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Stefan Löffelhardt STO.STO.

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We are pleased to present new sculptures and photographs by Stefan Löffelhardt in his second solo exhibition at Galerie Aurel Scheibler.

Objects and photographs are two seperated fields of his work, associated with eachother by the connecting element water. The photographs present improvisational waterlandscapes, the sculptures characterise ships.

"STO. STO." as exhibition title was inspired by the US weather channel documentary show "Storm Stories".

Löffelhardt's objects relate to classical sculptural work: He creates makeshift, architectural constructions in a reduced scale. They are created in a growing process, one part leads to the following. The floating bodies are the basis of each sculpture and together with their superstructures, made of different, often found, used material, they form complex formations. The glass-substructures function both as pedestal and as a part of the sculpture.

The photographic waterlandscapes are not to be understood as typical photographic works, they are rather comparable with

painting than with classical documentary photography and show staged compositions created by the artist.

The studiofloor, covered with planes and foils, seems to swim, the subsoil deliquesces and associates spacious seemingly romantic waterlandscapes, in which poetry is refracted by the materials' dowdiness.

Next to literary allusions, light, perspective-refraction and contrast play a decisive role.

After a sculptor-apprenticeship and study visits at several academies of art, Stefan Löffelhardt received 6 scholarships by important institutes, e.g. the »Karl Schmitt-Ruttloff Stipendium« of the »Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes« and the "Stiftung Kunstfonds, Bonn" scholarship this year. During the forthcoming Art Cologne he is one of the recipients of a "Young Talents" sponsorship programme.

Stefan Löffelhardt, born in 1959, lives and works in Düsseldorf, Germany.

Opening reception: Friday, September 2nd, 2005, 18 -21 h, the artist will be present.

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