

**STANDARD
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Tracy Morgan

Devotion

June 2nd – July 1st

Opening Reception: Saturday, June 2nd,
5:30 – 8:00 p.m

Standard Space is pleased to present **Devotion**, a solo show by **Tracy Morgan**. Tracy Morgan is a self-taught painter whose work explores the tensions inherent in the human interaction with nature. Working in acrylics on plywood, she juxtaposes lush flowers with bold patterns and gestural strokes. Glimpses of ferns show through veils of pale blue, black-and-white checkerboards bisect a riot of dahlias, vases are sketched in delicate lines of white paint. She creates a world where visual and physical texture intermingle: curls of leaves, layered petals, and smooth stripes weave amongst thick swathes of paint and thin washes of color.

Morgan begins her paintings by working from life, then layers patterns over her carefully rendered plants and floral arrangements until even the flowers begin to take on an abstract edge. The joy with which she paints comes through in the finished pieces—in the bright reds, luscious pinks, mint greens, and aquamarines, and in the movement and vitality of her brushstrokes. Her eye for color, honed throughout her years in the fashion industry, yields unexpected and beautiful combinations. She works intuitively and fearlessly, making up the rules as she goes along, and finding a delicate balance between looseness and control, between the dreamlike and the realistic, the ephemeral and the exact.

Tracy Morgan is a Brooklyn-based artist and set designer for the fashion industry. She has collaborated extensively with J.Crew, had a solo show at Bergdorf Goodman in 2016, was a guest artist at Art Central Hong Kong in 2016, and was part of a group show at Gallery @ 46, Hudson, NY.

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