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## Gering & Lopez Gallery Present Leo Villareal: Volume

Neighborhood: Midtown Medium: LED lights

Date(s): May 4 - June 25, 2011

The Gering & Lopez Gallery was founded in 2006 when Sandra Gering and Javier Lopez joined forces. They are now located in the historic Crown Building, designed by architects Warren & Wetmore in 1921. The inaugural exhibition displayed works of Leo Villareal, who has been asked back for his fourth solo exhibition with the gallery.

Leo Villareal is a New York-based artist who received his BA in sculpture from Yale University and his MPS from New York University's Tisch School of Arts. It is evident from his portfolio that Villareal enjoys working with the newest developments in technology and doesn't get left behind.

In this exhibition, Villareal has installed one immersive work that contains "Over 20,000 white LED nodes are suspended in a three-dimensional matrix of mirror-finished stainless steel." The light sequence is controlled by a software code that Villareal developed. The nodes cycle through what appears to be an infinite series of patterns. The image below is a snapshot from the press release for this exhibition, but does NOT do the display justice. You must click on this link to view a video which offers you a more enlightening experience. (Click on the image entitled "Cylinder" and give it 3-5 seconds to start up)

Although the opening reception has already passed, you can see this dazzling display. Gering & Lopez Gallery is located at 730 Fifth Avenue and will be showing Leo Villareal: *Volume* until June 25, 2011.



Leo Villareal: Volume - Gering & Lopez Gallery