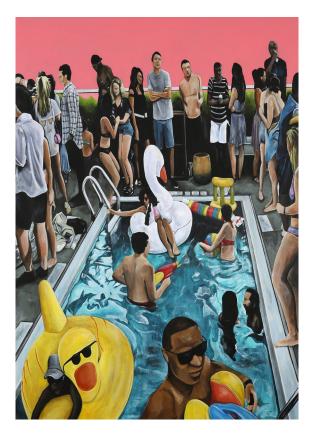
## There's a Pool on the Roof

Recent works by Courtney Heather

June 1 - 23, 2018

The Cluster Gallery is pleased to announce "There's a Pool on the Roof", a solo show of recent works by Courtney Heather, a Brooklyn Art Cluster Residency Program Artist in 2018. The exhibition will be on view from June 1 through June 23, 2018, with a public opening reception on Friday, June 1, 7-9pm.



Courtney Heather's paintings are referenced from video stills, influenced by the allure of the familiar and the unknown. Being raised in Southern California suburbia plays a role in her works where there's an infatuation with glamour. Similar to films, music, and literature, she creates a copy of this idealization through painting.

After living and studying abroad in London for 2 years, tourist crowds all over Europe have inspired Courtney's past body of work, Spectateurs. They depict places/events around the world where crowds are formed. The backgrounds are left white to create an ambiguous force that draws many to it, with the people left in the foreground hinting what it may possibly be.

The idea of crowds is continued in Courtney's current paintings influenced by her recent move to New York. Instead of the spectacle being unknown, these works focus on the significance of a rooftop setting. A seasonal transition is like a luxury where it creates an opportunity to escape the fast-paced city streets, all from a push of a button to the top floor.

After completing her undergraduate studies in Studio Art, Courtney moved abroad and received an MFA with distinction at the Wimbledon College of Art. Some her recent works can be seen at Wallspace Gallery in Los Angeles, CA and GX Gallery in London, UK. Courtney currently resides in Brooklyn, New York.