

# JOSEPH GROSS GALLERY

## MR HERGET & KNOWLEDGE BENNETT

### *NEVER SAID NEVER*

JANUARY 28 – FEBRUARY 20 2016

OPENING RECEPTION:

Thursday, January 28, 6-8PM



Joseph Gross Gallery is pleased to present *Never Said Never*, a two-person exhibition with Los Angeles based contemporary artists MR Herget and Knowledge Bennett. This exhibition will showcase new works on canvas by both artists. The artists will be in attendance for the opening reception, which will be held from 6:00-8:00PM on Thursday, January 28th 2016.

MR Herget is an emerging artist best known for his works on canvas. His style is both abstract and inventive, utilizing spray paint, oil and crayon. Giving the impression of perpetual movement, his intense brushwork explores the structure of the image and reinvents the subject with contagious energy. A relentless pursuit of progress is central to every project MR Herget undertakes; his work investigates universal concepts with the pursuit of truth and self-discovery as driving forces.

Herget considers the creative process to be “a constant mission of finding ourselves”; his previous bodies of work have dealt with varied themes such as politics, adulthood and spectrums of identity.

Knowledge Bennett is a self-taught artist best known for his reimagined tributes to cultural and artistic icons. “In today’s world of social media saturation, people’s attention spans are at an all time low”, Knowledge notes. By capitalizing on widely recognizable iconography, Bennett captures the interest of the viewer just long enough to shift their focus to culturally relevant issues. Intent on paying homage to the masters of pop art, his high-impact images deliver statements that range from social to political.

Knowledge Bennett was born in 1976 in Asbury Park, New Jersey. Bennett has garnered an impressive international following, with commissioned works being shown worldwide in private collections as far as Turkey and Monaco. He has previously exhibited in Miami, New York, New Jersey and Los Angeles.

MR Herget was born in Miami in 1990. Since his 2012 debut, his work has been featured in City Gazettes, Juxtapoz, and Luze Magazine. He has exhibited in Miami, Dallas, San Francisco, New York, and Los Angeles.

Images: Matthew Herget, *Wishing Doesn’t Work*, 2015, oil & spray paint on canvas.

Knowledge Bennett, *Grace Jones (Gold)*, 2015, acrylic & silk screen on canvas.

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