

**Adrian Schiess
Painting 1980 – 2020**

Adrian Schiess, born in Zurich in 1959, is one of the fundamental painters of his generation. His participation in Documenta, the Venice Biennale, and numerous solo exhibitions has made his work internationally renowned. His painting is not to be seen as a vertical surface on the wall, but as a work area that can be placed freely in the room, which deals with the appearance and disappearance of the phenomenon of painting. The exhibition at the Kunstmuseum St. Gallen focuses on his central serial format, which consists of highly nuanced painting on horizontally arranged panels.



Adrian Schiess, Installation view, Kunstmuseum St.Gallen, Photo: Stefan Rohner

While in his early career he painted standard-sized panels by hand with a paintbrush, Schiess increasingly wiped out all traces of painterly craftsmanship and had his large-scale panels sprayed in refined colors and layers by a specialized car painter. Then subjects taken from photography appeared in screen printing on the painted panels, which vary greatly in materials and thickness. Densely covering the floor, painting will flood the museum's unique exhibition halls and shine in the building's natural light.

For the exhibition, Edition Cantz will publish a comprehensive anthology of the paintings created in connection with architectural projects. This central part of his oeuvre will thus be made visible in its entirety for the first time. The volume was created in close collaboration with Ulrich Loock and will also include a wide-ranging interview with Adrian Schiess.

Curator: Roland Wäspe

Press release**Exhibition dates**

29 August 2020 –
7 February 2021
Kunstmuseum St.Gallen

Press conference

Fr 28 August 2020
11 a.m.

Exhibition opening

Fr 28 August 2020
6.30 p.m.

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| Curator | Roland Wäspe |
| Opening hours | Tue. – Sun. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Wed. 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. |
| Admission | CHF 12 Pensioners: CHF 10 Students: CHF 6 Free admission for members of the Kunstverein St. Gallen |
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