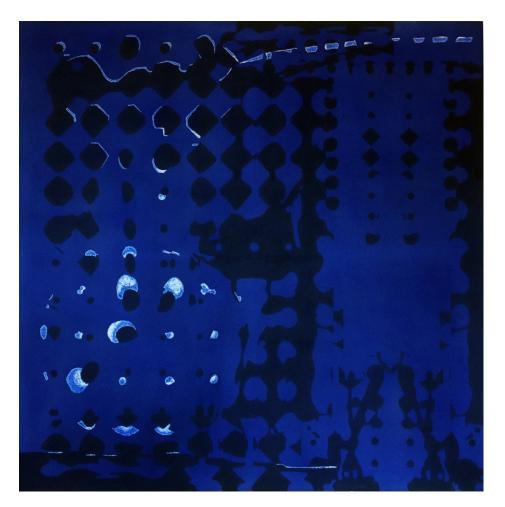
THE MOVING EVENING By Robert Ruello Opening Saturday, November 24th in the GAR Gallery



Bulge #3, 2018, acrylic and flashe on canvas, 56" x 56"

The Galveston Artist Residency and Gallery is pleased to present "The Moving Evening," featuring new work by Robert Ruello. This body of work began with the idea of cause and effect – but with a twist – meaning that sometimes the cause is not as evident as the effect. For instance, we see the tidal movement of water... without necessarily seeing (or relating it) to the moon /sun. So the objects influencing the tides are sometimes hidden; we simply experience the effect. The paintings and works on paper explore that idea through bitmapped arrays and monochromatic color. Bumps and bulges begin to distort and curve the structure of the painted images. That disruption of the image -- and how the bitmap forms begin to reorganize themselves in reaction to the bulges and bumps -- is the focus of the work.

In addition to the paintings and prints on paper, Ruello is presenting four moon drawings. These drawings are sourced from different time periods and observations. In particular, he is interested in the politics of the moon. The moon appears a politically neutral object; however it is anything but neutral when one explores the maps and diagrams which are used to describe it.

Robert Ruello (born 1958, New Orleans, LA) received a BA in Psychology from Loyola University, New Orleans, LA (1982), a BFA from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago (1987), and an MFA from Columbia University (1997). From 1987-89 he was an artist-in-residence at the Core Program, Glassell School of Art, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX. Ruello lives and works in Houston, TX where he shows with Inman Gallery.

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