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Leila Heller expands in midtown

The Leila Heller Gallery has expanded with the opening of an 18,000 sq. ft space in midtown Manhattan. The sixfloor gallery at West 57th Street and 6th Avenue includes a 60-seat auditorium as well as a project space where invited curators and artists will stage exhibitions. Thomas Arnold, formerly a director at Mary Boone Gallery, is running the new space, which will mainly focus on Modern and classic contemporary art. Meanwhile, the Leila Heller gallery on 25th Street in Chelsea will show work by emerging and mid-career artists. Both spaces were given over to a survey show of portraiture, "Look at Me: Portraiture from Manet to the Present" (until 14 August in Chelsea; until 29 August in midtown), organised by the collector Beth Rudin DeWoody and Paul Morris, a founding director of the Armory Show who is now acting as a "curatorial consultant" to the gallery, according to press materials, C.B.