

OOLONG GALLERY

NADA Miami

Sally Scopa

December 3 – 7, 2024

Booth D100

Ice Palace Studio, Miami, FL



Oolong Gallery is thrilled to present a solo booth of new works by artist, Sally Scopa, at the 2024 edition of NADA Miami this December 3 – 7, 2024 in the Ice Palace Studios Miami, FL.

These paintings are from a new series of work titled Rube's Orchard to be premiered during Art Basel Miami at the NADA Art Fair with Oolong Gallery.

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In her latest abstract works, Scopa thinks through the creativity, seasonality, and strangeness of being in a body. In *Upside-down Orchard*, spherical, fruit-like forms float upwards and draw the viewer's eye around the scene. The piece is a meditation on what it means to nurture something outside the self, whether painting, plant or loved one.

For Scopa, painting brings a sense of stillness, excitement, and an awareness of the body; her work is an invitation to share in this focused state. Her paintings take shape through a process of layering, erasing back down to excavate previous layers, and allowing moves to accumulate intuitively, each in response to the one before.

Scopa's paintings often have a shallow or artificial depth, almost like the simulated space of a game or a maze, inviting the feeling that a viewer could wander around inside and that a spirit of playful openness is enough to approach these works. Rube Goldberg machines, aquariums, molecular diagrams of the human body, and geographical strata all form starting points for her paintings which, through a process of slow tuning, gradually become abstract enough to hold many different associations.

Sally Scopa is a painter based in Bellingham, Washington, where she teaches at Western Washington University. She runs Queen—a project space with the dimensions of a queen-sized bed—out of her home. The space supports emerging artists in the Pacific Northwest and beyond.

Scopa has been awarded residencies at the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, SOMA in Mexico City, and the Cité internationale des arts in Paris, France. Recent shows include a solo exhibition at Oolong Gallery (San Diego) and a two-person exhibition at el Museo de la Ciudad (Querétaro, MX) with Carlos Vielma, as well as group exhibitions at 550 Gallery (New York) Ladies' Room LA (Los Angeles) and Radio28 (Mexico City).

Scopa holds a BA in Visual and Environmental Studies from Harvard University and an MFA in Art Practice from Stanford University. She is originally from San Francisco, California.

Dates & Times:

VIP Preview (by Invitation):

Tuesday, December 3, 10am–4pm

VIP Hour (by Invitation):

Thursday, December 5, 10–11am

Open to the Public:

Tuesday, December 3, 4–7pm

Wednesday, December 4, 11am–7pm

Thursday, December 5, 11am–7pm

Friday, December 6, 11am–7pm

Saturday, December 7, 11am–6pm

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