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MATT ARBUCKLE'S 'LOOK/SEE'

Chapter House Lane presents Matt Arbuckle's layered abstract paintings at 136 Johnston Street from 13 November. This is the fifth and final show to be held in our temporary Collingwood space, capping off a fine series of exhibitions.

Matt Arbuckle is a painter who takes photographs. Photos are nowhere to be seen in his heavy brush strokes and lashes of colour, but they are at the core of the work. Shooting an interesting shape, line, shopfront or window each day with his grandfather's old Voigtländer camera, the photographs are pinned up in his studio and deconstructed into grids and frames, strong gestures and layered perspectives.

Each artwork plays with the formal elements of painting – marks, colours and space. Some works distort a viewer's perception of foreground and background space, making it seem as though you could step into the painting. Others reveal an obvious history of the marks made, showing how the work was constructed. This is a playful study of painting, composition and form.

Matt Arbuckle is a New Zealand native who now lives in Melbourne after a two-year stint in Berlin. Throughout his career Arbuckle has held several solo and group exhibitions in New Zealand, Australia and overseas.

Exhibition: 13 November – 7 December 2014

OVER IN THE CITY AT CHAPTER HOUSE LANE

Running concurrently with Matt Arbuckle's exhibition, a new show has just opened in our primary display space in the centre of Melbourne. Make your way over to see Deb Mansfield's oceanic photo-tapestries in 'Softening (or break the legs of what I want to happen)'. The exhibition looks at oceans, shorelines, tides and the spatial instability of 'in-between' spaces. The Bay of Fires in Tasmania and the Breakwater at Newcastle take on an altogether different texture in these new works.

CONTACT US

Get in touch for further information, media enquiries, interviews or images.

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A non-profit contemporary art space located in Chapter House Lane, entry via Flinders Lane, Melbourne. A second temporary display space is currently located at 136 Johnston Street, Collingwood. chapterhouselane.org.au



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