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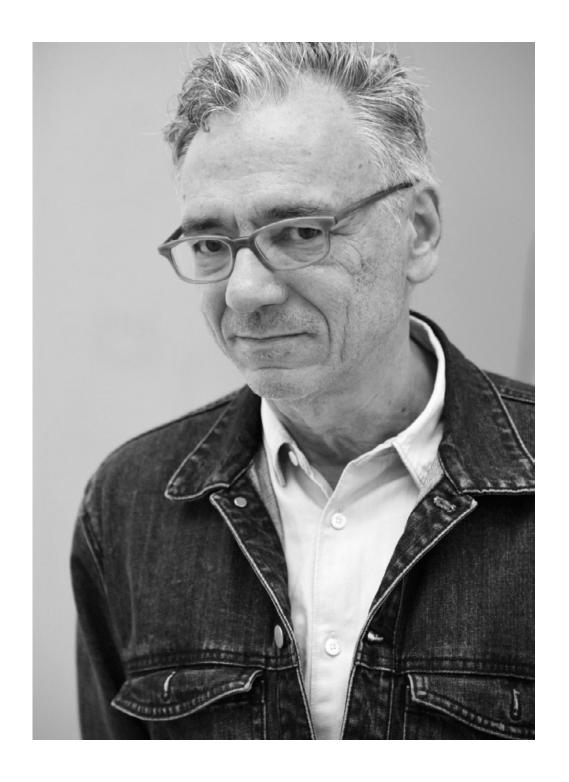
MARUANI MERCIER BOOTH D14

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In honour of MARUANI MERCIER's more than two-decade relationship with prolific American artist Peter Halley, the gallery will present the master colourist's paintings from the 1980s at their booth at Art Basel 2024. A household name amid Swiss collectors and dealers including Thomas and Doris Amman and Bruno Bischofberger, Halley produced 188 paintings during this decade, introducing a post-conceptual language that continues to define his work to this day. With over 140 of the works currently held in prestigious public and private collections worldwide, the gallery presents a rare opportunity to discover the last exceptional, museum-quality paintings available from this period. Each with an impressive provenance and exhibition history, the selection examines the formative era which made him a standout figure of the Neo-Geo movement. Curated and designed in close cooperation with the studio, the booth will invite visitors to fully immerse themselves in Halley's discursive world representative of modern life.

After hosting ten solo exhibitions, one duo, and three group shows in past years, MARUANI MERCIER dedicated two solo exhibitions to Halley in 2023, beginning with *Early Works* featuring works from the 80s and 90s, and then Black Light, a selection of new works. The gallery is also proud to have loaned several paintings for Halley's concurrent solo exhibition, *Conduits. Paintings from the 1980s* at the MUDAM Luxembourg, two of which, *Black Cells with Conduit* (1986) and *White Cell with Conduit* (1987) will be featured in the Basel booth.

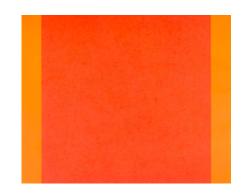
Peter Halley was born in New York in 1953. He studied at Yale University and then at the University of New Orleans where he received his MFA. Also a respected art critic and theorist, Halley is revered for his essays and the self-published magazine INDEX featuring interviews and profiles of other artists. His paintings can be found in prestigious collections worldwide including MoMA, New York, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, Boston Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Tate Modern, London, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofia, Madrid, and the Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, among many others.



# **RED CELL WITH ORANGE BACKGROUND, 1985**

one panel

fluorescent acrylic and Roll-a-Tex on canvas  $160.5 \times 198.5 \times 8$  cm |  $63.1/4 \times 78.1/8 \times 3.1/8$  in



#### **PROVENANCE**

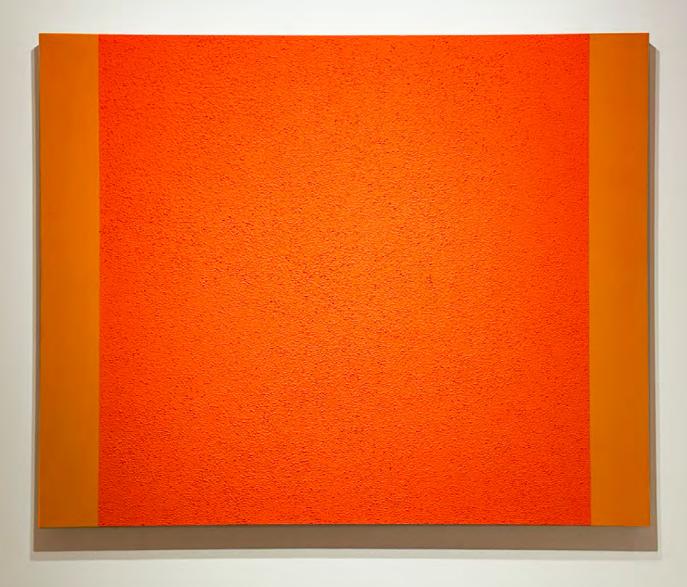
(Jay Gorney Modern Art, New York)
Collection of Lynn and Jeff Slutsky, New York
(Liz Koury, New York)
(Artnet Auctions)
(Stuart Shave Modern Art, London)
MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, Brussels

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

Peter Halley & Robert Mangold: Modern/Postmodern, MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, 27 Feb – 7 Apr, 2018, Brussels, Belgium Peter Halley: Early Works, MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, 22 Mar – 15 Apr, 2023, Brussels, Belgium

#### **LITERATURE**

Cory Reynolds, ed., Peter Halley: Maintain Speed (New York: Distributed Art Publishers, 2000), 195, 196, 198, 200, ills. (color). Cara Jordan, Clément Dirié, ed., Peter Halley: Paintings of the 1980s, The Catalogue Raisonné, (Zurich: JRP I Ringier, 2019), 79, ill. (color). Mangold Halley Modern Postmodern, exhibition catalogue, MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, Brussels, np., ill (color).



# **BLACK CELL WITH UNDERGROUND SEQUENCE, 1986**

three attached panels acrylic, fluorescent acrylic, Flashe, and Roll-a-Tex on canvas  $175 \times 289 \times 8.5$  cm |  $68 \, 7/8 \times 113 \, 3/4 \times 3 \, 3/8$  in



#### **PROVENANCE**

(Galerie Daniel Templon, Paris)
Private Collection, Paris
(Waddington Custot, London)
MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, Brussels

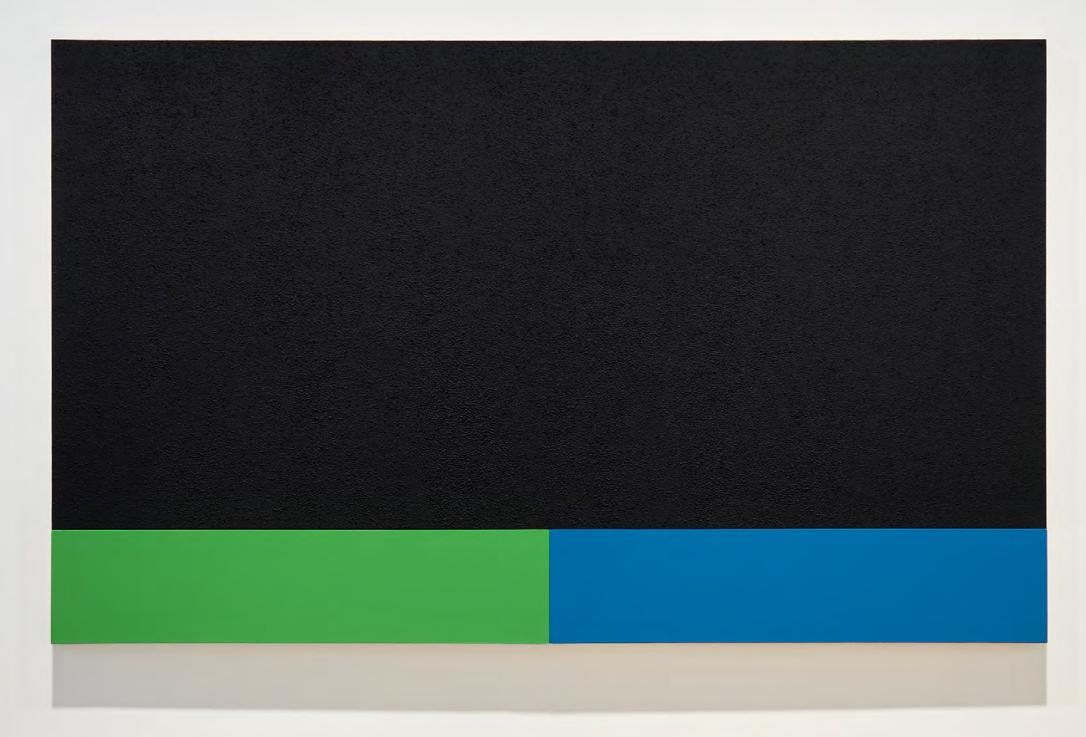
#### **EXHIBITIONS**

Peter Halley, Galerie Daniel Templon, 18 Oct – 22 Nov, 1986, Paris, France
1986, MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, 29 Oct – 5 Nov, 2020, Brussels, Belgium
Peter Halley: Early Works, MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, March 22 – 15 Apr, 2023, Brussels, Belgium

#### **LITERATURE**

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# **BLACK CELL WITH CONDUIT, 1986**

two attached panels acrylic, fluorescent acrylic, Flashe, and Roll-a-Tex on canvas  $162.5 \times 289.5 \times 8.5$  cm  $164 \times 114 \times 33/8$  in



#### **PROVENANCE**

(Donald Young Gallery, Chicago)
Oliver-Hoffman Collection, Chicago
(Sotheby's New York, November 12, 2008, Sale N08490, Lot 577)
Collection Alain Noirhomme, Brussels
MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, Brussels

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

Signs of Painting, Donald Young Gallery, 5 – 26 Apr, 1986, Chicago, IL

Saw: A Suite of Four New Paintings, Galerie Thomas, 9 Sep – 5 Nov, 2016, Munich, Germany

Peter Halley, Paintings from the 1980s, Stuart Shave/Modern Art, 27 Jan – 18 Mar, 2017, London, UK

1986, MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, Oct 2020 – Jan 2021, Brussels, Belgium

Peter Halley: Conduits - Paintings from the 1980s, MUDAM, 31 Mar – 15 Oct, 2023, Luxembourg

#### **LITERATURE**

Carter Ratcliff, "I Like the Free World," Artforum, 25, no. 6 (February 1987): 88, ill. (b/w)
Cory Reynolds (ed.), Peter Halley: Maintain Speed (New York: D.A.P., 2000), 199, 201, ills. (color)
Peter Halley, Paintings from the 1980s, exh. cat. (London: Stuart Shave/Modern Art, 2017), 15, ill. (color)





# WHITE CELL WITH CONDUIT, 1987

two attached panels acrylic, fluorescent acrylic, and Roll-a-Tex on canvas  $203.5 \times 355.5 \times 9$  cm |  $80.1/8 \times 140 \times 3.1/2$  in



#### **PROVENANCE**

Sonnabend Gallery, New York
Oliver-Hoffman Collection, Chicago
Sotheby's New York, March 9, 2010, Sale N08617, Lot 250
Alain Noirhomme, Belgium
Private Collection, London
MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, Brussels

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

 $\textit{Peter Halley}, Sonnabend Gallery, 10-31 \ Oct, 1987, New York, NY, USA$ 

Three Decades: The Oliver Hoffman Collection, Museum of Contemporary Art, 17 Dec, 1988 – 5 Feb, 1989, Chicago, IL, USA

Peter Halley, Paintings from the 1980s, Stuart Shave/Modern Art, 27 Jan – 18 Mar, 2017, London, UK

Peter Halley: Conduits - Paintings from the 1980s, MUDAM, 31 Mar - 15 Oct , 2023, Luxembourg

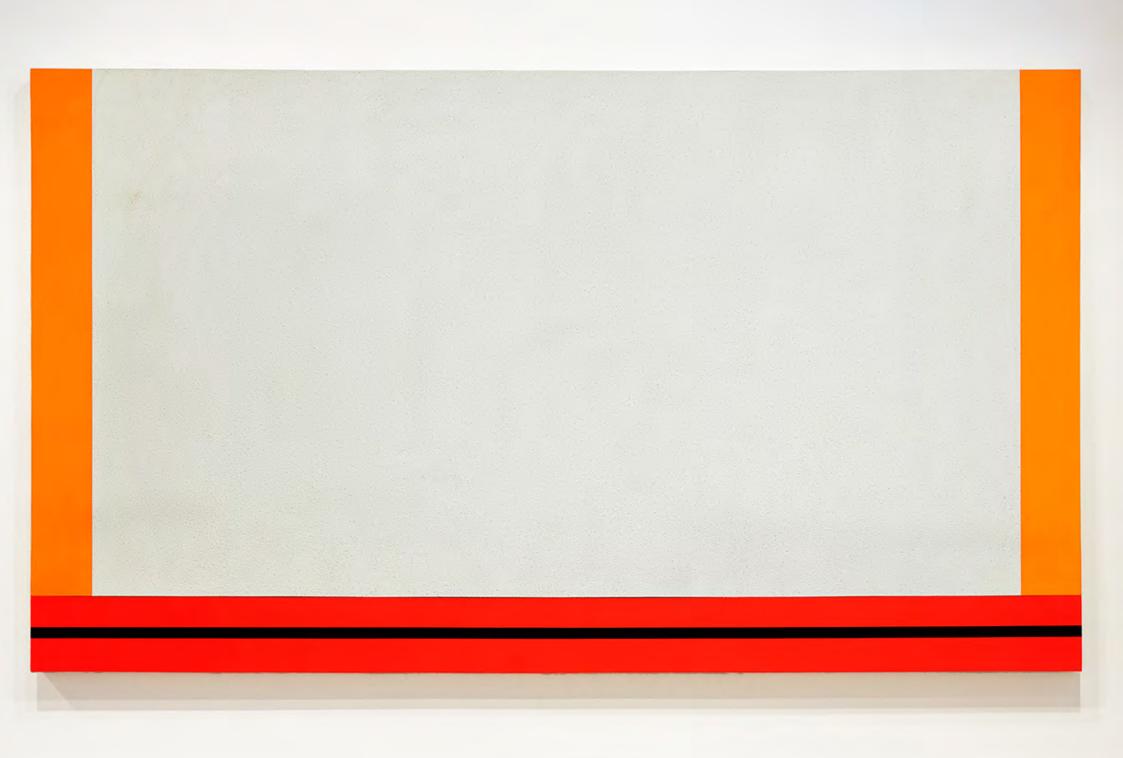
#### **LITERATURE**

Suzanne Kotz (ed.), Three Decades: The Oliver-Hoffmann Collection, exh. cat. (Chicago: Museum of Contemporary Art, 1988), 59, ill. (color)

Cory Reynolds (ed.), Peter Halley: Maintain Speed (New York: D.A.P., 2000), 121, ill. (color, installation), 202, ill. (color)

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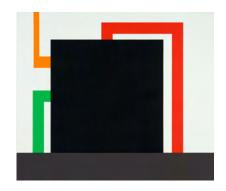
Cora Jordan (ed.), Peter Halley. The Paintings of the 1980s: The Catalogue Raisonné, JRP I Ringier, Zurich, 2018, no. PHP 87-15, p. 140.





### **BLACK CELL, 1989**

two attached panels acrylic, fluorescent acrylic, Flashe, and Roll-a-Tex on canvas  $229 \times 267 \times 10$  cm | 90 1/8 x 105 1/8 x 3 3/4 in



#### **PROVENANCE**

(Galleria Lia Rumma, Naples, Italy)
Private Collection, Italy
MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, Brussels

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

Peter Halley, Galleria Lia Rumma, 26 Apr – 30 Jun 1989, Naples, Italy

Gober, Halley, Kessler, Wool: Four Artists from New York, 15 Sep – 22 Oct 1989, Kunstverein München, Munich, Germany

Le Costanti nell'Arte, Galleria Lia Rumma, 26 Feb – 30 Mar 1994, Naples, Italy

Mitologie e Archetipi: Mirko, Afro, Halley, Cingolani, Fermariello, 24 May – 29 Sep 1996, San Pietro in Atrio, Italy

Peter Halley & Robert Mangold: Modern/Postmodern, MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, 27 Feb – Apr 7, 2018, Brussels, Belgium

Peter Halley: Early Works, MARUANI MERCIER Gallery, 22 Mar – 15 Apr, 2023, Brussels, Belgium

#### **LITERATURE**

Christian Leigh, ed., The Silent Baroque, exhibition catalogue (Salzburg, Austria: Thaddeus Ropac, 1989), 179, ill. (color).

Gober, Halley, Kessler, Wool: Four Artists from New York, exhibition catalogue (Munich, Germany: Kunstverein München, 1989), 47, ill. (color).

Demetrio Paparoni, «Silence and Meaning. Peter Halley,» Tema Celeste, International Edition, (Jul-Sep 1989): 55, ill. (color).

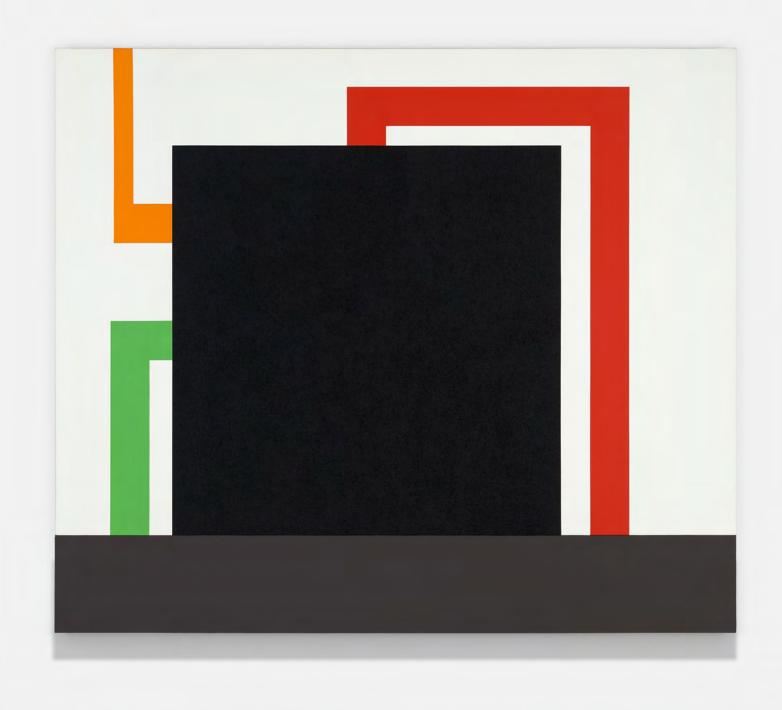
Demetrio Paparoni, "Silenzio e Significato: A Conversation Between Peter Halley and Demetrio Paparoni," Tema Celeste, Italian Edition, no. 22–23 (October–December 1989): 53, ill. (color).

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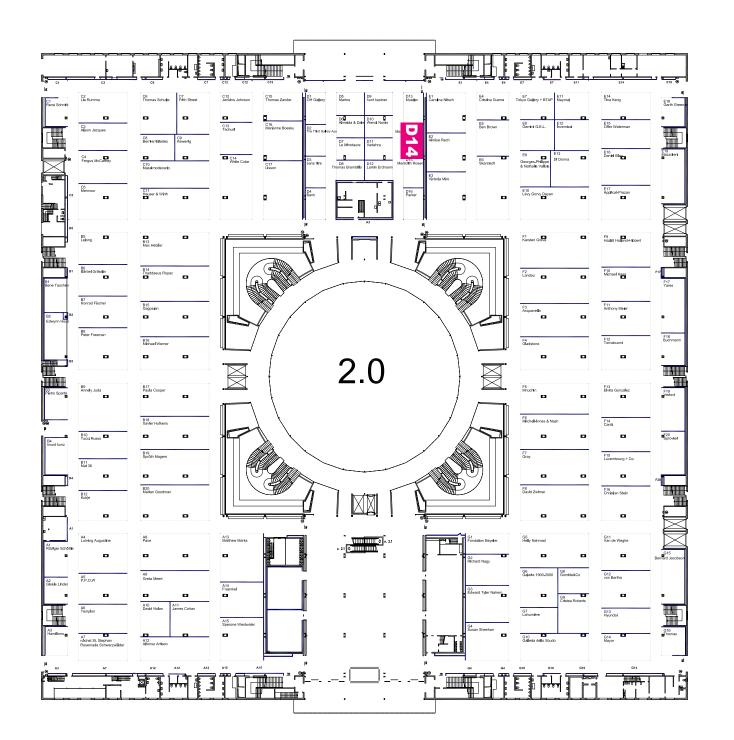


ABB 2024 Hall 2.0 Overview

# MARUANI MERCIER is thrilled to announce its latest publication in collaboration with **SKIRA.**

Devoted to an examination of the extensive recognition Peter Halley has received in Europe, this book traces the history of his forty years of activity in Western Europe. Since the mid-1980s, Halley's paintings and writings have been received by Europeans with remarkable enthusiasm - like a select group of American artists before him, such as Andy Warhol, Robert Ryman, and Richard Serra. Recounting the exchanges between Peter Halley and Europe enables us to identify the high points, and to measure and understand the importance of his work. A copy of the book will be available to view at the booth during Art Basel.

# PETER HALLEY

# EUROPE

MARUANI MERCIER GALLERY

Founded in 1995, MARUANI MERCIER represents twenty two contemporary artists alongside its programme of museum quality historical exhibitions whilst continuing to build on the legacy of a number of renowned estates. Showing established artists alongside young and emerging new talent, the gallery promotes an artistic dialogue between different generations. It also contributes to new scholarship across its programmes by inviting prominent art historians and curators to collaborate on its exhibition catalogues and artist texts. Many of the gallery's artists participate in international exhibitions and are today placed in some of the most important museums and private collections around the world.

Initially MARUANI MERCIER's primary programme focused on celebrated American artists from the 1980s who, working within the medium of painting and sculpture, sought to reflect the aesthetic and social concerns of their time. Including; Ross Bleckner, Francesco Clemente, Ron Gorchov, Peter Halley, Jonathan Lasker, and Sue Williams.

Over the years, the gallery has looked to a new generation of artists who, working within different media, also address topical subjects relating to history, politics, the environment, and questions of identity and authorship. Amongst these, Radcliffe Bailey, Esiri Erheriene-Essi and Victor Ehikhamenor examine topics surrounding Black history and culture whilst Lyle Ashton Harris looks at societal constructs of sexuality and race. Jaclyn Conley's beautiful and nostalgic paintings present a poignant rumination on the social and political concerns of American life, whilst Tony Matelli confronts issues of isolation and impermanence with humour and irony.

In 2001, MARUANI MERCIER expanded to include an additional gallery in the historic art town Knokke followed in 2018 by a 15,000 sq ft exhibition space in Zaventem called THE WAREHOUSE. In addition to the celebrated exhibitions held there, in 2021 THE WAREHOUSE hosted Kwesi Botchway, Cornelius Annor, and Johnson Eziefula at its artist residency. MARUANI MERCIER will remain committed to exhibiting the artist that it hosts there across its galleries.

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