

BENJAMIN DEGEN

This is the third installment of a series of studio visit videos created by art advisor <u>Serena Trizzino</u> featuring some of the most compelling artists of the contemporary art scene.

About Serena:

<u>Serena Trizzino</u> is a contemporary art advisor who specializes in emerging and mid-carreer artists. She is committed to build compelling collections and inspire clients to become true art lovers and supporters.

About the Artist:

Born in 1976, Brooklyn, NY.

Lives and works in New York.

Benjamin Degen works in painting, drawing and sculpture. His artworks are an interplay between elements and conventions of Western and Eastern classical aesthetic traditions as well as American folk art, abstract painting and typography.

Degen received his BFA in 1998 from Cooper Union.

He had solo exhibitions at Susan Inglett Gallery, Guild and Greyshkul Gallery and Museum 52 in New York City as well as Kantor Feuer Gallery in Los Angeles, and Medium Gallery in St. Barthelemy (French West Indies). His work has been featured in group shows in the US, Europe and Asia. His artworks are included in the permanent collections of the MoMA, The Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, and The Collezione Maramotti.

He has taught painting and drawing at The Cooper Union in New York City and has been a visiting artist at Rhode Island School of Design, Maryland Institute of Contemporary Art, Brooklyn College and the Yale University School of Art Norfolk program.