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Tiger Rocha: *bodyfountain* October 18 – November 16, 2024

Steve Turner is pleased to present *bodyfountain*, a solo exhibition by New York-based Tiger Rocha, featuring four large-scale abstract paintings that are emotional explorations of the artist's desires. They are composed of layers of thinned and sculptural oil paint that Rocha slashed and dripped across the canvas over a period of several months. He describes the paintings as expansive erotic environments, landscapes strewn with the energy and traces of his body, desires, and emotions. The paint, like blood or other bodily fluid, fountains in all directions conveying Rocha's sense of ecstasy.

Tiger Rocha (b. 1998, Pleasanton, California) earned a BFA at the Rhode Island School of Design (2021) before moving to New York where he now lives. He has had a solo exhibition at Steve Turner, Los Angeles (2023); two-person exhibitions alongside Drew Dodge at 1969 Gallery, New York (2023) and KIAF, Seoul (2023) and has had work included in group exhibitions at Steve Turner, Los Angeles (2022) and Untitled, Miami Beach with Steve Turner (2022).

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Tiger Rocha **bleedingtricolor**, 2024 Oil on canvas 78 x 48 inches (198.1 x 121.9 cm) t.rocha013771

Tiger Rocha **bodyfountain**, 2024 Oil on canvas 47 x 74 inches (119.4 x 188 cm) t.rocha013773



Tiger Rocha **energyplummet**, 2024 Oil on canvas 78 x 48 inches (198.1 x 121.9 cm) t.rocha013770



Tiger Rocha tearingpink, 2024 Oil on canvas 74 x 34 inches (188 x 86.4 cm) t.rocha013772