

HYPERALLERGIC

■ Joan Brown Herself

When: Opens Friday, March 11, 6–8pm

Where: CB1-G Guest Gallery (1923 S. Santa Fe Ave., Downtown, Los Angeles)

Joan Brown was an established figurative painter while still in her 20s, having shown at the Whitney Museum in 1960 when she was only 22. She felt limited by her connection with the Bay Area Figurative Movement however, and in 1965 she withdrew to her studio to reexamine her artistic path. Thereafter she produced a series of introspective paintings that reflect her complex identity as artist, mother, wife, mystic, and beyond. *Joan Brown Herself* presents 11 of these self-portraits painted between 1970 and 1980, many never exhibited in Los Angeles.



Joan Brown, "Woman Waiting in a Theater Lobby" (1975) (via cb1gallery.com)