

Diana Greenberg: Movement in Color  
June 1 – July 6, 2018  
Opening Reception: June 1, 6 – 8 pm

Octavia Art Gallery is pleased to start off the summer season with, *Diana Greenberg: Movement in Color*. This exhibition of abstract painting and works on paper is the Austin-based artist's first solo exhibition with Octavia Art Gallery.

Diana Greenberg's abstract color field paintings are meditations on movement and rhythm found in nature. Her intuitive process begins by taking inspiration from striking color combinations found in her immediate environment, ranging from landscapes to a particular plant or figure. She draws upon these visual records as a source material for abstraction. Whether painted from memory or photo, these images are translated to the canvas and then transformed through gestural brush strokes. The rhythm of her mark-making is often influenced by the records she plays in the studio which are then reflected in the title of each work. Through the construction and deconstruction of these colorful forms, each composition becomes unrecognizable to its source, yet essentially linked back to nature. Equally important to the composition is the use of negative space, which gives breath to the cluster of gestural marks she creates.

In *Movement in Color*, Greenberg continues her explorations of color, rhythm and nature, while integrating new inspiration from books on Japanese calligraphy, patterns in kimonos, and the album, *Wave Length* by Van Morrison. These new paintings achieve a sense of balance between color and space against the calm stillness of the tonal white and grey background.

Greenberg was born in Dallas, TX, and currently lives in Austin, TX. She received her BBA from The University of Texas in Austin, TX. She has shown at Wally Workman Gallery, Austin, TX; The Contemporary, Austin, TX; Octavia Art Gallery, New Orleans, LA; the Geovinsky Gallery of Contemporary Art, Denver, CO; amongst others. Her work is included in the several corporate collections, including Memorial Sloan Kettering, Sabine Oil and Gas, The Fairmont Hotel in Scottsdale, AZ and the South Congress Hotel in Austin, TX.