

**PRESS RELEASE:**

**MATT KLEBERG: *SLIPSTREAM***

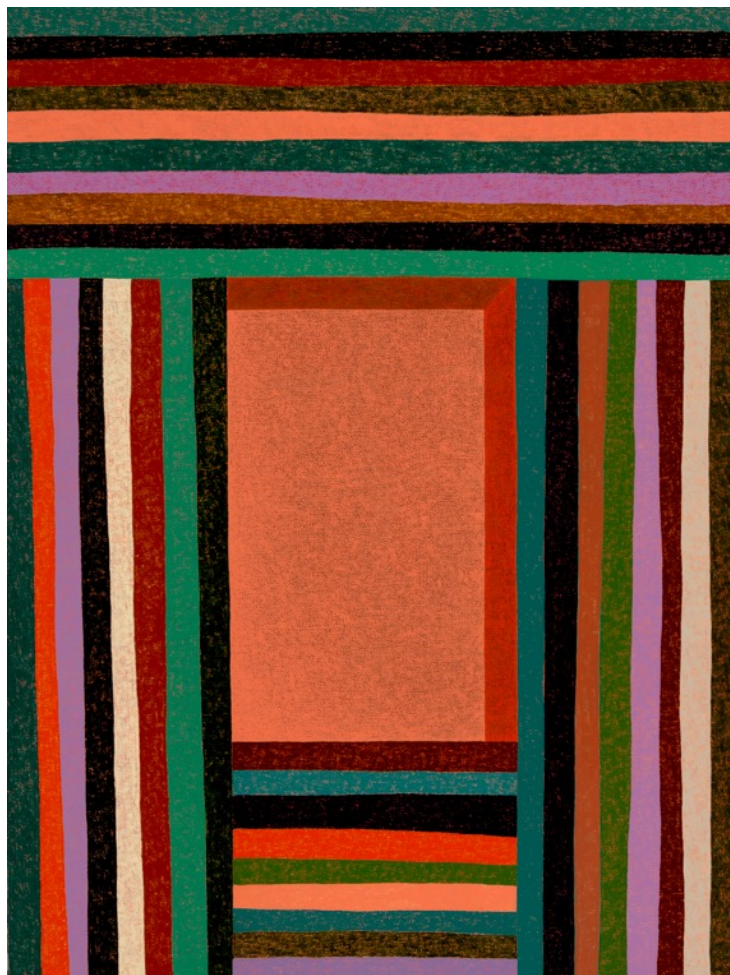
**October 22<sup>nd</sup> – November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Opening Reception: October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1-3pm**



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Barry Whistler Gallery is pleased to present *Slipstream*, a solo exhibition featuring works by gallery artist Matt Kleberg.



*Boxspring Slipstream*, 2022, oil stick on canvas, 96 x 72 inches

Kleberg's work borrows from architectural and ornamental references such as altars, theater sets, and stages, all spaces that frame specific actions and actors, suggesting an interest in performativity, whether ritual or theatrical.

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With a practice formerly concerned with figuration, Kleberg's recent work offers the absence of any depicted actor. Pregnant spaces and the presence of the hand imply the possibility of the figure, and, by extension, implicate the viewer in their own embodiment. The insistent framing in all of the work, and the sculptural elements of some, reiterate that the paintings themselves are objects or bodies in space.

*Slipstream* opens on Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> and runs through November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022. An opening reception for *Slipstream* will take place on Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 1-3pm.

**Additional information and images available upon request.**

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