

KASMIN TO OPEN NEW CHELSEA GALLERY WITH ROOFTOP SCULPTURE GARDEN

Opening in October 2018 with an exhibition unveiling new works by Walton Ford in the gallery and a Joel Shapiro installation in the new Kasmin Sculpture Garden at 509 W 27th St, New York



Image courtesy Kasmin/studioMDA

New York, NY (June 7, 2018)—In October 2018, Kasmin will open its **fourth Chelsea location** featuring a column-free exhibition space, 28 skylights, and a **rooftop sculpture garden** situated alongside the High Line in the heart of Chelsea, offering a rotating outdoor sculpture exhibition program to the High Line’s 6 million annual visitors.

“The new gallery is the result of many years of discussion,” said founder Paul Kasmin. “Nearly all galleries in Chelsea are adapted industrial spaces, so the real ambition has been to create a purpose-built exhibition space with the sole intention of showing art at its very best and bringing the shows outside of the gallery walls.”

One of the few purpose-built commercial gallery spaces in Chelsea, the new building’s unique roof, designed to exhibit monumental works of sculpture, will put the gallery’s program on view to the High Line’s 6 million visitors per year. Signaling a new era of curatorial ambition, this new building will open with a solo exhibition of new paintings by **Walton Ford** in the gallery and an installation of three bronze sculptures by **Joel Shapiro** on the rooftop on Wednesday, October 10, 2018.

The gallery has been designed by **studioMDA** to realize the most ambitious aspects of Kasmin’s mission, particularly the exhibition of large-scale work. The roof garden provides an additional 5,000 square feet of outdoor exhibition space and its embedded skylights provide natural daylight into the art space below as well as evening illumination. The building is cast entirely in white concrete that bears the texture of brushed oak, creating a striking texture evocative of a wooden structure.

Paul Kasmin and studioMDA, led by Markus Dochantschi, have a long history of collaboration, having worked together to build the 515 W 27th St and 297 Tenth Ave gallery spaces as well as numerous exhibitions and art fair booths.

Fall 2018 Exhibition Schedule:

509 W 27th St

Walton Ford (opens October 10, 2018)

Joel Shapiro (opens October 10, 2018)

293 Tenth Ave

Stuart Davis *Lines Thicken: Stuart Davis in Black & White* (opens September 13, 2018)

297 Tenth Ave

Lee Krasner (opens September 13, 2018)

Alberto Giacometti (opens November, 2018)

515 W 27th St

Constantin Brancusi & Marcel Duchamp (opens September 20, 2018)

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