

DIAZ CONTEMPORARY

Gordon Peterson

UNLUCKY 13

13 June to 13 July 2013

Opening Thursday 13 June from 6 to 8

Twelve new paintings by Toronto-based artist Gordon Peterson are the results of a systematic revisiting of an earlier work that Peterson first completed in 2009. Altogether, the thirteen intricately executed and intimately scaled paintings of *UNLUCKY 13* explore the translation and diffusion of a visual language originating from a single composition. The ensuing twelve newer paintings exemplify how Peterson's series seeks to continuously evolve throughout its nonlinear development, with the newest works taking cues from the growing number of those already completed.

For several years, Peterson has re-examined his own earlier work as content for newer endeavours. This methodical strategy has provided the artist with freedom to explore new solutions to concerns of painting without the impediment of subject matter.

UNLUCKY 13 is the largest series of works executed within this strategy and Peterson's first solo exhibition with the gallery.

Gordon Peterson is originally from Winnipeg, but currently lives and works in Toronto. In 2012, G Gallery presented his solo exhibition, *Nightmare Painting, Painting of Nightmare Painting*. Peterson has also exhibited at the Winnipeg Art Gallery, Plug In ICA (Winnipeg), and the Khyber Centre for the Arts (Halifax). His work is featured in private and public collections, such as the Winnipeg Art Gallery, the Province of Manitoba and the Faculty of Architecture at the University of Manitoba.