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ON MELROSE



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Charlie James Gallery is delighted to present LA-based artist Ramiro Gomez in his third solo show with the gallery titled On Melrose opening Saturday, April 16th from 6-9pm. This show will feature Gomez's largest show of painting and installation to date.

Drawn from everyday scenes in Los Angeles, Gomez's large-scale acrylic on canvas paintings will feature uniquely recognizable Melrose Avenue locations and their inhabitants. The Paul Smith Store, Paramount Studios, and Fred Segal are among the landmark locations to make appearances in the paintings.

He will also present an ambitious painting installation in our basement project space titled "Melrose Avenue - Eastbound" - a series of paintings tracking the journey eastbound on Melrose Ave from West Hollywood to Hoover Street in Los Angeles proper.

Ramiro Gomez was born in 1986 in San Bernardino, California to undocumented Mexican immigrant parents who have since become US citizens. He briefly attended the California Institute for the Arts before leaving to take work as a live-in nanny with a West Hollywood family, an experience that did much to inform his artistic practice. In 2013 Gomez had his first solo exhibition at the UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center, and was also awarded with a residency to install a mural in West Hollywood Park, a project titled The Caretakers, which remains on view. In 2014 Gomez had his solo gallery debut at Charlie James Gallery in Los Angeles, and went on to show widely across North America. In 2015 Gomez exhibited at the University of Michigan Institute for the Humanities, the Chicago Humanities Festival, and again at Charlie James Gallery. Gomez's work has been covered in the New York Times Magazine, the Washington Post, NPR, the Los Angeles Times, Hyperallergic, Huffington Post, and CNN. This spring Gomez will be having a third show at the Charlie James Gallery in conjunction with the publication of a monograph on his work by Lawrence Weschler (Abrams). Gomez lives and works in West Hollywood, California. He is represented by Charlie James Gallery in Los Angeles.

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Paul Smith Store,  
Los Angeles  
Acrylic on canvas  
72 x 72 inches  
2015

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Paramount Studios  
Acrylic on canvas  
96 x 180 inches  
2016

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Melrose Ave and  
N Crescent Heights Blvd  
Acrylic on canvas  
28 x 22 inches  
2016

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Fred Segal Store,  
Los Angeles  
Acrylic on canvas  
72 x 72 inches  
2016

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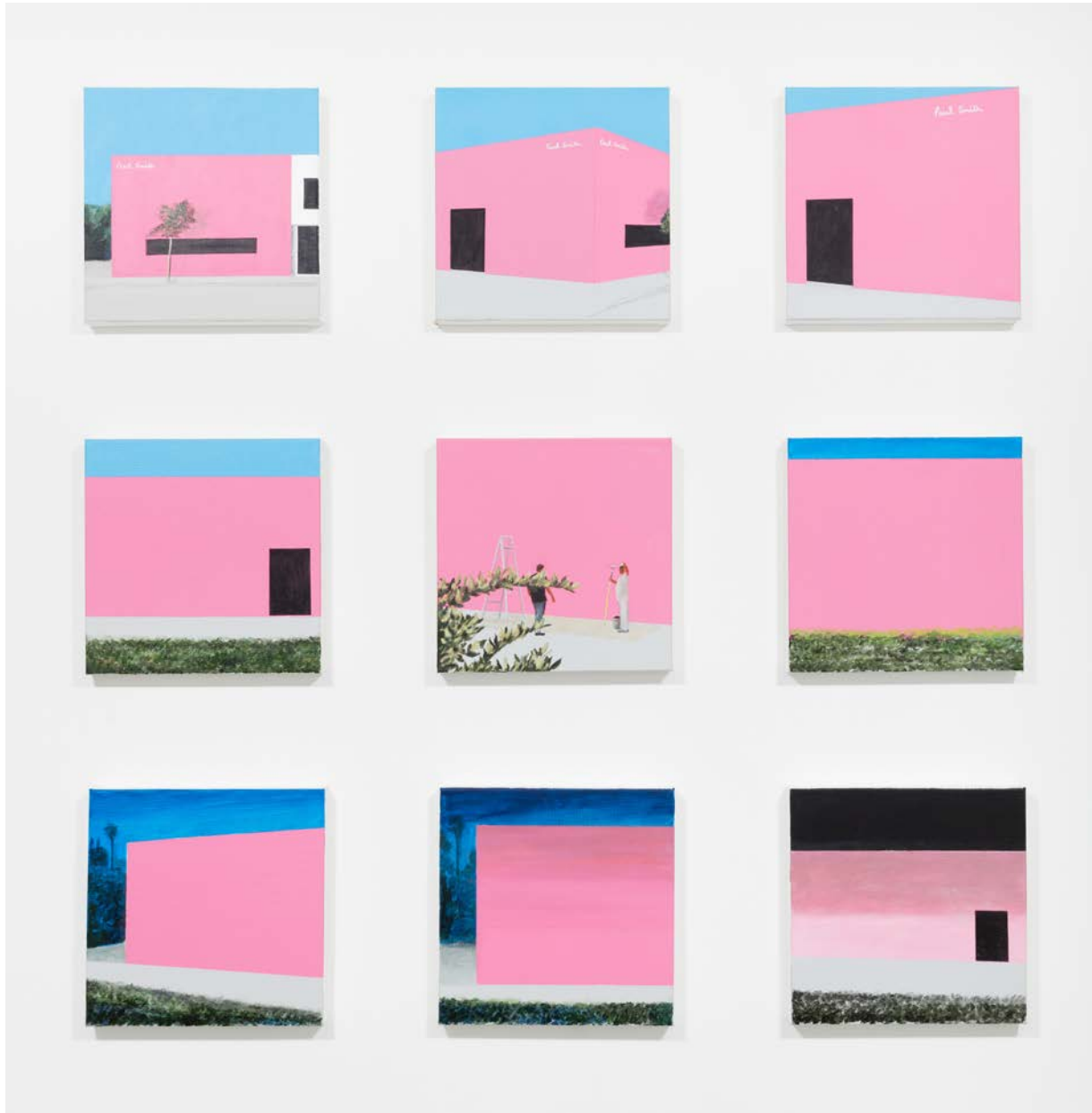


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Mauro Cafe, Fred Segal Two Views  
Diptych  
Acrylic on canvas  
24 x 50 inches  
2016

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Paul Smith Store, Los Angeles (Nine Views)  
Acrylic on canvas  
Nine 12 x 12 inch paintings  
48 x 48 inches/install  
2016

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TENOVERSIX  
Acrylic on canvas  
30 x 30 inches  
2016

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Pacific Design Center  
#1  
Acrylic on canvas  
30 x 30 inches  
2016

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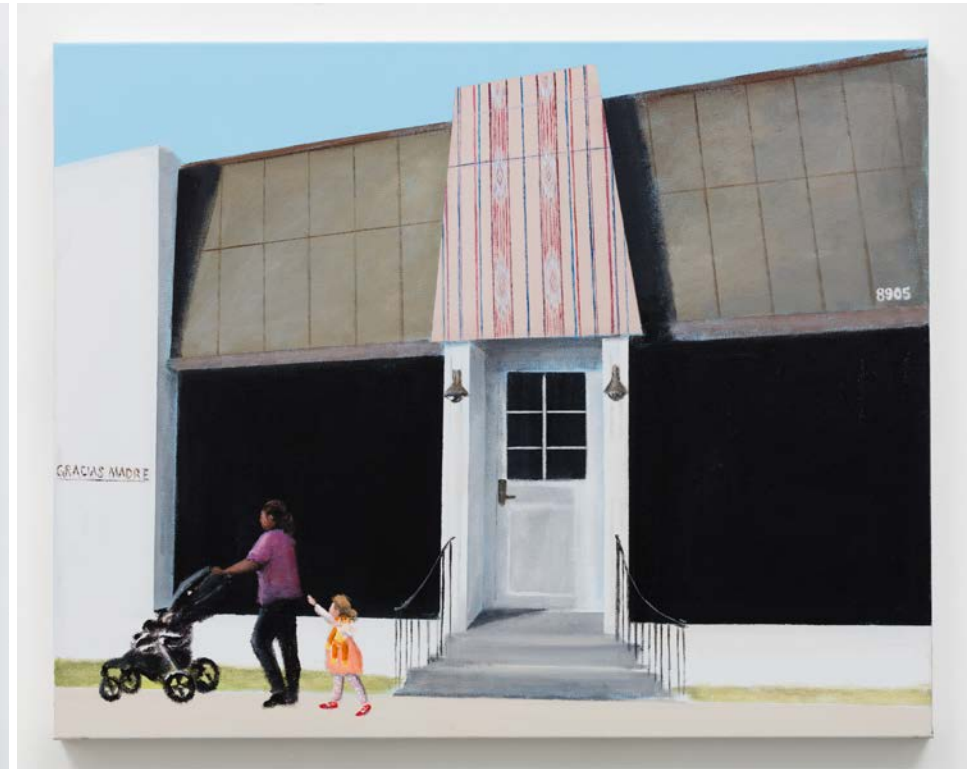
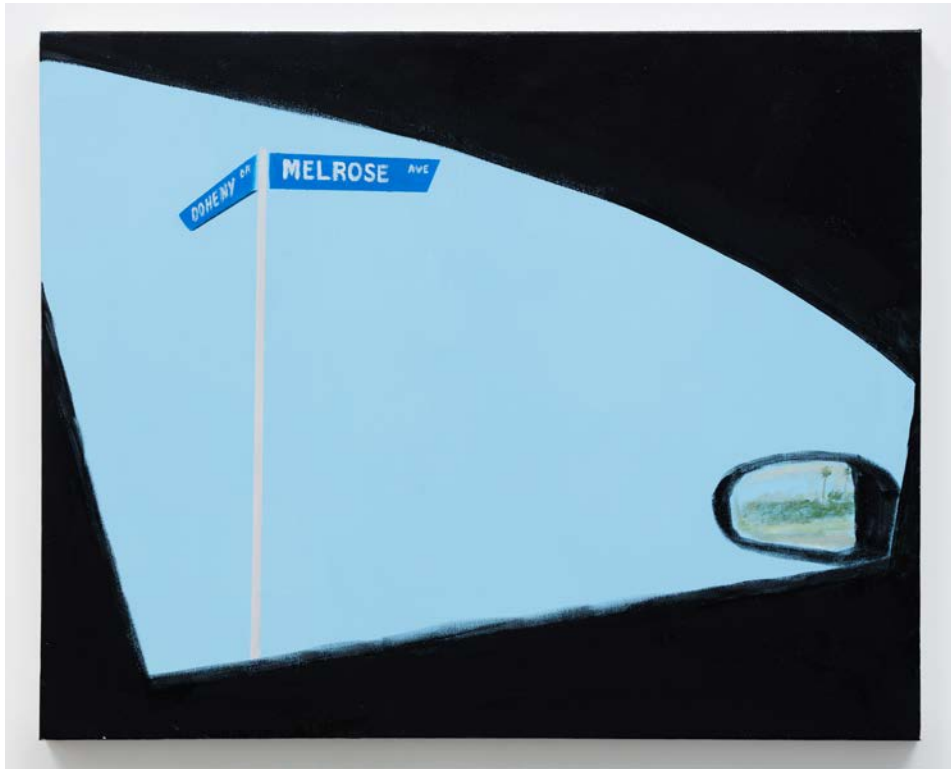


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Melrose Avenue, Eastbound, Eleven 24 x 30 inch paintings, Acrylic on canvas, 24 x 330 inches installed, 2016

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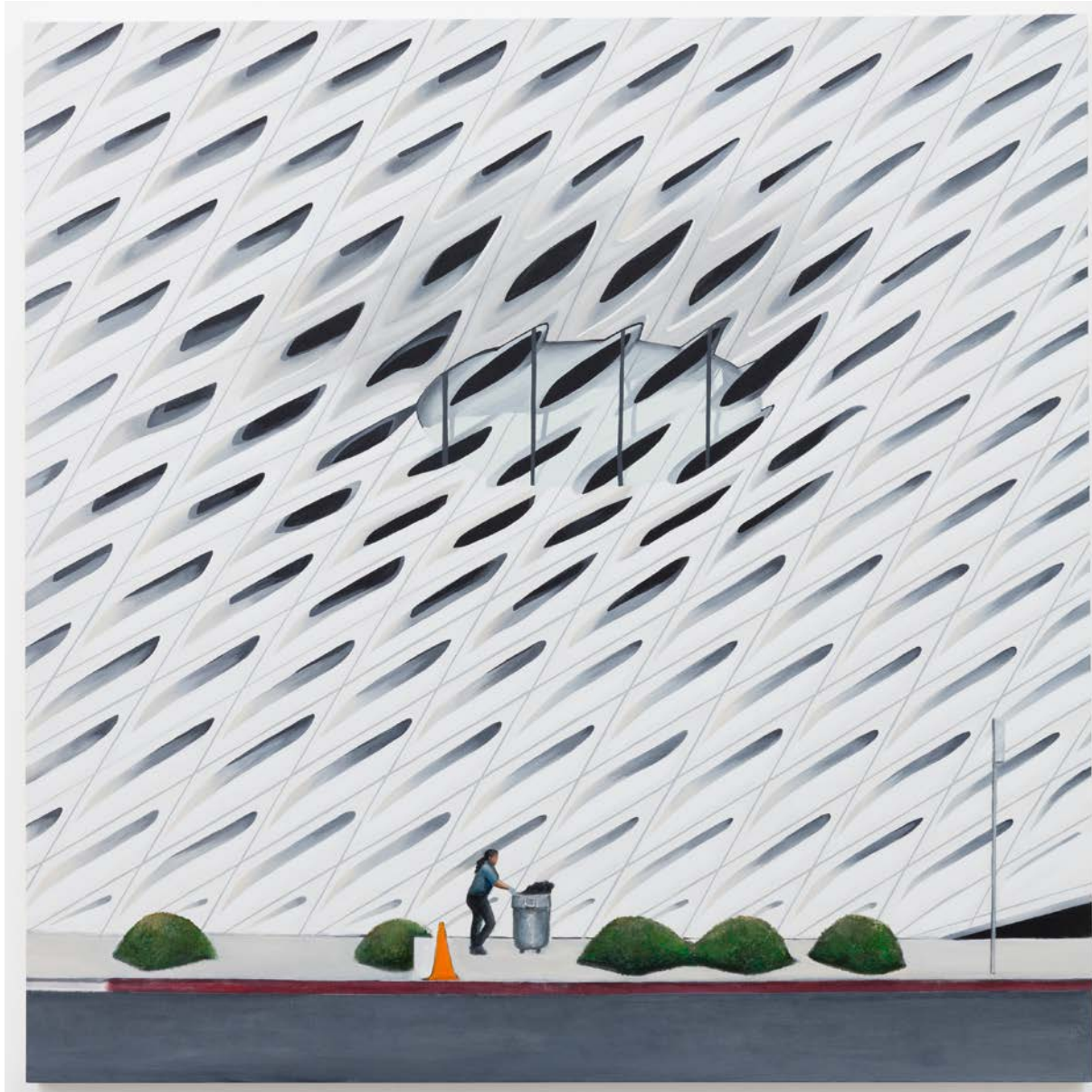
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The Broad  
Acrylic on canvas  
72 x 72 inches  
2016

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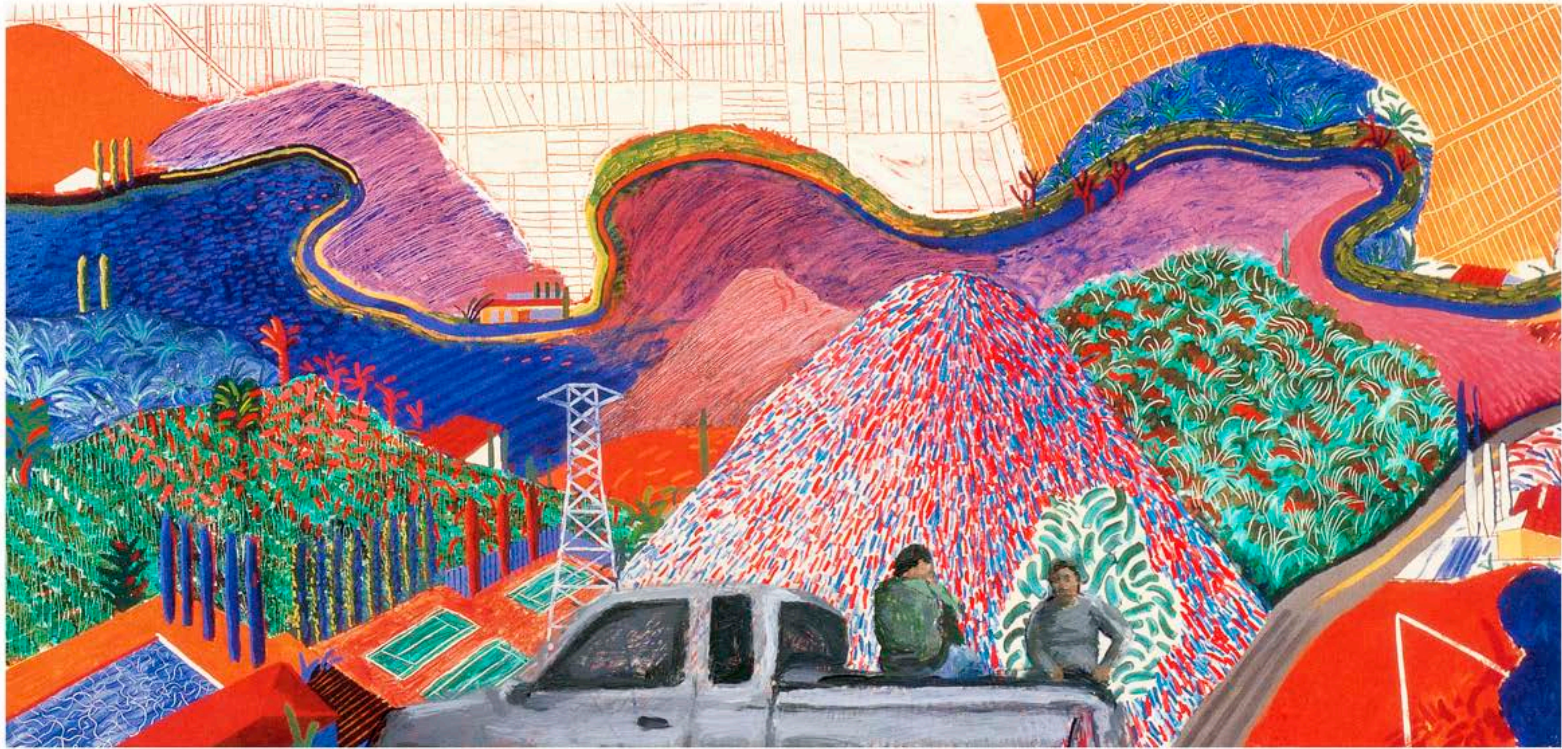
Untitled (Paul Smith)  
Acrylic on cloth,  
mounted on panel  
Approx. 48 x 46 inches  
2016

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Paul Smith Store,  
Los Angeles  
Archival pigment print  
Edition of 30 - signed  
and numbered  
30 x 30 inches  
2016

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Mulholland Drive: On The Road to David's Studio (after David Hockney's Mulholland Drive:  
The Road to the Studio, 1980)

Edition of 50

Archival Pigment Print

14.25 x 26.6 inches unframed

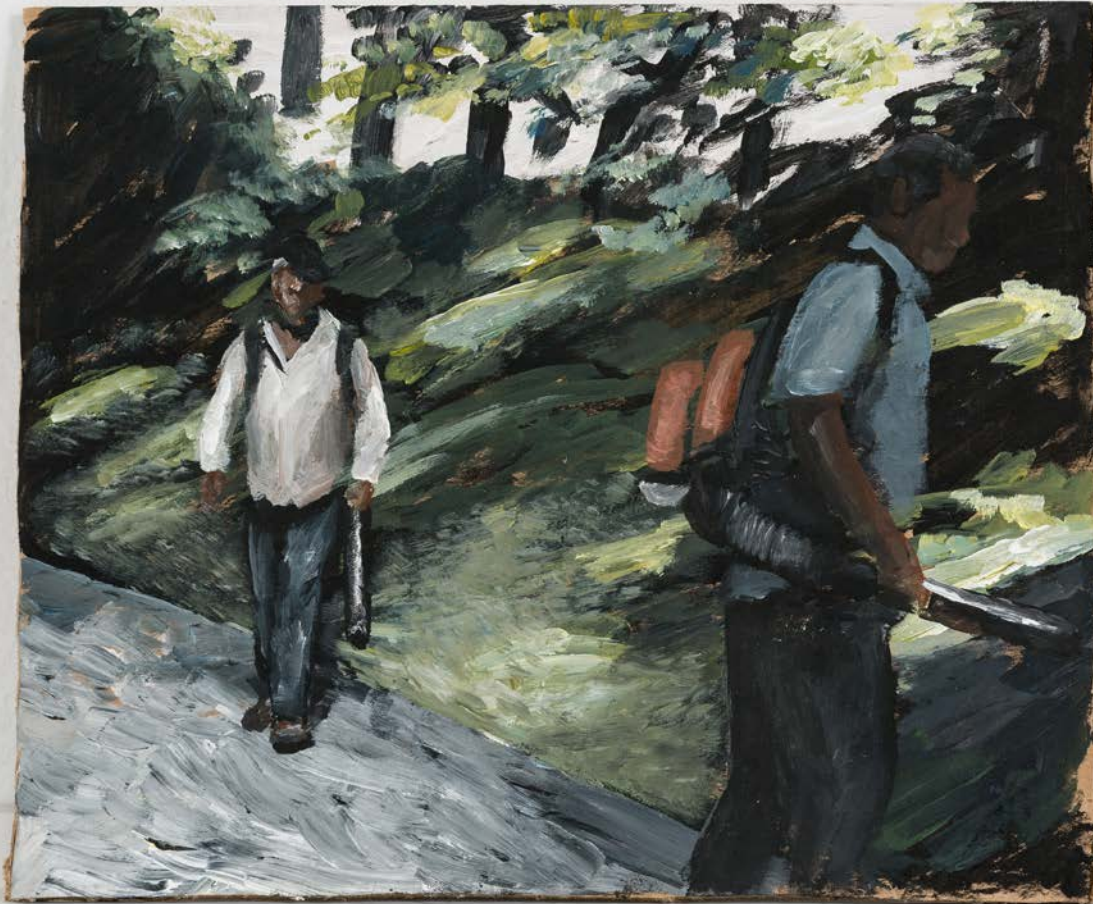
15.25 x 27.6 inches framed

2015

\$750 unframed/ \$850 framed



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Two Gardeners  
Acrylic on cardboard  
8.25 x 9.75 inches  
2015

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**Azul**  
Archival pigment print on Display-  
Trans backlight media in lightbox  
11.63 x 9.63 inches  
2015  
Edition of 5

Ramiro Gomez (b. 1986, U.S.)  
West Hollywood, CA.

#### Solo Exhibitions

- 2016 On Melrose, Charlie James Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2015 Cut-Outs, Charlie James Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2015 Cut-Outs, University of Michigan, Institute for the Humanities
- 2014 Domestic Scenes, Charlie James Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2013 Luxury, Interrupted, UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center, CA
- 2012 Rose Gardens, Pehrspace, CA

#### Group Exhibitions

- 2016 (Upcoming) 2016 Cuenca Biennial, curated by Dan Cameron, Ecuador
- 2015 Ha Ha! Business! Luis de Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2015 Paris Photo Los Angeles, Charlie James Gallery, Paramount Studios Los Angeles, CA
- 2015 Zona Maco, Charlie James Gallery, Mexico City, Mexico
- 2014 PULSE Miami Beach, Charlie James Gallery, Miami, FL
- 2014 EXPO Chicago, Charlie James Gallery, Chicago IL
- 2014 ArtMRKT San Francisco, Charlie James Gallery, Fort Mason Center, CA
- 2014 Recent Acquisitions, Cornell Fine Arts Museum at Rollins College, FL
- 2014 L.A. Weekly presents: Artopia, Grand Central Market Los Angeles, CA
- 2014 Museum of Latin American Art presents: Distant Parallels, The Collaborative, CA
- 2014 Secrets & Lies, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, CA
- 2014 Dallas Art Fair, Charlie James Gallery, Fashion Industry Gallery, TX
- 2014 (in)Visible & (dis)Embodied, District of Columbia Arts Center, Washington D.C.
- 2014 Prospect 2014, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, CA
- 2013 Aqua Art Miami, Charlie James Gallery, Aqua Hotel, FL

- 2013 Art San Diego, Charlie James Gallery, Balboa Park, SD
- 2013 T.J. Martell Foundation Artworks for the Cure Barker Hangar, CA 2013 AFL-CIO National Convention, CA
- 2013 Divested Interest, CSUF Grand Central Art Center, CA
- 2012 Meet Me At Metro, East LA Civic Center, CA
- 2012 Install: WEHO, West Hollywood Library, CA
- 2012 L.A. Road Concert: Mulholland Dr., CA
- 2012 Global Cardboard Challenge, Imagination Foundation, CA
- 2011 L.A. Road Concert: Sunset Blvd., CA
- 2011 Group show, Bang Gallery, CA

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## Teaching

2014 Guest Lecturer UCLA  
2014 Guest Lecturer Art & Social Justice, Congregation Kol  
Ami, CA  
2013 Guest Lecturer, AFL-CIO National Convention, Los  
Angeles Convention Center, CA  
2013 Guest Lecturer, UCLA  
2013 Guest Lecturer, Stanford University  
2013 Guest Lecturer, "Aqui se respira lucha" UC San Diego  
2012 Guest Lecturer, Race Matters Series  
"Quiet is the new loud" UC Santa Barbara  
2012 Guest Lecturer. "Sing the real" UC Santa Barbara  
Residencies  
2015 University of Michigan, University for the Humanities  
2013 City of West Hollywood Park

2013 Artist-in-residence CSUF Grand Central Art Center, CA

## Mural

2013 The Caretakers/Los Cuidadores City of West Hollywood  
Park, CA

## Awards

2014 L.A. Weekly People 2014  
2013 25 Artists to Watch, Artvoices Magazine  
2013 100 Green Leaders in Art, Poder Magazine

## Selected Collections

2015 Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento  
2014 Museum of Latin American Art, Long Beach  
2014 Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego  
2014 Cornell Fine Arts Museum at Rollins College