GANDALF GAVÁN

Gandalf Gaván was born in 1975 in Berlin, Germany, and raised between Germany and New Mexico. He studied at the Repin Academy, St. Petersburg, Russia and the Santa Fe Art Institute, receiving a BFA at Bard College and an MFA at Columbia University, where he has been teaching for the last seven years. He is the recipient of various awards, including the Joan Mitchell MFA Grant and the Mortimer-Frank award. Gaván has lived and worked extensively in Mexico, Bolivia, Peru, Morocco and Germany, and currently resides in Brooklyn, New York. His work has been exhibited in a variety of venues, such as MoMA PS 1, New York; MACO, Oaxaca, Mexico; and the Cornell Museum of Fine Arts. He was the first non-Mexican artist to exhibit work at the National Museum of Fine Art in Mexico City.