

LALEH JUNE GALERIE

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Solo exhibition
Lori Hersberger
Instant Karma
August 31 – October 27 2012

Basel

Laleh June Galerie Basel is very pleased to announce the upcoming solo exhibition *Instant Karma* by Swiss artist Lori Hersberger.

Lori Hersberger was born in Basel. He studied video, art and sculpture at the Schule für Gestaltung (SFG) in Basel from 1991 - 1995.

In the exhibition *Nonchalance Revisited* (1998) in the Atrium of the Berlin Academy of Art, Hersberger showed a site-related landscape of carpets. Having seen this work, Harald Szeemann invited Lori Hersberger to the 1999 Venice Biennale. The monumental work he created there, consisting of floating second-hand carpets and entitled *Archaic Modern Suite*, brought him instant international fame.

Hersberger had his first major solo exhibition *Day - Glo Blues Conspiracy* in the Museum für Gegenwartskunst Basel in 2001.

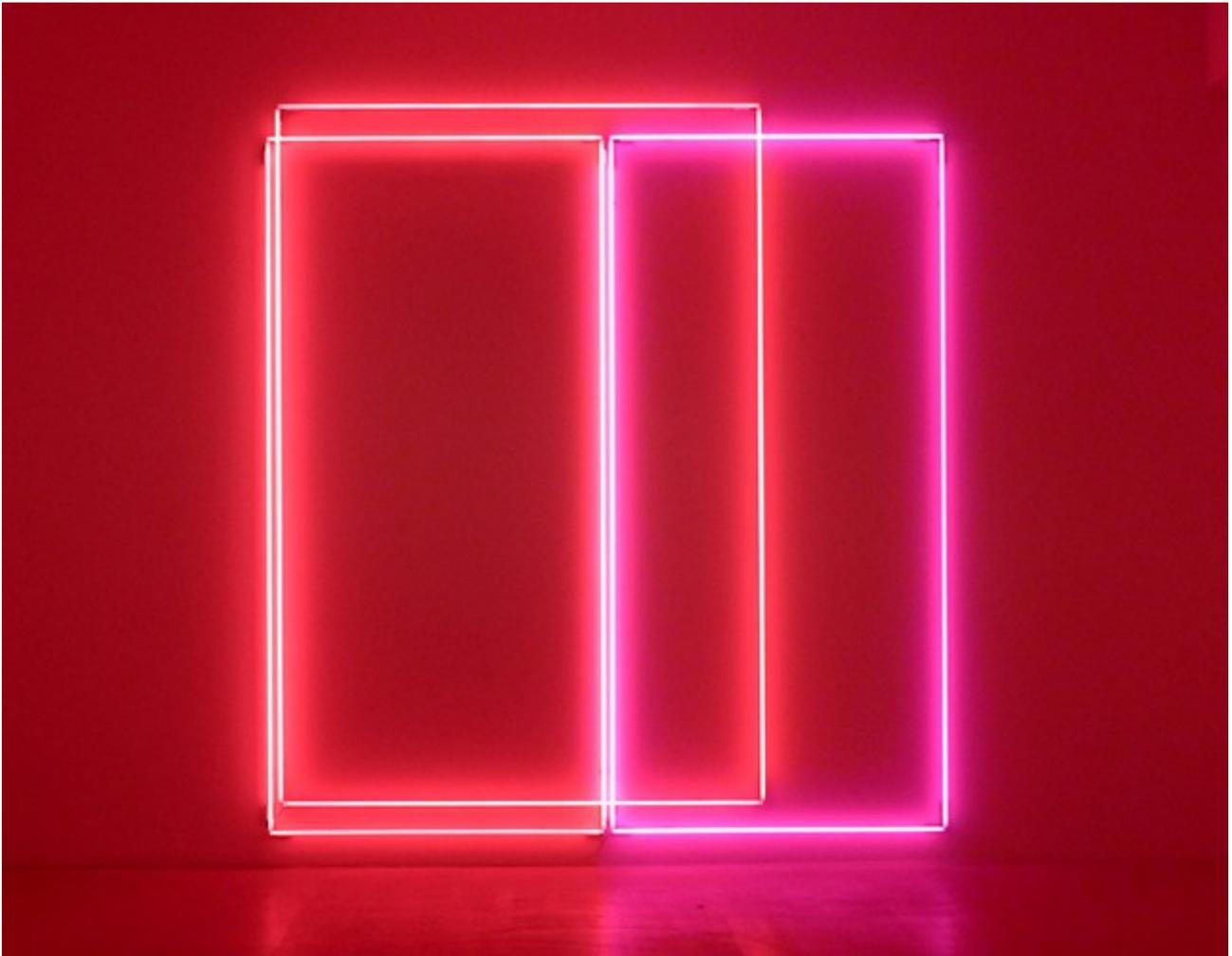
With the exhibition *Instant Karma* we will present lightworks and metal sculptures from the *Intergalactic Totem* series, which have been exhibited for the first time in 2008 at his solo exhibition *Phantom Studies* in the Musée d'Art Contemporain in Lyon. He has created these sculptures using chromesteel boxes shaped through the extraction of air by creating a vacuum. Recently one of them (in 24 karat of Gold) was on show from March 15 until June 17 2012 in the exhibition *Gold* in the Palace & Museum Belvedere in Vienna.

In October 2012 Lori Hersberger is going to present his new work in a major solo exhibition at the Kunsthalle Giessen.

Hersberger now lives and works in Zurich, Switzerland. Since the early 1990s Lori has exhibited in various Swiss and international institutions including museums and prestigious private collections.

The Opening Reception will be on Friday August 31 2012 from 5 to 9 pm. You are cordially invited to meet with the artist.

For more information regarding this exhibition, and press inquiries please contact Laleh at info@lalehjune.com or at +41.61.228.77.78.



Geist No. 16 (XVI), 2012, Installation with Neon (3 Parts), Fluorescent Pink, H: 290 x 100 cm
View of installation Lori Hersberger *Instant Karma* at Laleh June Galerie Basel