orange County Museum of Art, Orange County, US; Villa Stuck, Munich, Germany ♥ \*

Richard Jackson, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥

2012 Accident in Abstract Painting, Part of « Pacific Standard Time Performance and Public Art Festival », The Armory Center for the Arts, Rose Bowl, Pasadena, US

2011 Under the Big Black Sun, California Art 1974 – 1981, MOCA, Los Angeles, US Richard Jackson, The Little Girl's Room, David Kordansky Gallery, Los Angeles, US ♥ \*

2010 Richard Jackson, Kunststiftung Erich Hauser, Rottweil, Germany ♥ \*
Richard Jackson, Collected works, Rennie Collection, Vancouver, Canada ♥ \*
Red Room/Green Room, Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena, US ♥
Promenades, Le Magasin-cnac, Grenoble, France

2009 Target Practice: Painting Under Attack 1949-1978, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, US \*
The Laundry room, Hauser & Wirth Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland ♥
Vraoum! Trésors de la bande dessinée et art contemporain, La Maison Rouge, Paris, France\*
Richard Jackson/Franz Ackermann, Otero Plassart, Los Angeles, US

2008 Hotel California, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France Trahison, CAPC-Musée d'art contemporain, Bordeaux, France

Cult of the artist: «I can't just slice off an ear every day» / Deconstructiong the myth of the artist, Hamburger Bahnhof – Museum für Gegenwart, Berlin, Germany \*
Ne pas jouer avec des choses mortes, Villa Arson, Nice, France \*
Comme des bêtes. L'ours, le cochon, le chat et Cie., Musée Cantonnal des Beaux-Arts, Lausanne,

Switzerland\*

2007 The Maid's Room/The Dining Room, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥ \*

The War Room, Galerie Yvon Lambert, New York, US ♥ \*
Début de siècle, Musée de Rochechouart, Rochechouart, France \*
Bodycheck, 10. Triennale Kleinplastik Fellbach, Fellbach, Germany

2006 Accident, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France
Richard Jackson: Werke aus der Friedrich Christian Flick Collection, Hamburger Bahnhof, Berlin,

Germany ♥ \*

Los Angeles 1955-1985, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France \*

Le noir est une couleur : Hommage vivant à Aimé Maeght, Fondation Maeght, Saint-Paul de Vence,

Metro Pictures, The Moore Space/Museum of Contemporary Art, Miami, US \* Ballerina in a Whirlpool, Kunsthalle Baden-Baden, Baden-Baden, Germany

2005 Beer, Deer, Bear, Galerie Parisa Kind, Frankfurt, Germany ♥
The Pink Empire, Hauser & Wirth Gallery, London, UK ♥
Dionysiac, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France \*
Pratique de la catastrophe: Burlesques contemporains, Jeu de Paume, Paris, France \*

2004 Unusual Behaviour, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France ♥ Dick's Pictures, Haswellediger & Co Gallery, New York, US ♥ \* The Three Bears, Foundation 20 21, New York, US ♥ Lost Property, Domaine Pommery, Reims, France Y a-t'il un commissaire pour sauver l'exposition ?, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France

2003 Home, Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France Accidents in Abstract Paintings, Galerie Hauser & Wirth, Zurich, Switzerland ♥ Fuori Uso, Ferrotel [Castello di Rivoli], Pescara, Italy

2002 Galerie GP & N Vallois, Paris, France (Project Room) ♥ BAWAG Foundation, Vienna, Austria ♥ \* Iconoclash - Beyond the Image Wars, ZKM, Karlsruhe, Germany

2001 Making the Making, Apex Art Curatorial Program, New York, US

2000 L.A.- ex, Museum Villa Stuck und Marstall, Munich, Germany Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, US

1999 dAPERTutto, XLVIII Venice Biennale, curator: H. Szeemann, Venice, Italy \*

- ♥ Solo show
- \* Catalogue