PRESS RELEASE The Female Gaze, Part Two: Women Look at Men



Alice Neel (1900–1984) David Sokola 1973 oil on canvas 48 x 44 x 3/4 in

Cheim & Read is pleased to present, *The Female Gaze*, *Part Two: Women Look at Men*, a group exhibition of thirtytwo women artists, and their variegated portrayals of men, curated by John Cheim.

The Female Gaze, a two-part exhibition at Cheim & Read, presents works by women that directly address gender and sexuality. The first iteration was

Women Look at Women, in 2009. The shows span a variety of media, including painting, photography, and sculpture. Both explore the problem of a relatively simple question: would we react differently to these works if they were made by a man?

Paul Rosano, the subject of Sylvia Sleigh's painting, *Paul Rosano in Jacobsen Chair*, 1971, which will be on view, wrote: "She was placing me in what many would interpret as a feminine pose, or what you would expect to see in traditional or historical paintings of women, certainly not of men. This became an underlying theme in many of her works. The reversal."

The works included in *The Female Gaze* reverse stereotypical gender roles; instead of seeing the men as oppressors, men become the subject of their gaze.

Opens Thursday June 23 from 6–8 pm Exhibition continues through September 2, 2016

> **Berenice** Abbott Ellen Altfest Ghada Amer **Diane** Arbus **Gina Beavers** Lynda Benglis Huma Bhabha Louise Bourgeois Katherine Bradford **Cecily Brown** Kathe Burkhart Lois Dodd **Marlene** Dumas **Tracey Emin** Katy Grannan Grace Graupe-Pillard **EJ** Hauser Celia Hempton Jenny Holzer **Chantal Joffe** Sarah Lucas Catherine Murphy Alice Neel Catherine Opie Collier Schorr Dana Schutz Joan Semmel **Cindy Sherman** Sylvia Sleigh **Betty Tompkins** Nicole Wittenberg Lynette Yiadom-Boakye

Lynda Benglis: New Work and Louise Bourgeois: Holograms will open September 8 and be on view through October 22.