

Paul Soto

Hans-Peter Thomas
April 2 - May 20, 2023
Los Angeles

Preview

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Paul Soto is proud to announce a solo exhibition of new paintings by the German artist Hans-Peter Thomas. This is the artist's first exhibition with the gallery, and marks the first solo exhibition of the artist's work in the United States since 2004. A public reception for Hans-Peter Thomas will be held on Sunday, April 2 from 3 to 5pm in our Los Angeles location, and the exhibition will run in the office through Saturday, May 20th.

Thomas' intimately scaled paintings on view in the office are comprised of bucolic scenes of nature. Their sweetness and tenderness are characterized by an immediacy and directness animated through his mark-making. At times impressionistic and at others graffito, Thomas' paintings radiate glyph like, carrying primordial, deeply felt emotive qualities. They embody a sense of innocence that is both contradicted by and amplified by his panoply of references, speaking to the complexity of the human condition and of lived life.

Hans-Peter Thomas was born in 1968 in Bonn, Germany. Thomas studied at the Akademie der Bildenden Künste, Munich and completed his degree in 1997. He moved soon afterwards to Berlin where he exhibited works alongside his peers like artists Thilo Heinzmann and André Butzer. Thomas moved to Los Angeles in 2009 to attend the MAK Center Residency, and he resided in the city from 2009 to 2021, where he worked as an artist and also as a musician under the moniker "Bara." Thomas now lives and works outside of Berlin. His works have been exhibited widely in Germany and Austria, including at his longtime gallery, Bernd Kugler Gallery, Innesbruck, where he currently has an exhibition on view entitled Seven Animals; and he exhibited works at several storied galleries in Los Angeles including Daniel Hug Gallery and Patrick Painter Gallery.











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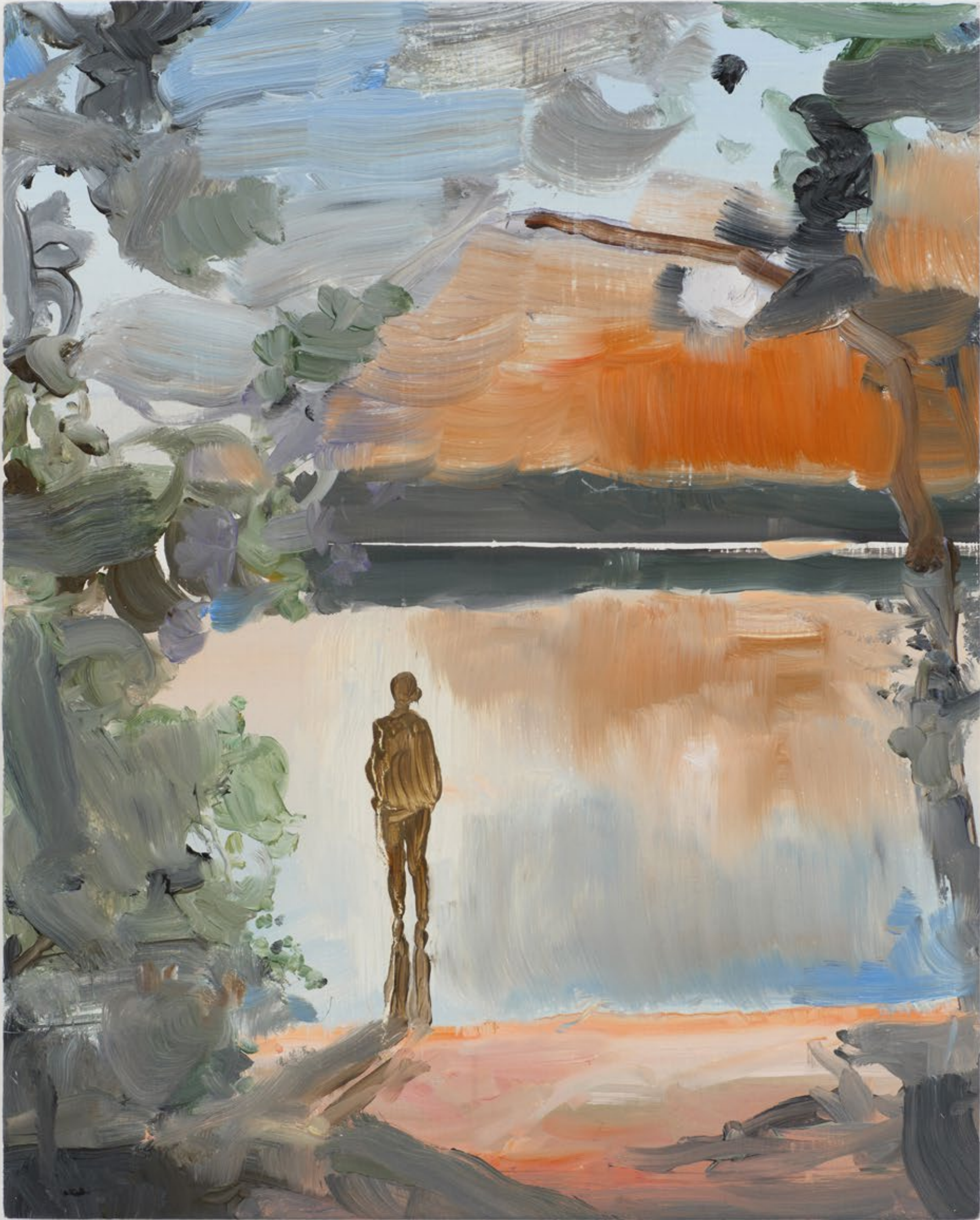
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Hans Peter Thomas

b. 1968 in Bonn Germany
Lives and works in Los Angeles and Berlin

Education

1997 Art Academy of Munich
1999 DAAD scholarship in Rotterdam/Netherlands
2009 MAK Schindler scholarship in Los Angeles

Solo Exhibitions

2023 Hans-Peter Thomas, Paul Soto, office, Los Angeles
SIEBEN TIERE, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
2013 Steel Etchings, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
2011 Mall of Mirrors, Galerie Ben Kaufmann, Berlin
2010 Bara Public Portrait Session Roberto Ohrt, Wonderloch Kellerland, Berlin
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Bara / Philippa Horan, Wonderloch Kellerland, Berlin
Monster Grid Paintings, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
2009 Werkschau 11, Kunstverein Oldenburg
Empfänger / Sender, Ben Kaufmann, Berlin
2007 Bara, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
2006 Stufe I, Galerie Ben Kaufmann, Berlin
2005 Goslar, Galerie Ben Kaufmann, Munich
Hier kommt Forschung, Galerie Na Bidylku, Brno
Mutung, forever & aday, Berlin
2004 Hallung, Autocenter Berlin
Das Alphabet, Galerie Guido W. Baudach, Berlin
An American Funeral, EZ-Gallery, New York
2001 Robinson Crusoe, TENT, Rotterdam

Group Exhibitions

2021 La renaissance de flâner, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
2020 Ausstellungsplakate 2004 - 2020, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
Intermezzo II, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
2018 Invited by Holger Endres, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
2016 The Gift Collection I, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
2014 Sein und Zeit, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
2013 Apokalyptik als Widerstand, Die Sammlung Tom Biber im Bayerischen
Armeemuseum, Ingolstadt
Berlin / Klondyke, Hipp-Halle, Gmunden
Berlin / Klondyke, Alte Baumwollspinnerei, Leipzig
Call of the Wild, LA Mart, Project Space, Los Angeles

2012 Black Oriental, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
Berlin / Klondyke, Neuer Pfaffenhofener Kunstverein, Pfaffenhofen
2011 Come Closer, Thomas Erben Gallery, New York
Neue Abstraktion, Fahnmann Projects, Berlin
The Magic Sexy Templeloch of Wonderspirit, Wonderloch Kellerland, Berlin
Geste, Zufall, Prozess. Die neue Abstraktion, Galerie Nosbaum & Reding, Luxemburg
2010 Transzendenz Inc., Autocenter, Berlin
Buerokunst für die Mittelschicht, Galerie artThiess, Munich
Schwarz Gold, Schloss Beesenstedt / Halle
2009 5 years for friends, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
Geography of the imagination, Lead Apron, Los Angeles
Or how life could be, Np3 Groningen, Netherlands
2008 Meisterwerke des 21. Jahrhunderts, Galerie Ben Kaufmann, Berlin
Hier ist Amerika oder Nirgends, Galerie Ben Kaufmann, Berlin
Pop-Auge und die ewigen Quatschkommoden, Deutsche und Amerikanische Kunst
seit 1999, Patrick Painter Inc., Los Angeles
Sommergest der Herzchen, Autocenter Berlin
Most, La Fabrica, Prague
Bara, Bernhard Lehner, Chris Lipomi, forever and a day, büro, Berlin
12, works on paper, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
Kommando Giotto di Bondone, Gió Marconi, Milan
2007 All Hands on Deck, Galerie Ben Kaufmann, Munich
Die Macht des Dinglichen, Georg-Kolbe-Museum, Berlin
2006 Bara, René Luckhardt, Ulrich Wulff, Galerie Bernd Kugler, Innsbruck
La Boum II, Galerie Sies & Höke, Dusseldorf
das herr winkelmann stipendium, Munich
die coolste show von collhausen, Berlin
2005 Prof. Winkler Stipendium, Berlin
Kir Royal, Berlin
2004 Kommando Pfannekuchen, Gallery Daniel Hug, Los Angeles
2003 Sammlung Furler, in den Räumen der Sammlung, Berlin
Illegale Kunstwerke auf/s Papier, PR17, Berlin
Dioe, Hamburg
2002 Friede Freiheit Freiheit, Galerie Guido W. Baudach, Berlin
Tiere 2003, Haus der Eheleute Palme, Immenstadt
Große Kunstausstellung im Pazifik, Pazifik, Berlin
Ausflug-Exkursionen, loop-Raum für aktuelle Kunst, Berlin
2001 Viva November, Städtische Galerie Wolfsburg
2000 in Love, Galerie Javier Lopez, Madrid
1999 Parking, Highbridge Park, New York
1998 Morphing Systems, Klinik, Zurich