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Annex

**Engel Licht (= Angel Light)
Paintings by Maria Schmidt**

Opening Reception: Friday, April 13, 2007 6– 8:30 pm

3rd Thursday Reception: April 19, 6– 8:00 pm

Maria Schmidt is an emerging artist visiting from Weissenfels in Germany. In this exhibition, Maria presents her experiences of the past year in the United States through abstract color expression.

We've all experienced a moment in time when our self-confidence is challenged by outside circumstances, forcing us into self-doubt. As a foreigner, Maria has experienced a year filled with such challenges. Each work is a portrayal of emotion translated into texture, form, shape, and color.

She consciously avoids dark tones, opting for more vibrant hues, thus abandoning any hint of the former shades of self-doubt.

