

# STEVE TURNER

PRESS RELEASE



Luciana Lamothe: *I'm Burning Here*  
November 23 - December 21, 2019

Steve Turner is pleased to present *I'm Burning Here*, a solo exhibition by Buenos Aires-based Luciana Lamothe. Her second exhibition at the gallery, it consists of six steel sculptures, four of which are site-specific, positioned between the floor and the supporting beams along the ceiling, while two smaller, parallel works rise up from the floor. Of the latter, it is not clear if they are growing towards the ceiling or if perhaps they once spanned the entire vertical space and have since decayed. Each work is made from rigid structural metal pipes that have been assembled with the scaffolding clamps typically used at construction sites, however, atypically, Lamothe altered the structural integrity of the pipes by corroding, burning and cutting into them. In so doing, she has rendered the materials ambiguous. Whether they are structural or sculptural, supportive or dangerous, strong or weak, durable or decaying, they represent the breakdown of societal structure.

Luciana Lamothe (b. 1975, Mercedes, Argentina) studied at the National School of Fine Arts, Buenos Aires (1999); participated in the Kuitca Scholarship, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Buenos Aires (2011); and has had residencies at Air Antwerp (2013) and Skowhegan (2007). She has had solo or two-person exhibitions at MAMBA, Buenos Aires (2013); Ruth Benzacar Gallery, Buenos Aires (2018, 2014, 2011, 2008, 2006); Arroniz Gallery, Mexico City (2012); Alberta Pane, Paris (2014, 2012) and Steve Turner, Los Angeles (2016). Her works have been included in group exhibitions at Museo MAR, Buenos Aires (2015); La Maison Rouge, Paris (2015); Palais de Tokyo, Paris (2013); De Appel Art Center, Amsterdam (2011); the 11th Lyon Biennial (2011); and the 5th Berlin Biennial (2005). In 2018, her monumental work, *Starting Zone* was featured in Art Basel Cities, Buenos Aires and in 2019, she was awarded a Pollock-Krasner Foundation Grant.

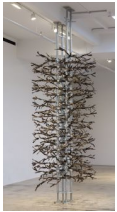
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Luciana Lamothe  
*Burning in Air*, 2019  
Iron pipes and clamps  
128 x 60 x 60 inches (325.1 x 152.4 x 152.4 cm)



Luciana Lamothe  
*Burning Up*, 2019  
Iron pipes and clamps  
132 x 60 x 60 inches (335.3 x 152.4 x 152.4 cm)



Luciana Lamothe  
*Burnt Out*, 2019  
Iron pipes and clamps  
120 x 36 x 20 inches (304.8 x 91.4 x 50.8 cm)



Luciana Lamothe  
*Burning Forever*, 2019  
Iron pipes and clamps  
81 x 19 x 16 inches (205.7 x 48.3 x 40.6 cm)



Luciana Lamothe  
*Burnt*, 2019  
Iron pipes and clamps  
42 x 28 x 28 inches (106.7 x 71.1 x 71.1 cm)



Luciana Lamothe  
*Burning Inside*, 2019  
Iron pipes and clamps  
45 x 12 x 12 inches (114.3 x 30.5 x 30.5 cm)