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MICHAEL DELL

DISTANT PICTURES

MICHAEL DELL - "DISTANT PICTURES"

OPENING:

June 20, 2024

* The artist will be present at the gallery opening.

TIME:

18:00 - 20:00

LOCATION:

Ronewa Art Projects

Potsdamer Straße 91

10785 Berlin

EXHIBITION DATES:

June 21 – July 25, 2024

Ronewa Art Projects presents *Distant Pictures* – a solo exhibition, and European debut, by New Zealand artist **Michael Dell**. Taking culturally significant and critically acclaimed films from New Zealand contemporary cinema as a thematic basis for a series of abstract paintings and drawings, Dell creates alluring color gradients with delicately blended palettes that are rich with subtle textures and details. Dell's approach to art making is led by process and a commitment to materiality, whether he's creating abstract or representational work. His softened, almost hazy imagery is the result of the numerous applications of layers, which are added and removed over and over. Despite the association with storytelling, the works in this show contain an ambivalence toward narrative, conveying instead an intense and absorbing stillness. The colors of Dell's abstract gradients reference shots from the opening sequences of his chosen films. He also draws inspiration from physical elements of cinema, such as the image frame, the light of the projector beam, and imperfections that appear on celluloid film.

· Access Michele Dell's artist interview [here](#).

For full details and larger images, please see the end of this document.



Michael Dell 1960
An Angel at My Table, 2024
Signed and dated
Acrylic on linen
115 x 90 cm.
45 1/4 x 35 3/8 in.
(DELC/015)

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€ 4,500.00



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Vigil II, 2024
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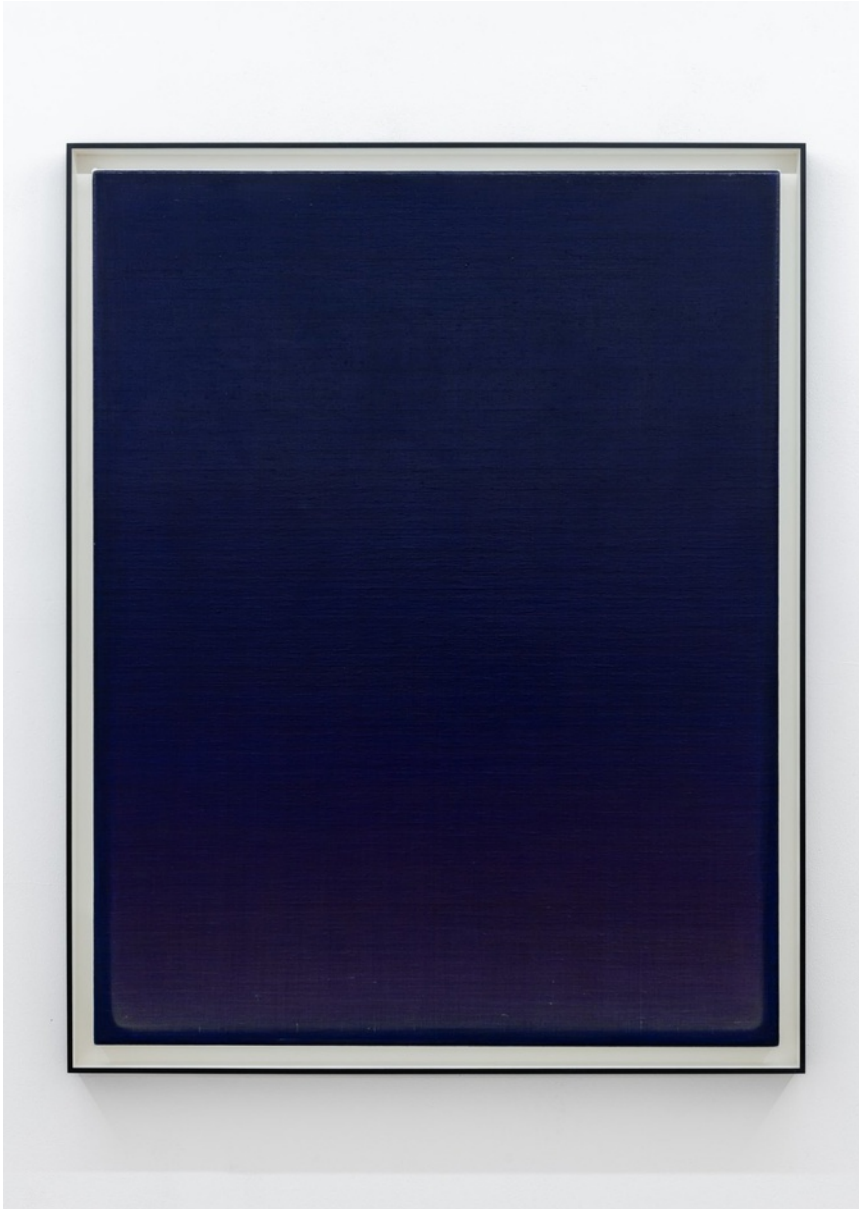
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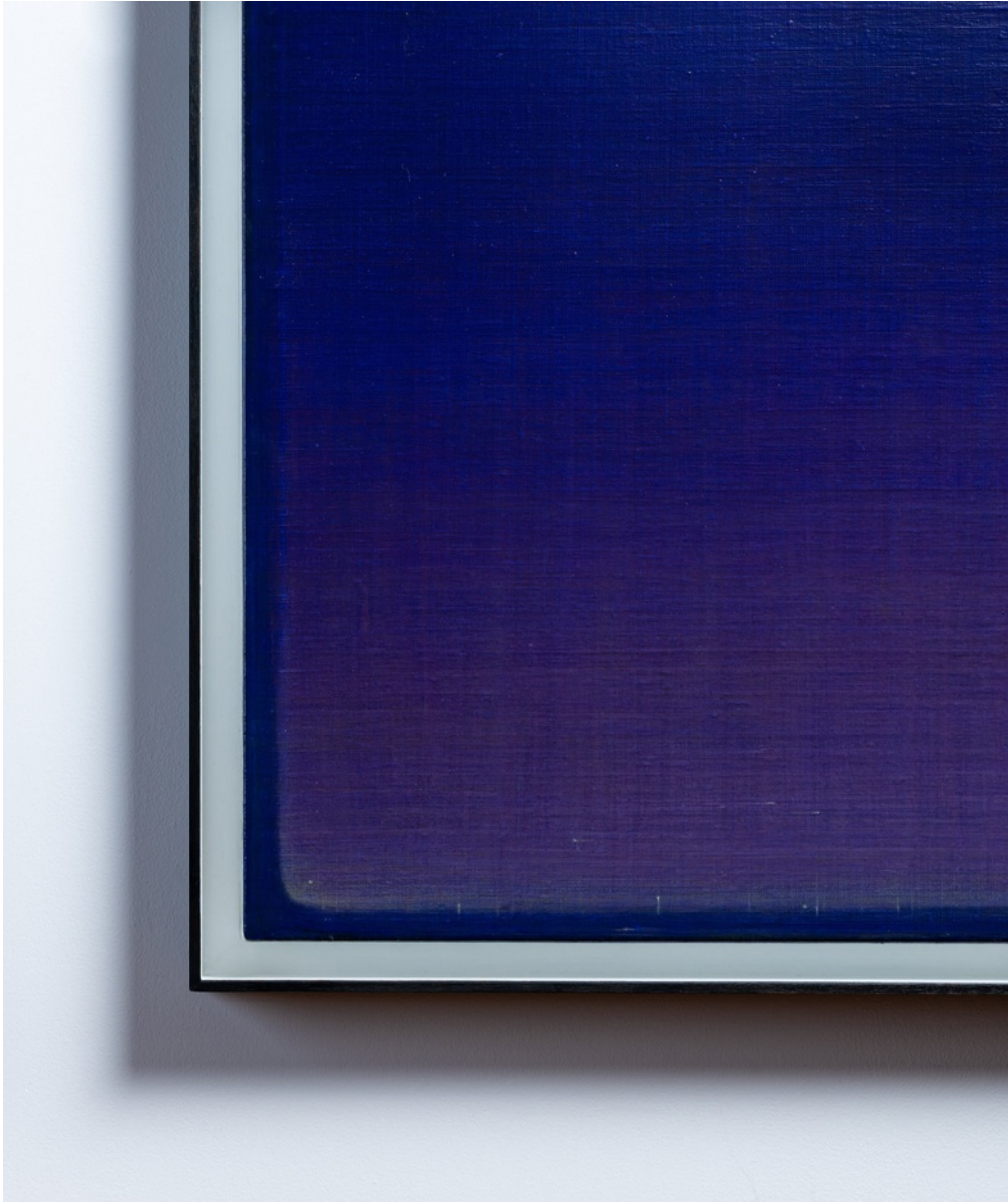


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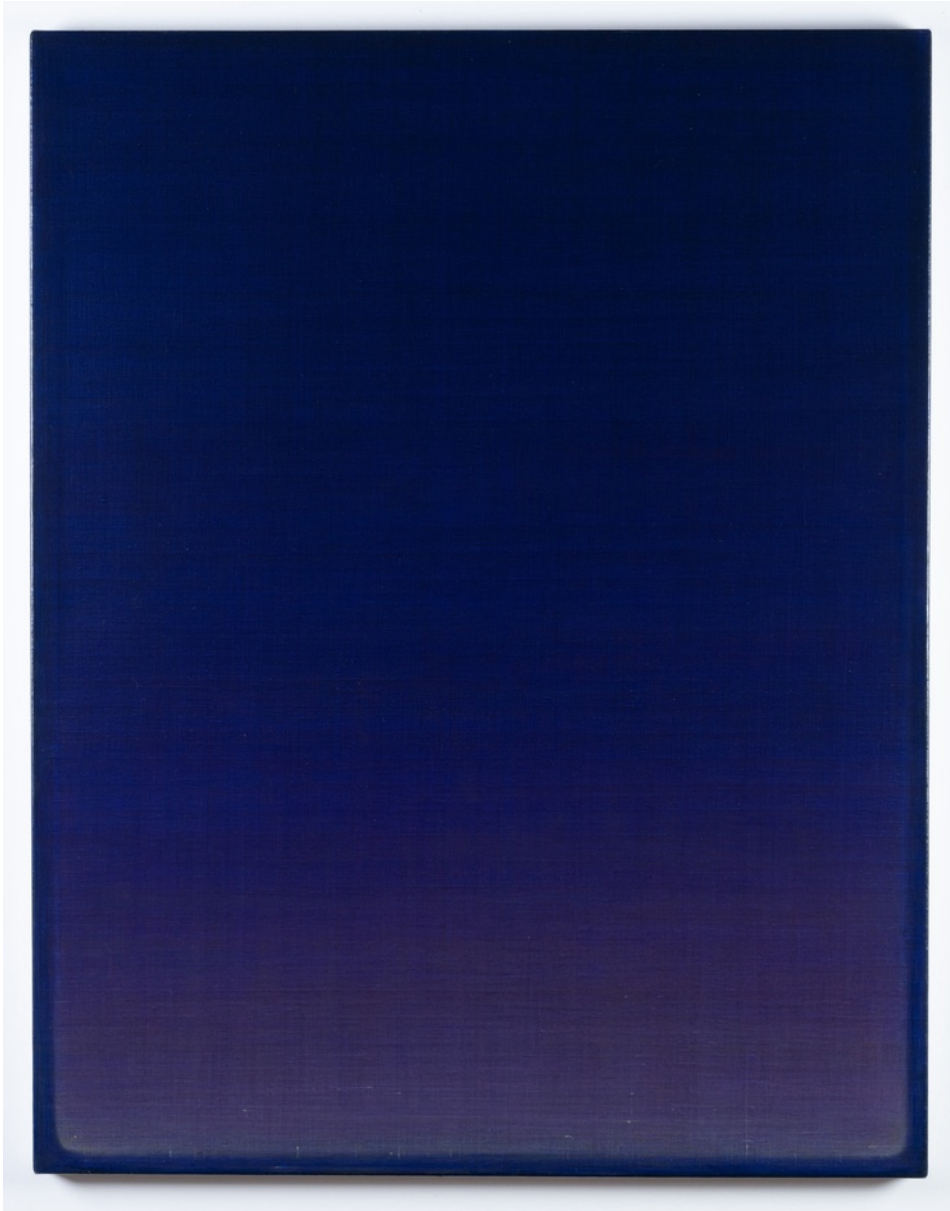


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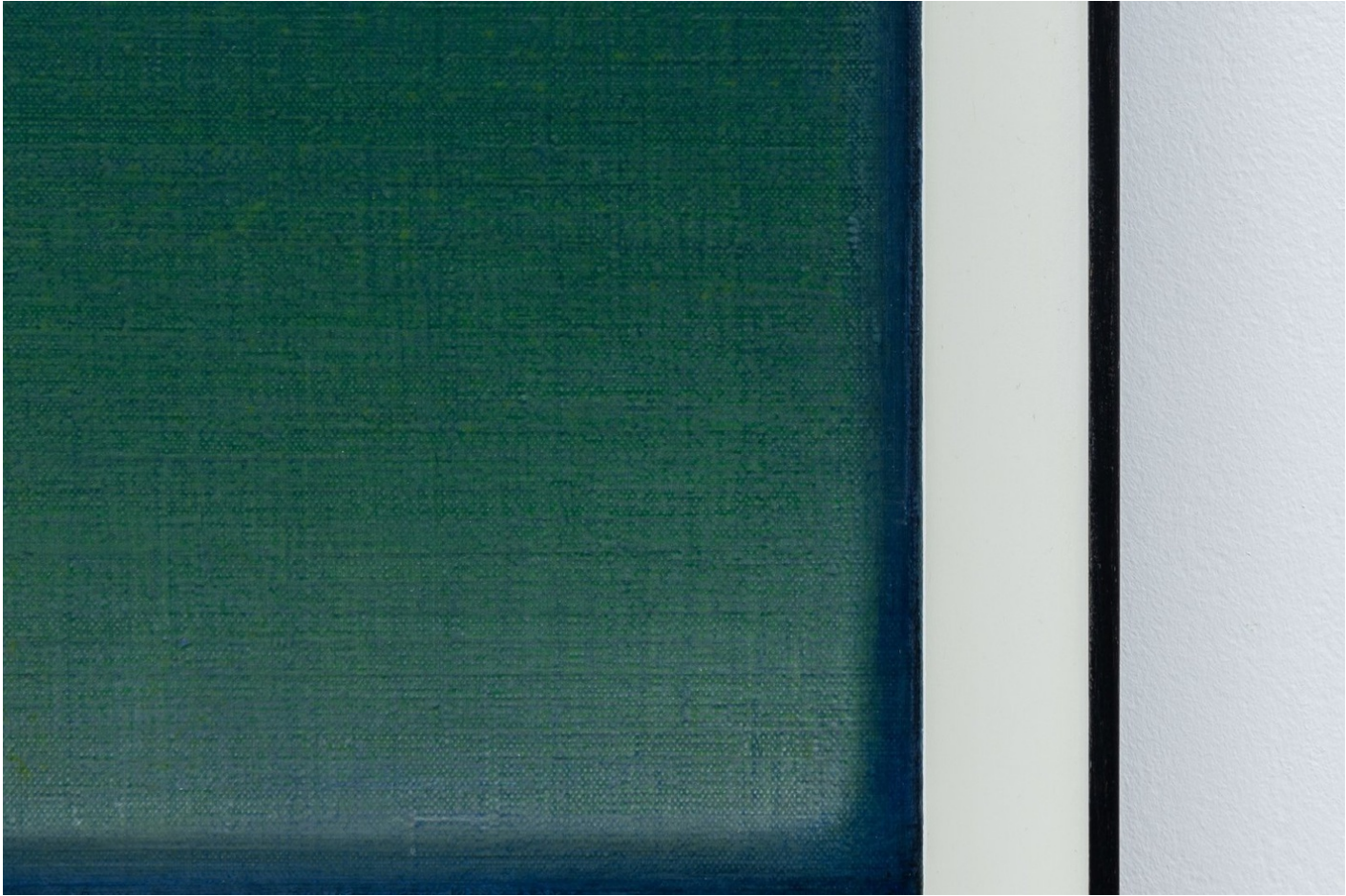


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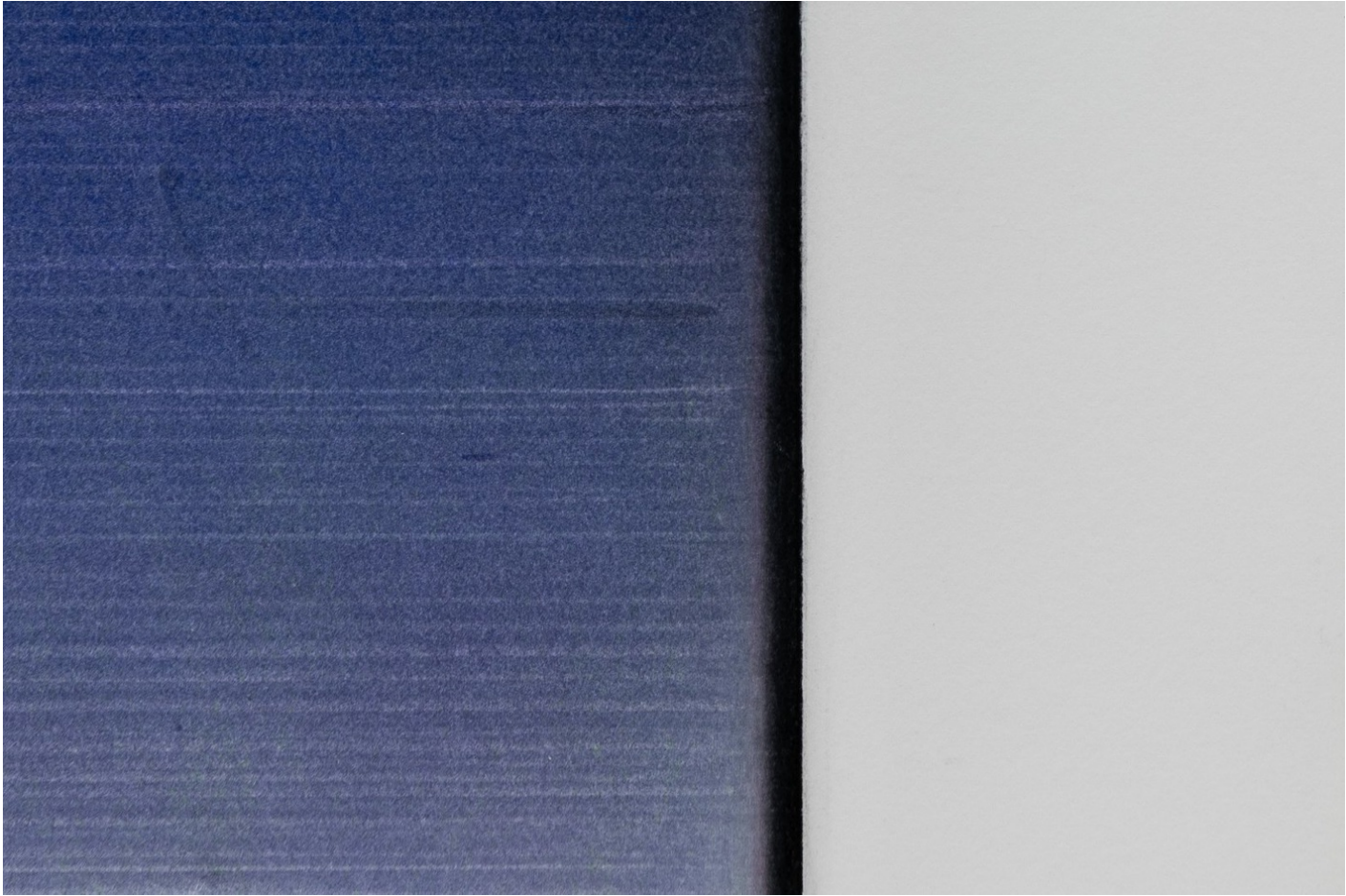
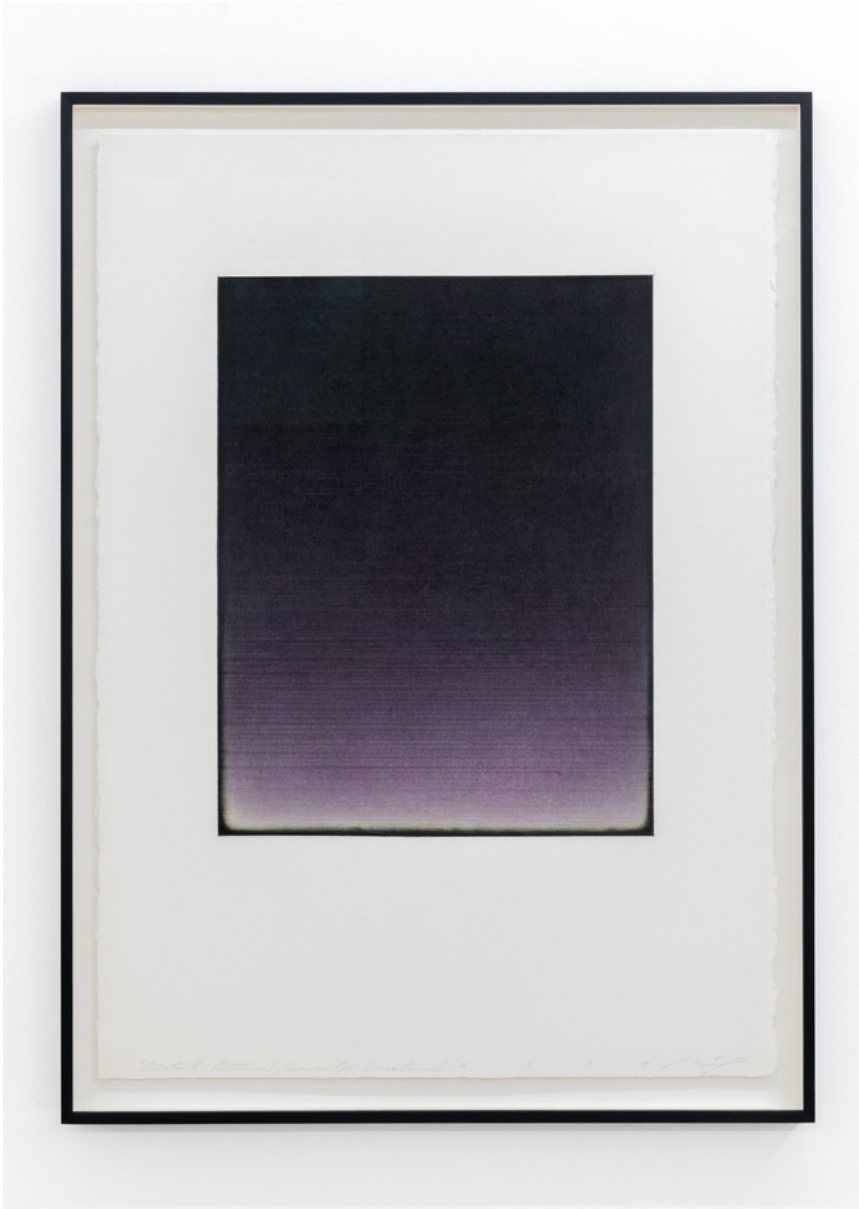


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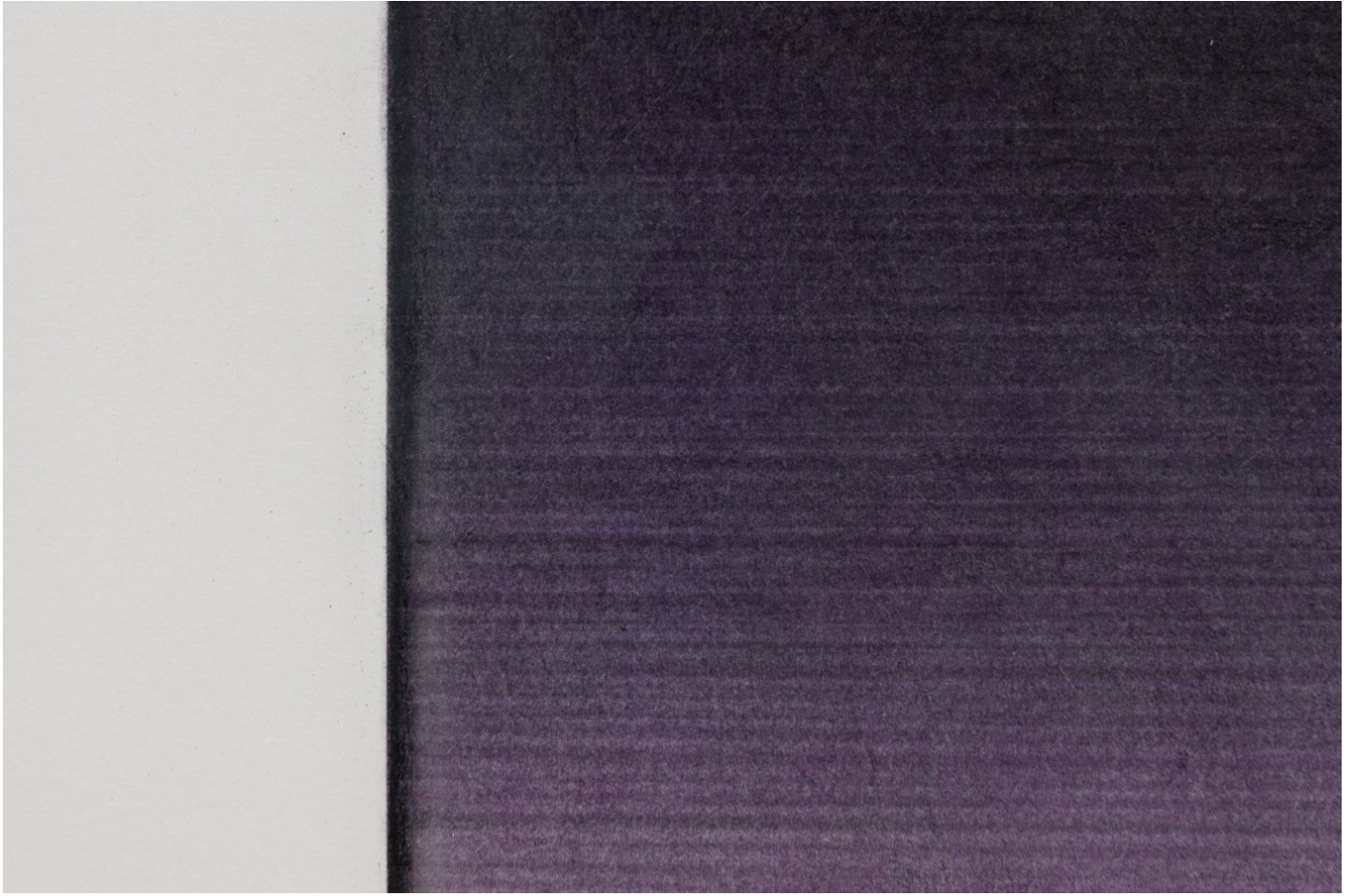


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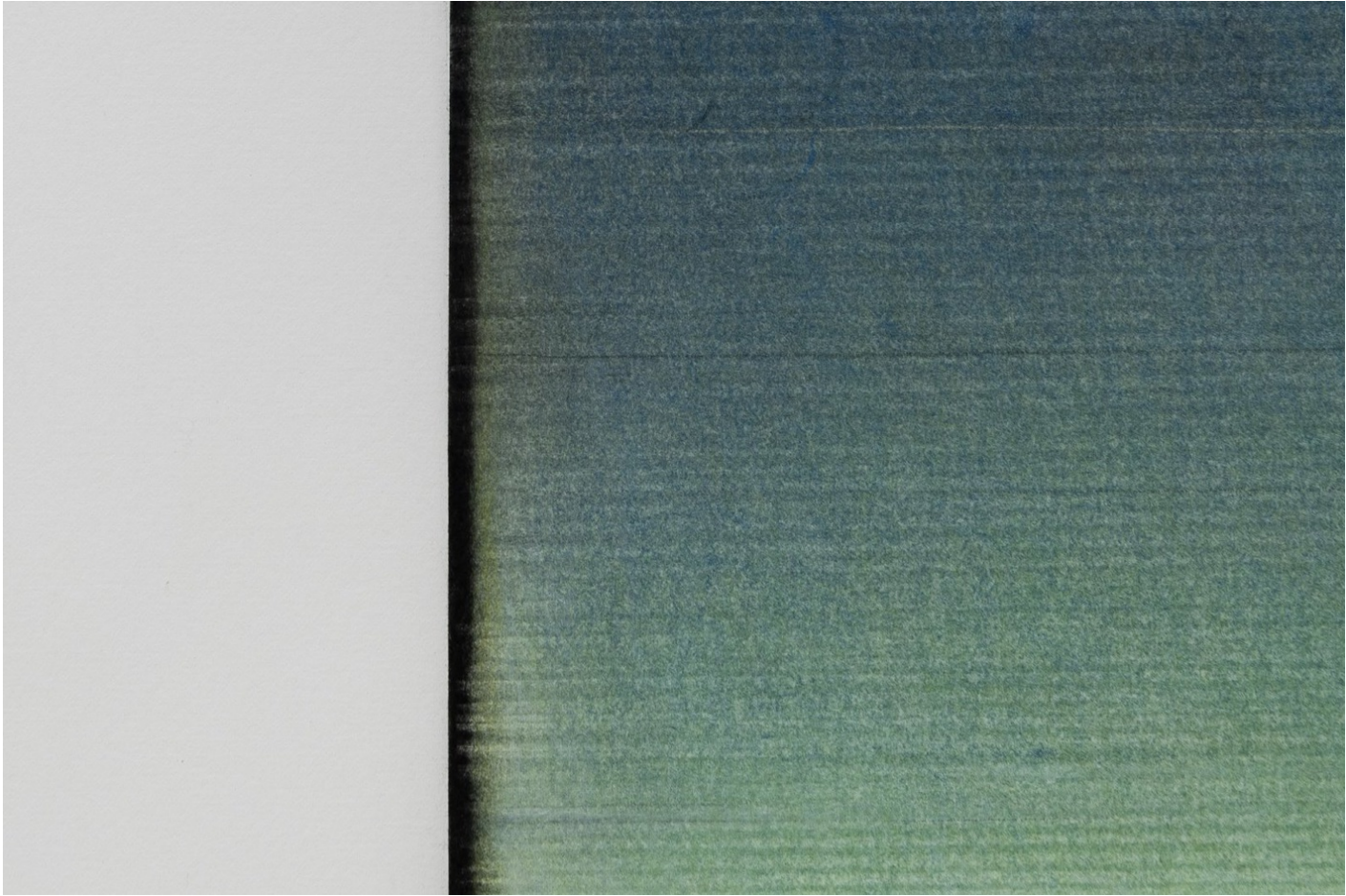
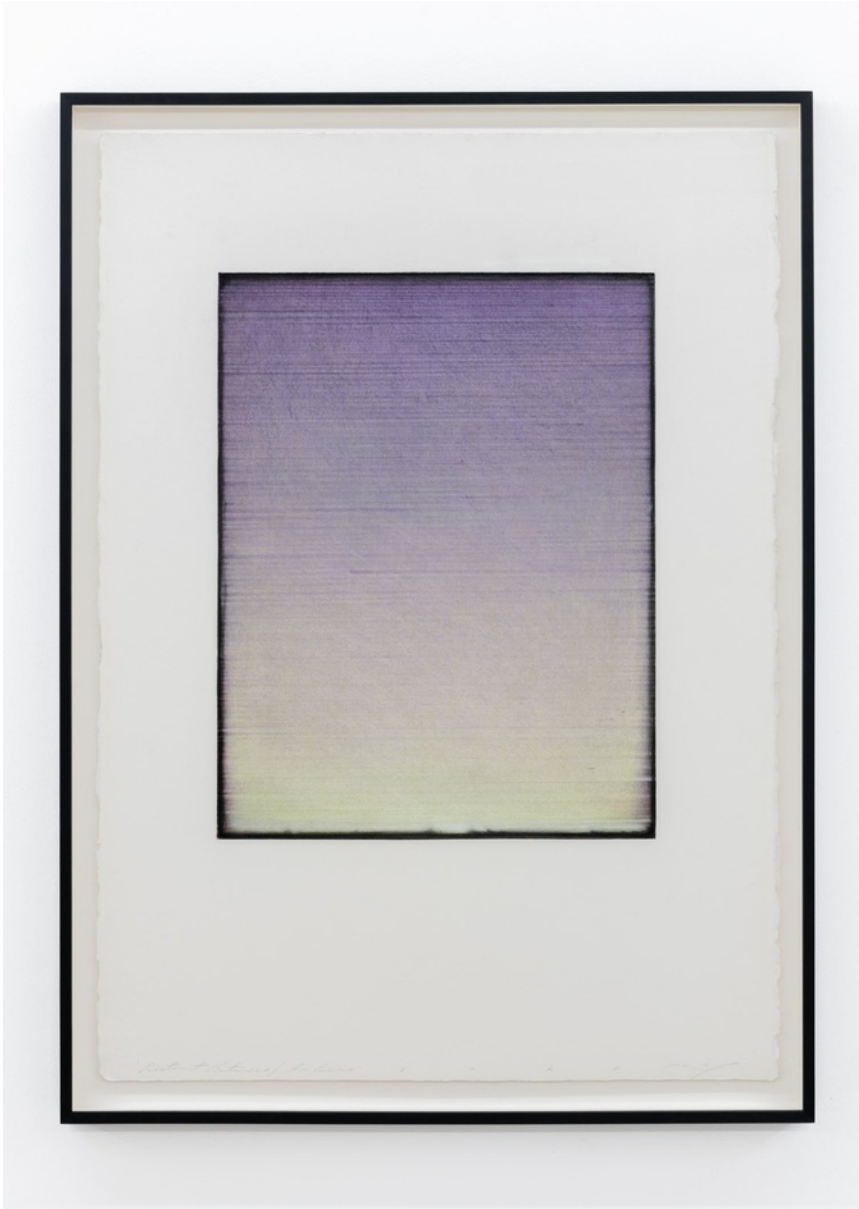


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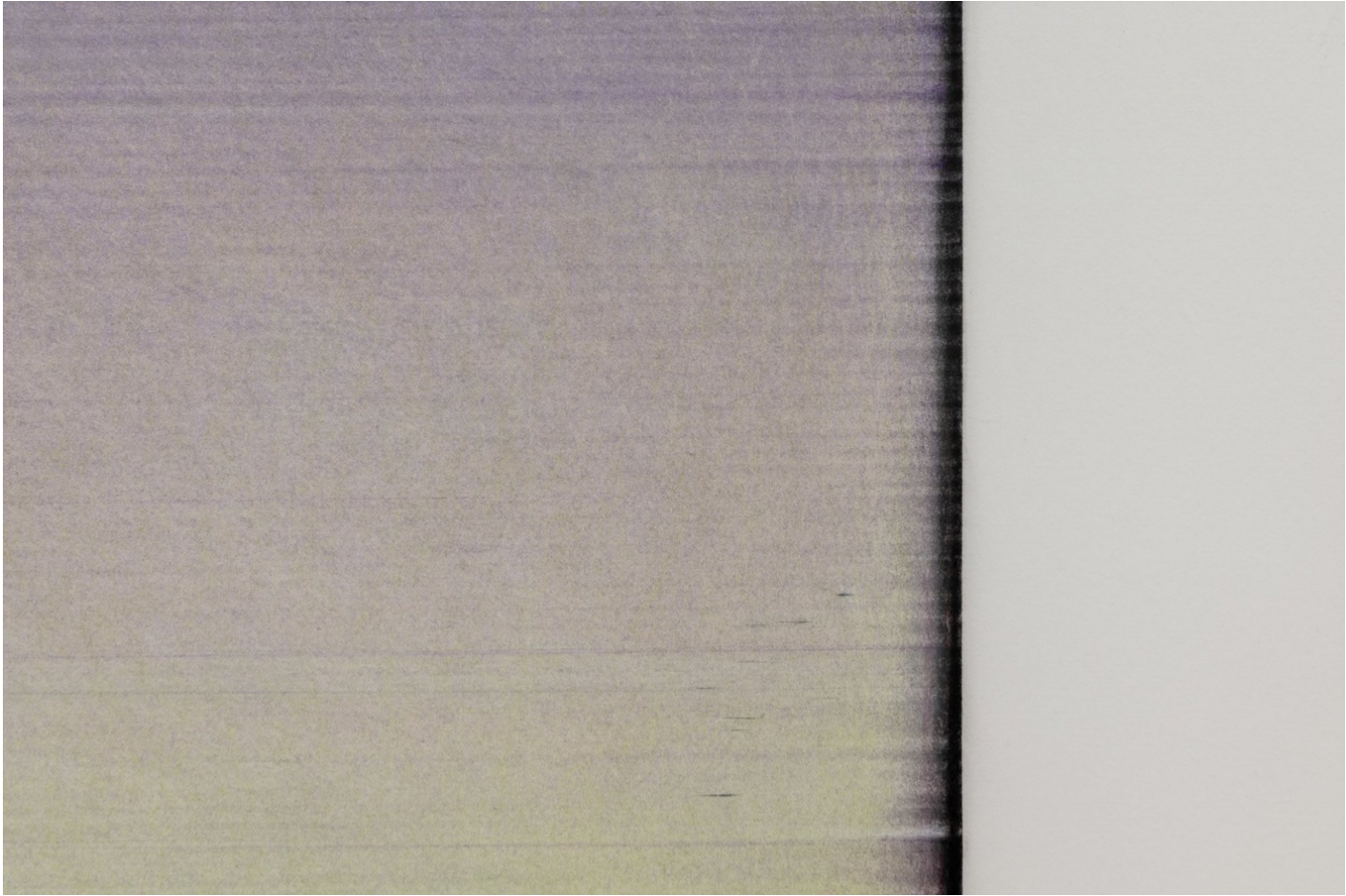
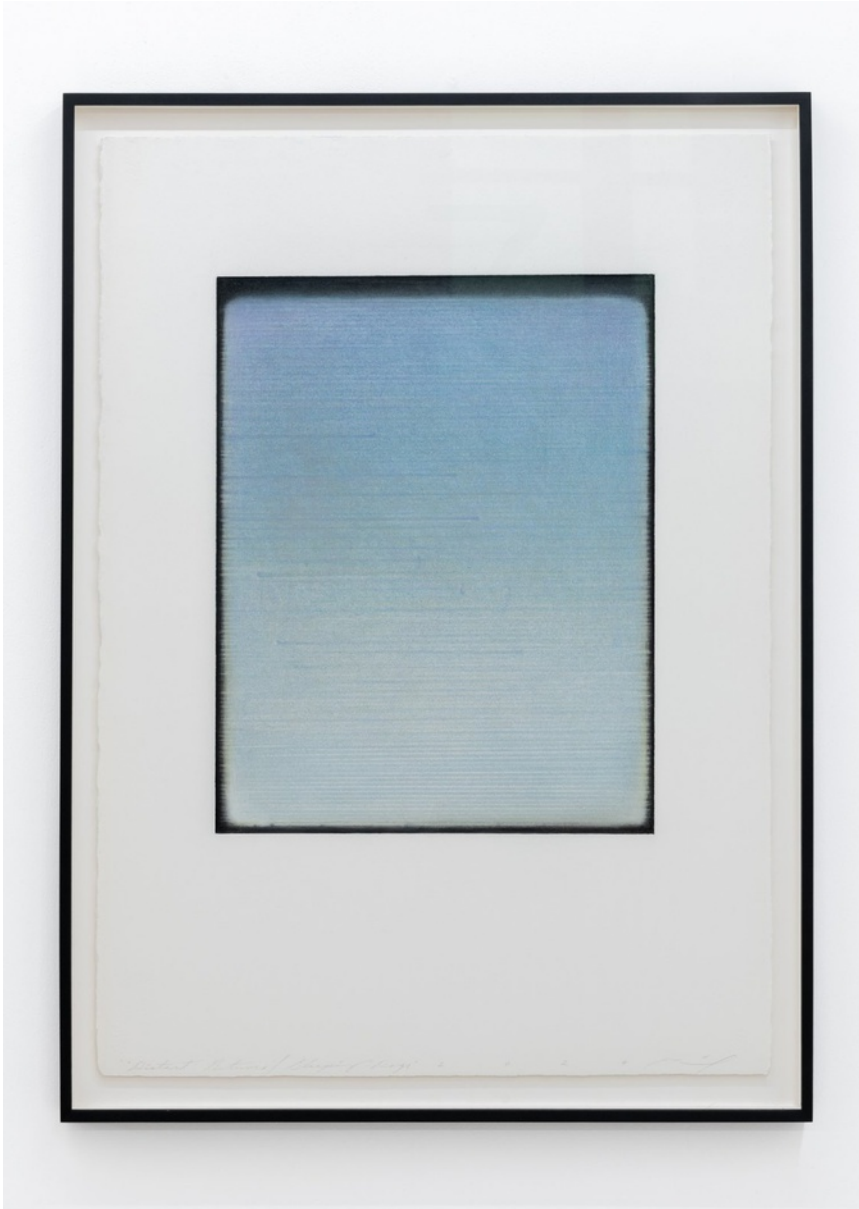


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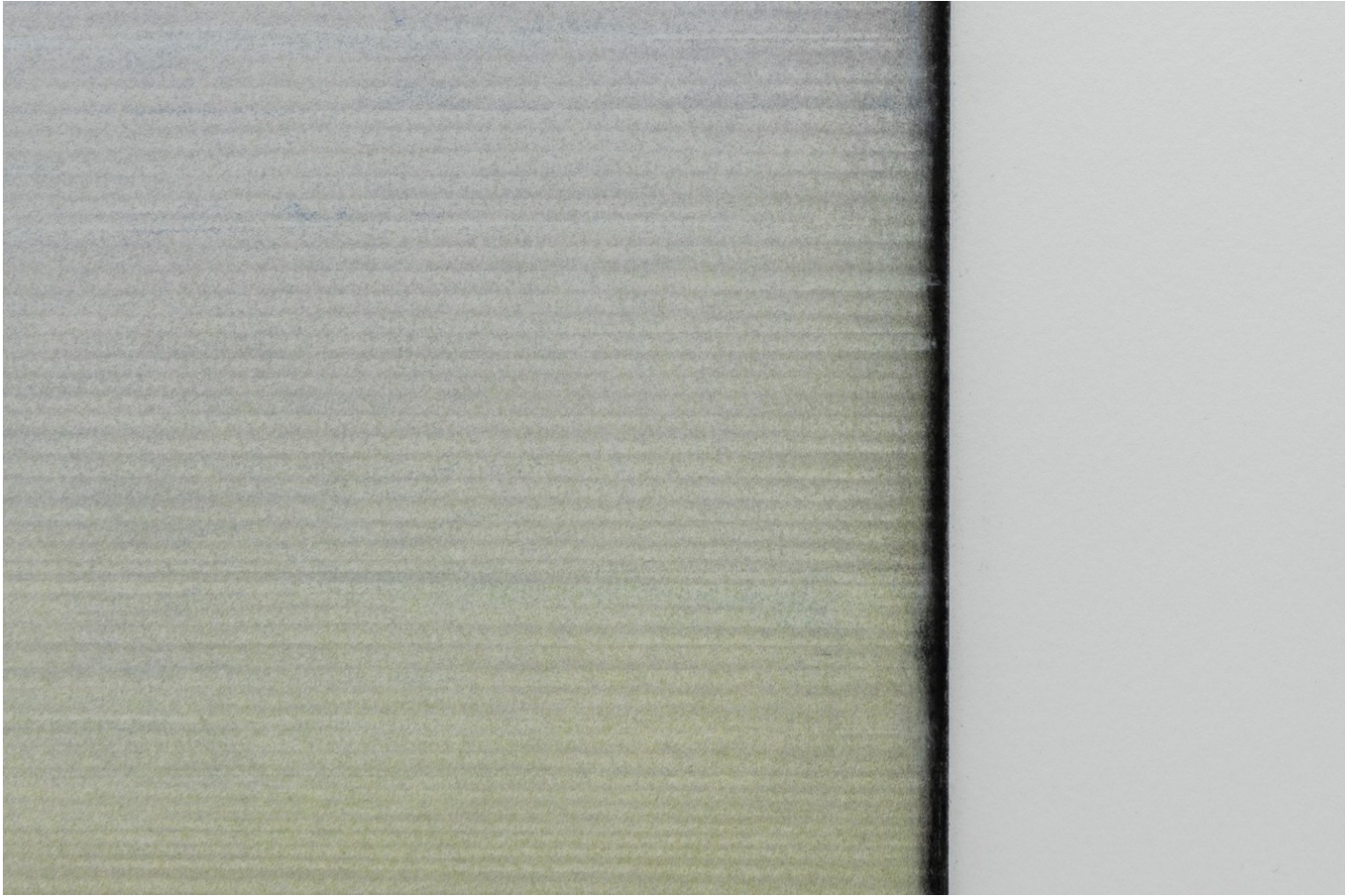


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ABOUT THE ARTIST:

Michael Dell was born in 1960 in Christchurch, New Zealand. He has exhibited solo shows widely within New Zealand and was selected for the touring group exhibition 'Print and Paper' that traveled to Kurashiki, Japan. In 2020, the Nelson public art museum, The Suter Art Gallery, held a solo exhibition of Dell's recent paintings and drawings.

His works are held in public art collections throughout New Zealand, including The Christchurch City Art Gallery, Waikato Museum of Art and History, The Suter Art Gallery, and in the Auckland University Art Collection. Dell is the recipient of several national art awards, most recently winning the 2019 Parkin Drawing Prize.