

»We do have prejudiced perception. I do use that to make up gentle reminders of how we could form up reality.«

James Turrell

PRESS RELEASE

James Turrell »Alien Exam | Aten Reign«

Exhibition: May 18 – July 28, 2017

New Opening Hours: Wednesday – Friday, 2 – 6 pm
and by appointment

Häusler Contemporary München proudly presents the first work from James Turrell's »Perceptual Cells« series. »Alien Exam« of 1989 is an artistic experimental set-up for everyone's individual perception and provides viewers with the experience of seeing as such. In addition, we first show in Munich the rare unique inkjet-prints »From the Guggenheim, Aten Reign« that resulted from Turrell's large-scale light installation at The Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York in 2013.

Many viewers were surprised when James Turrell presented his »Perceptual Cells« series in the 1990s: the architectural capsules with their scientific or science-fictional touch seemed very different from the large-scale atmospheric light spaces and projections for which the artist is widely known. As a matter of fact, the »Perceptual Cells« are based on researches from the field of psychology of perception which Turrell had intensely pursued in the 1960s. The works allow for one person at a time to enter unknown states of one's own vision. In a precisely calculated, small-scale »Ganzfeld« each viewer experiences how the eye generates individual color gradients and patterns that do not actually exist.

We are delighted to present at our gallery the very first work from this exciting series, »Alien Exam« of 1989. Alongside the installation we first present in Munich a selection from the exclusive inkjet-prints »From the Guggenheim, Aten Reign«. The series of unique pieces emerged from the artist's much-noticed installation for New York's Guggenheim Museum in 2013. The subtly nuanced colors of these photographic prints revive the impressive project that had turned the famous rotunda of The Guggenheim into an overwhelming space of light.

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