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Watercolor Wallpaper Site-specific Realization, 2014

Gellert Hof | Bethesda Alterszentren Gellertstrasse 138, 4052 Basel

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14 individual Watercolor Walls

Dimensions: 2.60m x 5.20m, 2.60m x 10m

3 Floors

Project duration: 2012-2014

Architects: Kägi+Schnabel, Basel

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2rd Floor

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The individual Watercolor Wallpapers give each floor its own character through distinctive color and composition.

Aquarell-Tapeten

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The idea for this project

Comes from small watercolors which were done while travelling. Approaching the presence of nature by doing watercolors is a similar experience to getting immersed in paint, as if one could bring the horizon closer with water and the brush movements.

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On all floors:

Framed original watercolors
each 21x16cm
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When doing watercolors, color, water and movements find and form each other—similar to a natural spectacle out of which they emerge. The small watercolors anticipate a boundless dimension.







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Enlarged on the walls, the gesture of the brush and the fine pigmentation of the watercolor assume again the character of an environment.