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Wednesday - Saturday 11am-5pm

Erin Calla Watson (b. 1993, Los Angeles, CA)
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Erin Calla Watson's photography, sculpture and video channel a long tradition in the fields of visual art, literature, psychoanalysis, and philosophy, among others, where rooms are activated with a psycho-sexual charge, including the dark interiors of Dutch Golden Age paintings of licentious taverns; Virginia Woolf's notion of a room being essential for a woman's autonomy; and Walter Benjamin's characterization of "the phantasmagoria of the interior," the individual's universe of illusion, their protection from the outside world. Calla Watson highlights and disrupts this weaponizing of affect by appropriating private spaces—from fictional children's picture books to online manosphere platforms—pushing them through prisms of visual modification, including inserting popular cultural icons that are replete with sentiment, angst, and trauma.

Erin Calla Watson received an MFA from California Institute of the Arts in 2023. Previous solo exhibitions include *Nymph* at Ehrlich Steinberg, Los Angeles, CA (2025); *Laddy Daddy Dah* at Rinde am Rhein, Dusseldorf, DE (2024); *(Untitled) n.d.* at Foxy Production, New York, NY (2023) and *KYLE* at Larder, Los Angeles, CA (2022). Selected group exhibitions include *Display* at Ehrlich Steinberg, Los Angeles, CA; *Proof of Concept: Photography* at Briefing Room, Brussels, BE (2024); *Unto Dust* at Fitzpatrick Gallery, Paris, FR (2023); *Video Store* at Foxy Production, New York, NY (2023); *a somewhat thin line* at In Lieu, Los Angeles, CA; *At Land* at Foxy Production, New York, NY (2022) and *The Conspiracy of Art: Part II* at Chateau Shatto, Los Angeles, CA (2020). Calla Watson's work has been featured in Artforum, Carla, Cultured, Mousse, Numero, Objectiv, Section, STUDIO Magazine.



Erin Calla Watson
Supermassive Black Hole, 2025
UV print on mirrored glass
60 x 46 in. (152.5 x 117 cm)