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ZEKE WILLIAMS: HEAT CHECK opens Saturday June 13th at Erin Cluley Gallery

[Dallas, Texas – May 21, 2015] **ERIN CLULEY GALLERY** is pleased to announce an exhibition with Dallas based artist **ZEKE WILLIAMS** June 13 through July 11, 2015. The exhibition will open with a reception for the artist on Saturday June 13th from 6:00-8:00 pm.

In his first career solo exhibition, Zeke Williams will exhibit a series of large scale works made with acrylic on canvas. Produced during the past year, these works are an ongoing exploration of the artist's interest in the intersections of contemporary fashion, the female form and technology.

Created through the lens of a voyeuristic gaze, Williams' paintings become a representation of the way in which we view the world through technology. Using zoomed in, cropped areas of where the clothing lays on the body, the images become abstracted while traces of sensuality and the female form are left to entice viewers.

Bright color gradients are layered with hard-edge stenciled patterns creating a dynamic visual reflection of filtered observation and form. Structures within the individual works reflect the artists interest in fashion, pattern and color translated onto the surface of a painting. The overall impact of the installation of eight-foot paintings implies notions of power and desire.

Zeke Williams was born in Concord, Massachusetts and grew up in Fort Worth, Texas. Williams received his BA from the University of Texas at Dallas. Following graduation he went on to work at the progressive and prestigious Angstrom Gallery in Dallas working with artists like Robyn O'Neil, Jack Pierson, Anthony Goicolea, Mark Flood, Erik Swenson and Jeff Elrod. Williams has contributed writing for Glasstire, an online Texas-based media outlet for arts criticism.

About Erin Cluley Gallery

Erin Cluley Gallery is a contemporary art gallery representing emerging and mid-career artists from Dallas and the United States. The gallery presents a provocative program of artists working in both traditional and alternative forms including painting, sculpture, new media, photography, sculptural installation and public intervention.

The 2000 square foot space is joining a creative movement in the West Dallas/ Trinity Groves development at the foot of the Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge in West Dallas.

In conjunction with mounting exhibitions inside the gallery space, Erin Cluley Gallery will maintain a focus on presenting public projects conceptualized by its artists. Negotiating projects on the artists' behalf, the gallery will make this an ongoing component of the exhibition program and an impactful contribution to public art intervention in Dallas.

Erin Cluley served as the Director of Exhibitions at Dallas Contemporary from 2009 - 2014 where she worked on the production of exhibitions by Zoe Crosher, Gabriel Dawe, K8 Hardy, Georg Herold, Aaron Parazette, Richard Phillips, John Pomara, Rob Pruitt, Jennifer Rubell, Julian Schnabel, Juergen Teller, Walter Van Beirendonck, Inez & Vinoodh, Erwin Wurm and others. Erin Cluley also worked with artists and their crews producing murals in Dallas by Shepard Fairey, Soner, JMR, Sourgrapes, Faile, Michael Sieben and JR.

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