

Galerie Gmurzynska opens New York City space with Wifredo Lam exhibition



Claudius Ochsner, Stephane Lam, Lucas Bscher, Isabelle Bscher, Eskil Lam, Mathias Rastorfer. Photo: Patrick McMullan.

NEW YORK, NY.- On Saturday December 15, 2018, Susan Sarandon, Joel Coen, Chris Noth, and Amy Sacco joined Isabelle Bscher, Krystyna Gmurzynska, and Mathias Rastorfer of [Galerie Gmurzynska](#), and the family of the late artist Wifredo Lam, in celebrating the opening of the gallery's debut New York City location, Galerie Gmurzynska US Inc., and its inaugural exhibition, "Le nouveau Nouveau Monde," by Wifredo Lam.

In the exhibition, Galerie Gmurzynska us Inc. presents a comprehensive look at the oeuvre of Wifredo Lam, the celebrated Chinese-Cuban Surrealist-Cubist painter, accompanied by a catalogue published for this occasion. Renowned art historian Germano Celant toasted the gallery's opening and introduced the exhibition to guests.

Under the direction of Martin Friedrichs, the gallery will be open from 10am to 6pm Monday through Friday and by appointment. In addition to the third-floor exhibition space, there is a sixth-floor office with additional wall space for the gallery's extensive collection, which includes work by Roberto

Matta, Fernand Léger, and Francesco Vezzoli, whose work will be the subject of an exhibition to open in the New York space in May.

More than 100 friends, collectors, and art-world luminaries gathered for a private reception and cocktail party at the new location of 39 East 78th Street to fete the 13,000-square-foot space before moving to The Mark Hotel for a dînatore. Guests included: Alina Baikova, Martina and Fabian Basabe, Lucas Bscher, Will Cotton, Stacy Engman, Rick Friedberg, Elizabeth Goizeuta, Angela Ho, Eskil Lam, Stephane Lam, Richard and Barbara Lane, Francine Le Frak, Alicia Liu, Micah McLaurin, Claudius Ochsner, Whitney Schott, Ramona Singer, Carly Steel, Trev Stevens, Tatum Summer, and John Ward.

Galerie Gmurzynska is an international art gallery with locations in Zurich, Zug, Switzerland, and New York City that specializes in modern and contemporary art as well as Russian avant-garde. Isabelle Bscher, is the third-generation owner and director.

Galerie Gmurzynska presents unique exhibitions that are both historically well researched and scientifically documented. It works with leading art historians as well as collaborating with museums on exhibitions and for the enlargement of their permanent collections. Additionally, it participates in multiple art fairs including Art Basel Miami Beach, Art Basel Hong Kong, Frieze Masters in London, Salon in New York and Art Basel, Switzerland, FIAC, Abu Dhabi, Frieze Masters, Tefaf and Expo Chicago, where it is regularly identified as a must-see booth.

Known for its museum quality and uniquely curated exhibitions, Galerie Gmurzynska has hosted over 150 shows in its various premises and published over 100 art historical catalogues and catalogue raisonné in close collaboration with experts worldwide. Moreover, the gallery has represented the estates of some of the world's greatest artists such as Yves Klein, Louise Nevelson, Wifredo Lam and David Smith, in some cases for several generations, and contemporary artists Robert Indiana, Christo, Fernando Botero, and Ronnie Cutrone.