

**Space Release #2: Spatial Shift**  
**Part #2 of the three-part exhibition series Space Release**

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Stedefreund is pleased to inaugurate a new space with the exhibition series Space Release. After five years of exhibitions on Rosenthaler Straße and Dorotheenstraße, the project space has now moved into a former garage in the courtyard at Straßburger Straße 6–8 in Berlin-Mitte.

In honor of our new exhibition space, Space Release will examine space as a formative moment in art, with three group exhibitions between November 2011 and February 2012. We take as our starting point the notion that art occupies, creates and defines space and is simultaneously defined by it. These exhibitions will address our location as a project space in Berlin while at the same time reflecting on the relationship between art and space. The individual exhibitions and artistic perspectives will articulate various approaches to the subject of space, bringing architectural, institutional, social, cultural, psychological and physical aspects into play.

Space Release #2 employs strategies of shifting and overlapping to analyze the fundamental parameters of space. By taking up and recapitulating existing spatial elements, and also by interfering with them, artistic interventions question the usefulness and significance of familiar spatial factors such as walls, floors and ceilings. Things usually overlooked are brought to the fore. In their juxtapositions and superimpositions, the resulting forms and structures form a sort of interspace in which it becomes possible to move between real and pictorial space. The analysis thus centers not only on the exhibition space itself, but on the viewer's perception.

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