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Hybrids

The Remba Gallery is pleased to announce an exhibit of paintings from Paul Paiement. The exhibition will take place at 462 N. Robertson Blvd., West Hollywood from September 16th to October 21st. An opening reception will be held Thursday, September 16th from 6 to 9 p.m. in conjunction with the West Hollywood Galleries.

Paul Paiement's *Hybrids* are a series of watercolor and egg tempera paintings based on psychological theories of visual perception. These paintings appear to be entomological studies. However, upon closer inspection, the viewer realizes that the insect is really two or more everyday objects fused together into an insect-like shape.

The artist only selected insects because of the symmetry and shapes of their bodies and the fact that insect specimens are often displayed in museums the same way art is displayed in galleries. The synthetic objects were chosen based on their similarity in shape to the insect quadrants.

The overlaid targets and patterns are employed for their rotational symmetry. They provide the viewers with a guide, allowing them to mark one side while viewing another. The paintings are rendered in a detailed, almost photographic manner so that the depicted objects are easily recognizable.

Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and by appointment.