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**BLACK SWAN: An exhibition inspired by the film curated by Dominic Sidhu**

**February 25th – April 16, 2011**

**Gallery Hours: Tuesday–Saturday, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm**

**Opening Reception: Friday, February 25th, 6:00 – 8:00 pm**

Regen Projects is pleased to announce “Black Swan” an exhibition curated by Dominic Sidhu, including works by Matthew Barney, Walead Beshty, Gardar Eide Einarsson, Katharina Fritsch, Douglas Gordon, Dan Graham, Wade Guyton, Pierre Huyghe, Sergej Jensen, Anish Kapoor, Karen Kilimnik, Rachel Kneebone, Glenn Ligon, Nick Mauss, Richard Phillips, Richard Prince, Ugo Rondinone, Wolfgang Tillmans, Banks Violette, and Christopher Wool.

Dominic Sidhu curated a series of contemporary artworks that appear within the sets of the film *Black Swan*. In the film, the artworks exist in a subliminal character state and underscore the protagonist’s transformation from woman to swan. For the exhibition, Sidhu interrogates metaphysical interpretations of the myth of Swan Lake: with the white swan seen as purity, entrapment, transition, mortality, and prologue; and the black swan as instinct, sexuality, deception, transparency, and escape. A meditation on apparition versus reality, the exhibition explores the psychological broken mirror between the white swan and the black swan through a primarily black, white, and silver palette. Inflected with themes of redemption, abjection, and alterity, the philosophical underpinnings of the exhibition explore the uncomfortable space between presumed opposites. In the spirit of the Ballet Russes, the exhibition deconstructs the conceptual implications of the fable in a contemporary exegesis.

Dominic Sidhu is an independent curator and creative director focused on media as a platform for curatorial practice. He has curated and consulted on editorial, motion, and special projects with artists Jeff Koons, Karen Kilimnik, Richard Phillips, Pierre Huyghe, Douglas Gordon, and filmmakers Gus Van Sant and Harmony Korine. He has contributed to publications including *Vogue*, *T Magazine*, *Visionaire*, *V Magazine*, and *VMAN*. Sidhu lives and works in New York and Los Angeles.

An opening reception for the exhibition will take place on Friday, February 25th, from 6:00 to 8:00pm. For further information please contact Jennifer Loh at the gallery.