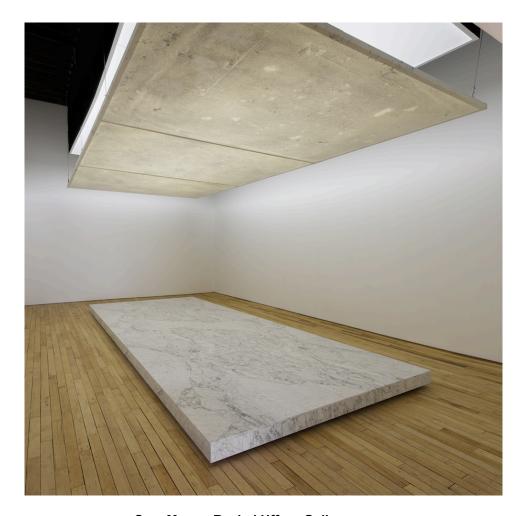
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Sam Moyer, Rachel Uffner Gallery

In May, walloped with a perfect lesson in giving in to art that we don't think we like but then getting blown away, I instantly realized that Sam Moyer's breathtaking, gallery-filling floor installation proved that I was wrong in thinking that this artist's tie-dyed and bleached-allover abstractions were just more atavistic Zombie Formalism. Instead, I beheld something more powerful than a Richard Serra — a massive slab of white-veined marble on the floor beneath an enormous painting suspended from the ceiling — like a flat, artificial cloud over something enormously heavy. A crack of synesthetic thunder sounded inside me as I felt the cold, hard marble through my shoes, grasped the lightness of the canvas by comparison, and came to terms with an artist bypassing Serra's fearsome weight and brawny power; finding essences between painting and sculpture, perception and experience, I crossed a delicate line between something I'd never seen before and something I already feared I'd never see again.

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