

Mendes Wood DM is pleased to present *Galáxias*, a collaborative and interdisciplinary exhibition conceived by artists Patricia Leite and Leticia Ramos. Working together for the first time, Leite and Ramos forge a creative path defined by their shared lifelong admiration for studying the skies. The exhibition follows an intuitive journey through their respective image construction approaches within photography and painting.

Patricia Leite, born in 1955 in Minas Gerais, is a painter whose work vibrates between abstraction and figuration. Her paintings deal with the movement from a solid state to an inconstant moment. Leticia Ramos, born in 1976 in Santo Antônio da Patrulha at Brazil's southern extremity, explores the limits of the production and exegesis of analog images through photographic and film works, which she also develops into installations, objects, publications, and performances.

The artists' departure from different generations, origins, and artistic pathways led both creative minds to immerse themselves in each other's frameworks. Through this process, both Leite and Ramos were able to identify an underlying shared fascination for the conception of landscapes. Both in the astronomical images Ramos created analogically and in the singular atmospheres Leite painted on wood.

*Galáxias* poetically represents celestial phenomena through photography and painting without proposing an assemblage of the mediums or searching for an axiom. The exhibition guides viewers through elements in each artist's work, and at the intersection of this process, both artists will unveil a collective piece, a new film and painting installation created for the exhibition.