



DIRIMART NİŞANTAŞI

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KARIN
KNEFFEL

Depicting open-ended and uncanny realities in still life paintings, Karin Kneffel will be at Dirimart's main gallery in Nişantaşı between 24 October and 23 November.

The contrasts resulting from the use of light and shadows in Kneffel's paintings offer a vivid and almost tangible texture. The artwork is full of details, noticeable at first sight, and the combination of these details creates an extraordinary landscape to be discovered by the viewer.

All the artworks that Kneffel will display at Dirimart are part of a series specially produced for this exhibition. All these artworks are inspired from a quote of Mies van der Rohe, one of the pioneer architects of the Bauhaus school: "I need a wall behind me." Kneffel drew Turkish translations of this sentence on steamy windows with her fingers: "I have to have a wall to lean on;" "I have to have a wall behind my back."

Karin Kneffel studied at Staatliche Kunstakademie Düsseldorf between 1981 and 1987 and now lives in Düsseldorf. Kneffel continues to teach at Akademie der Bildenden Künste München. Drawing her inspiration from her teacher Gerard Richter, Kneffel developed her technique, which creates a voyeuristic pleasure for the viewer. Among the last solo shows of the artist are her exhibitions at Kunsthalle Tübingen (2010) and Kunstmuseum Krefeld Haus Esters (2009). Her Dirimart exhibition will be her first exhibition in Turkey.

