

MICHAEL BENNETT PRESENT TENSE

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GALLERY 9

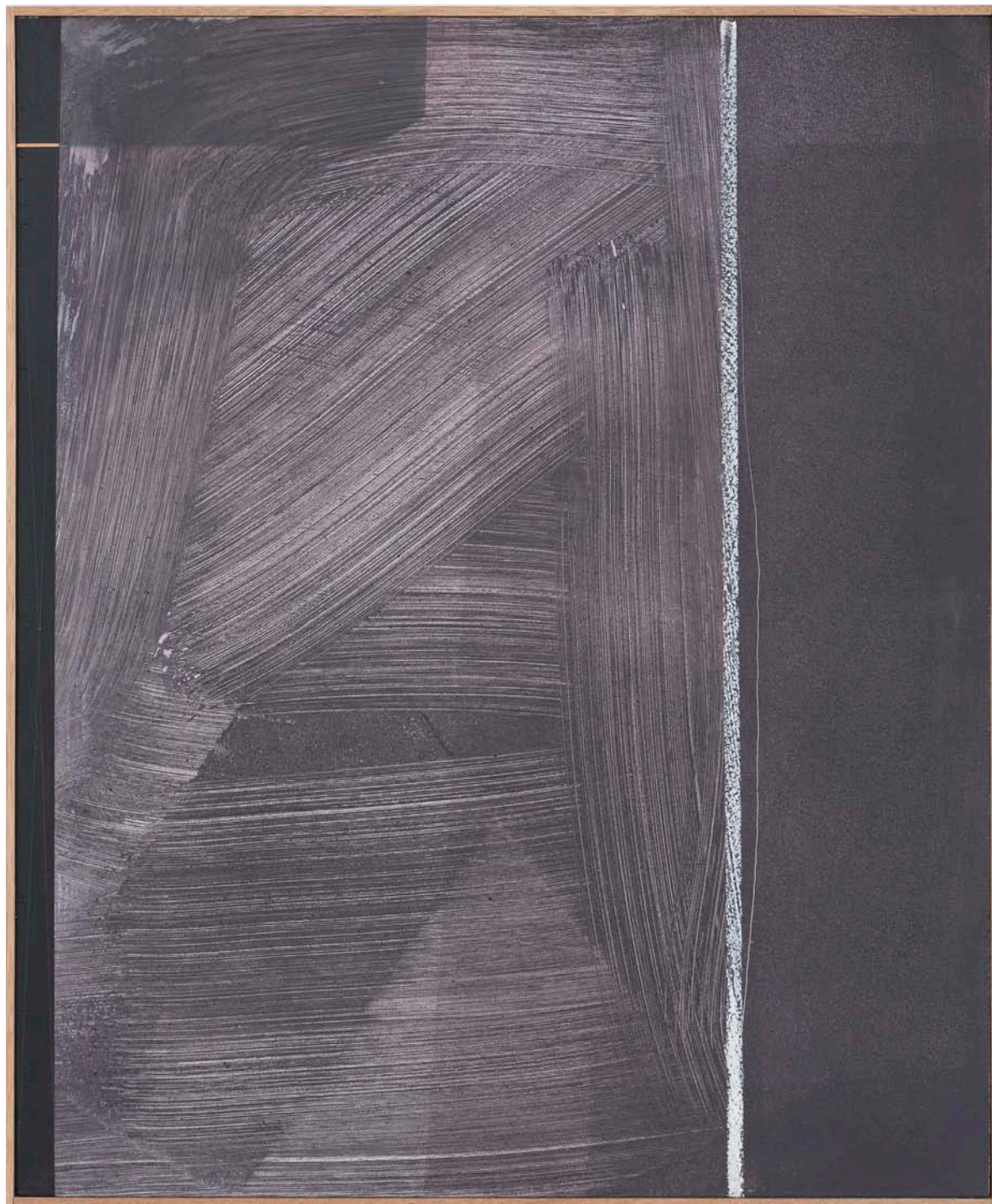
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Michael Bennett's first solo exhibition at Gallery 9 presents what he calls the 'visual evidence' of his studio-based experimentations. Taking basic forms from the world around him, Bennett geometrically reduces them through a considered response to the immediacy of the painting process. He builds elemental compositions through the addition and subtraction of information, drawing focus to subtle relationships between the texture, shape and colour of paint and the translucency and direction of its application. Although having evolved out of a complex and rigorous physical process, his paintings are always exercises in restraint, inviting contemplation and a heightened sensory awareness.

Born in 1987, Michael Bennett is a self-taught interdisciplinary artist working between painting, sculpture and installation. He divides his time between Sydney and Berlin and exhibits widely in Europe. Projects in 2016 include: *The future will be different*, Mini Galerie, Amsterdam; *Contemporary Perception*, Galleri Bernoni, Copenhagen and a residency and solo exhibition at Lapua Cultural Centre, Finland.

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Peach Fuzz 2016
mixed media on board
103 × 85 cm (framed)
\$2,500



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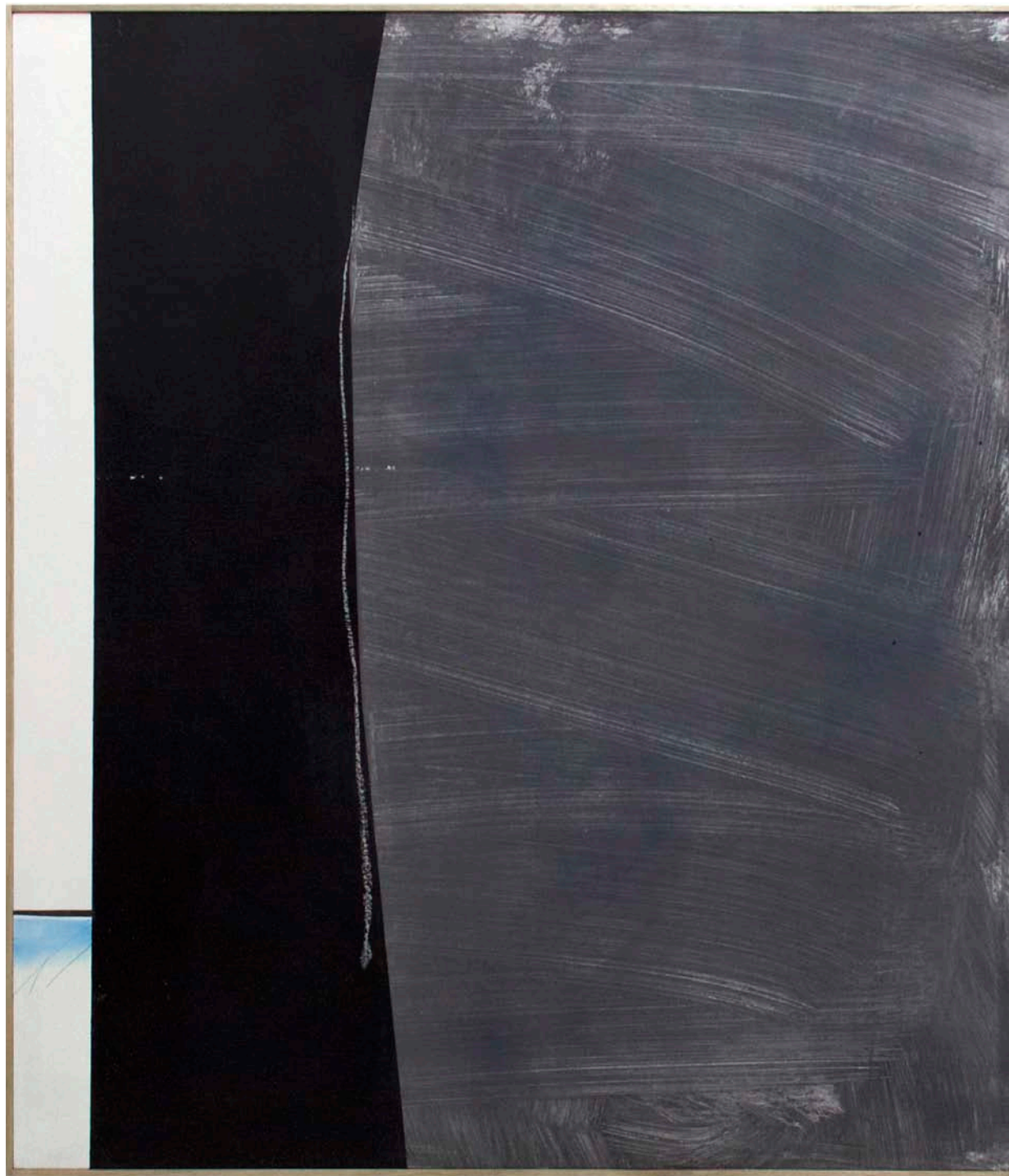
Wisdom of Stillness 2016
canvas, wool, foam, mixed media
230 × 185 cm
POA





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Push and Pull 2016
mixed media on board
138 × 124 cm (framed)
\$3,200



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Core Values 2016
foam, vinyl, granite
95 × 32 × 26 cm
POA





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Cosmic Silence 2016
mixed media on board
112 × 102 cm (framed)
\$2,800



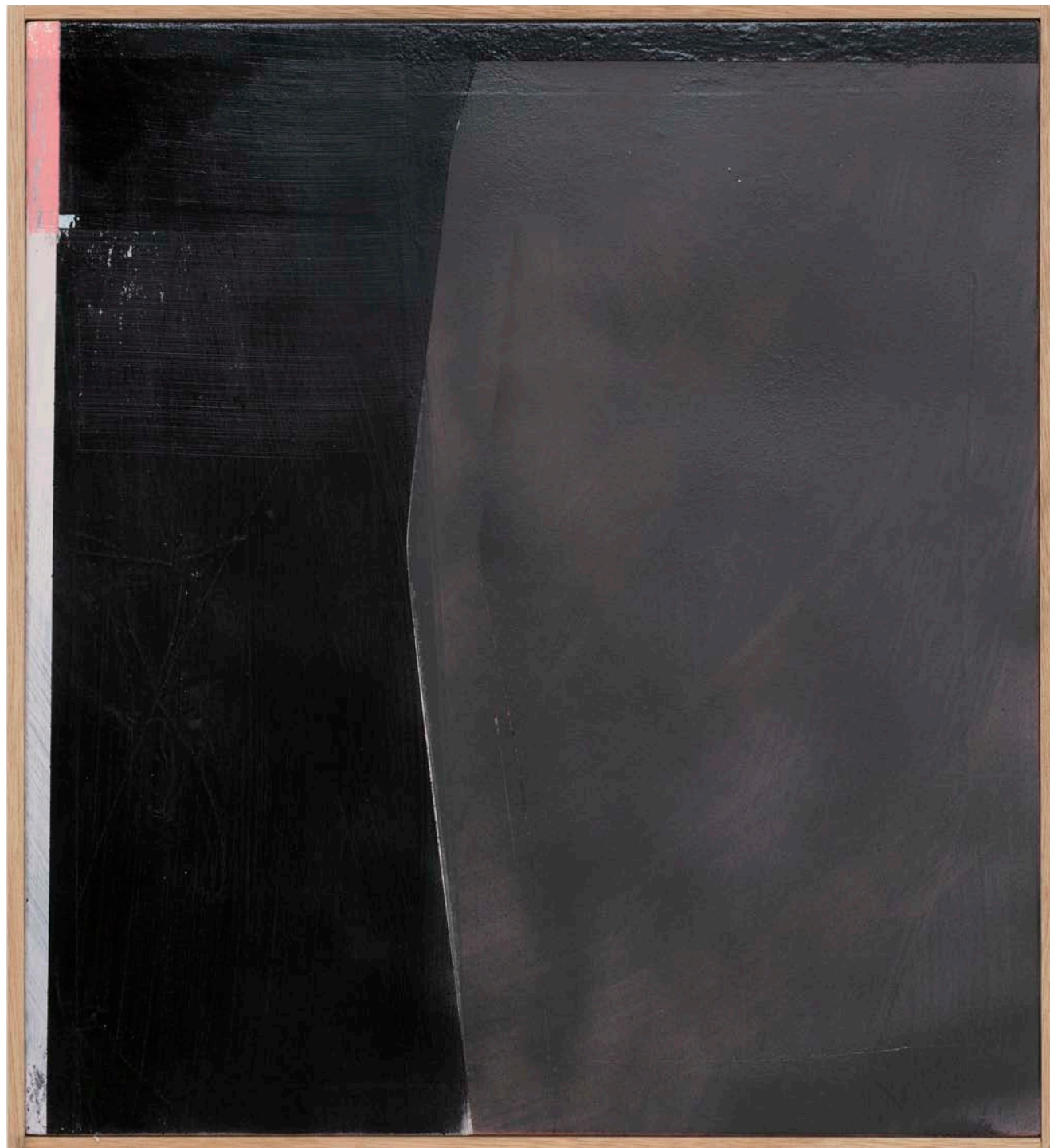
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Hazy shade of winter 2016
mixed media on board
57.5 × 52 cm (framed)
\$1,200 **SOLD**



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The lost continent 2016
mixed media on board
57.5 × 52 cm (framed)
\$1,200 **SOLD**

