BENRUBI GALLERY

DOUG HALL- IN SILENCE

Exhibition Dates: March 12 - May 9, 2020



In Silence brings together excerpts from four different bodies of **Doug Hall**'s work spanning over twenty years that explore the theme of archives through its quintessential medium—photography. The earliest work is from *The Archive Project* (1995-96), created while Hall was a fellow at the American Academy in Rome. These photographs of ancient archives in Naples and Rome reveal a humanist need to order that is being replaced and made widely available through the internet, furthering a process of democratization Hall characterizes as "devour[ing] epistemological palpability, its aura as well as its vain will to order.

Doug Hall has worked for over 40 years in a wide range of media, including performance, installation, video, and large format photography. In the 1970s he became prominent for his collaborative work with the media art collective, T. R. Uthco, which, among many other works, created the video and installation, *The Eternal Frame*, 1976 (in collaboration with Ant Farm), a reenactment of the Kennedy assassination, filmed in Dealey Plaza, Dallas. Public collections include the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art; The Museum of Modern Art, New York; The Contemporary Art Museum, Chicago; The Berlinische Galerie, Berlin; Berkeley Art Museum/Pacific Film Archive, California; Museum für Moderne Kunst, Vienna; The San Jose Museum of Art, California; and The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York. Among the grants and fellowships he has received are those from The National Endowment for the Arts, The California Arts Council, The Fulbright Foundation, The Rockefeller Foundation, and The Guggenheim Foundation. He is the co-editor (with Sally Jo Fifer) of *Illuminating Video* (1991, Aperture Books, New York). Hall is represented by Benrubi Gallery in New York City and Rena Bransten Gallery in San Francisco. He is Professor Emeritus at the San Francisco Art Institute.

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Gallery hours: Tuesday - Saturday 10-6pm