

## **Jocelyn Hobbie**

### *New Paintings*

October 10 – November 9, 2013

Opening reception: October 10, 6-8pm

**Fredericks & Freiser** is pleased to announce an exhibition of new paintings by **Jocelyn Hobbie**. Hobbie paints hyper-realistic portraits of fictional women that are suggestive but not explicit, beautiful but not naïve. Her subjects are represented in isolated moments of disturbance or repose, yet the dominant atmosphere is a strange iciness that creates a psychological distance, at once familiar and disturbing.

Hobbie's work has evolved to employ an increasingly heightened naturalism and a greater degree of saturated color. She contrasts dense areas of patterning, tattoos, flowers, and other surrogates for vivid moments of experience with a sense of disillusionment or riveted composure evident in her women's expressions – always elusive and far away. There is also a hint of eroticism captured in the settings as figures are delicately strewn across blankets and propped up in chairs. In some paintings, anonymous hands and legs invade intimate spaces. In others, the focus remains on one woman, wiping away a tear from her cheek, or wearily succumbing to a pervasive spellbound juncture. With an amplified color palette and a neoclassical style, Hobbie exposes the sentiment inherent in her depictions of women's interior states. Here, she defines and undermines ideas of intimacy, creating a haunting realism, simultaneously artificial and trenchant.

#### **About the Artist**

**Jocelyn Hobbie** was born in Northampton, MA. She has had solo exhibitions at Bellwether, New York; Jack Tilton, New York; and Galleria Glance, Italy. Hobbie has been included in numerous group exhibitions, most recently at The Hole, New York. She was featured in *Painting People: Figure Painting Today* by Charlotte Mullins, published by D.A.P. Hobbie lives and works in New York.

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