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What can we call the form of painting today? Can it be isolated from the status of painting, or the neuroses of painting? The symbol 'painting' has become so gravid that it is able to inhabit other materialities such that they are foremostly read as painting. As a painter today, one can consider the material, economic, social and theoretical complexities of painting as devices for producing meaning, in contradistinction to the post-modern strategy of seeking an ironic distance from painting as a problematic form, in the process, positing it as something contained and static." p 56,57

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