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A Natural Measure of Time

What

New drawings by Howard Oransky

When

July 10 – August 16, 2014 Gallery hours: Thursday – Saturday 12:00 – 6:00 pm and by appointment Free and open to the public

Public Reception

Friday, July 18, 2014, 6:00 – 8:00 pm Free and open to the public

Where

Form+Content Gallery Whitney Square Building 210 North 2nd Street, Suite 104 Minneapolis, MN 55401 Metered street parking

Information

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Description

Form+Content Gallery presents **A Natural Measure of Time**, an exhibition of new drawings by Howard Oransky. The drawings are based in equal measure on structure and improvisation. The structure consists of a uniform size sheet of paper measuring 22 x 30 inches, a 4-inch brush, one oil color, and the time it takes to create an image with a single movement of the hand, without editing the image or lifting the brush off the paper. The improvisation consists of a spontaneous unplanned composition, a result of the variations in pressure, speed and direction of the hand, the brush and the paint. When the process works, the image appears to exist as a pictorial fact of its own making. When the process doesn't work, the drawing is discarded.

Artist Biography

Howard Oransky was born in Los Angeles and completed his MFA degree in painting at California Institute of the Arts. His work has been shown in 100 exhibitions nation-wide

and is included in the pemanent collections of Carleton College, the Minnesota Historical Society, the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Walker Art Center and the Weisman Art Museum. He received grants from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, the Pollock-Krasner Foundation, and the Jerome Foundation Travel/Study Program. Reviews and articles on his work have appeared in numerous books and publications, including the <u>New York Times</u> and the <u>New Art Examiner</u>. His studio is at the Traffic Zone Center for Visual Art in Minneapolis.

Press Images

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01-Oransky Howard Oransky *Drawing 1*, 2014 Oil on paper, 22 x 30 in.

02-Oransky Howard Oransky *Drawing 2*, 2014 Oil on paper, 22 x 30 in.

03-Oransky Howard Oransky *Drawing* 3, 2014 Oil on paper, 22 x 30 in.

04-Oransky Howard Oransky *Drawing 4*, 2014 Oil on paper, 22 x 30 in.

05-Oransky Howard Oransky *Drawing 5*, 2014 Oil on paper, 22 x 30 in.

06-Oransky Howard Oransky *Drawing 6*, 2014 Oil on paper, 22 x 30 in.

07-Oransky Howard Oransky *Drawing 7*, 2014 Oil on paper, 22 x 30 in.

08-Oransky Howard Oransky *Drawing 8*, 2014 Oil on paper, 22 x 30 in.

Mission Statement

Form+Content Gallery nurtures diverse artistic practice and thoughtful dialogue. We value art as a catalyst for critical thinking. We value integrity and the artistic process. We aspire to link personal expression to broader social contexts. Form+Content Gallery is dedicated to moving the definitions and practice of culture forward in new and lively ways.