



Studio Vendome Projects

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ARTIST RECEPTION: **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm**

at Studio Vendome Projects, 28 Grand Street, New York NY 10013

Studio Vendome Projects is pleased to present San Francisco-based artist, Kevan Jenson. This will be Kevan's first New York solo show. *kevan_jenson_smoke_img* will be exhibited at Studio Vendome Projects beginning February 26th running through April 5th.

An opening reception for the artist will be held Wednesday, February 26th from 6:00pm–8:00pm.

Jenson paints with smoke, shooting out flames with torches and various small lab tools. The exhibition will include four large canvases, four panels and twelve works on paper.

Jenson began creating his signature smoke paintings in 1985, while working as a documentary filmmaker in Los Angeles, CA. Former MoMA curator, Peter Selz, states "He knows how to make magic..." The Pompidou Center in Paris has acquired Jenson's work for their permanent collection and most recently, Jenson co-produced the film *Invisibility* by Hito Steyerl for the Venice Biennale.

Jenson has uniquely developed a style and technique with smoke as a medium, continuing the historical practice seen in works by the French painter, Yves Klein. Jenson has pushed this nontraditional medium aesthetically with vibrant under-painting and sophisticated glazes which interact with the smoke to create space upon the two dimensional surface.

Peter Hastings Falk, the noted art historian and art reference publisher, is curator of the exhibition. This exhibition is in association with "Rediscovered Masters", an art advisory board composed of distinguished museum directors, curators, historians, and critics which nominates and elects artists to be involved in their programing.

Studio Vendome and Studio Vendome Projects present contemporary artworks by emerging, mid-career and late career artists. The galleries are located in the Hudson Square district, West of Soho in New York City. Working with independent curators and a selective stable of artists, Studio Vendome brings under recognized works with critical acclaim to the New York art scene. Studio Vendome features works in all mediums and represents the livable art project Habitable Sculpture by Philip Johnson.

