

# STEVEN ZEVITAS GALLERY

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## CHRIS BALLANTYNE: RECENT WORK AT STEVEN ZEVITAS GALLERY

Boston, MA - Steven Zevitas Gallery is pleased to announce a show of recent works on paper, paintings and installation by New York-based artist, Chris Ballantyne. *Recent Work* will be on view from Thursday, March 5 through Saturday, April 11, 2009.

The man-made and natural collide in Ballantyne's highly provocative and intensely nuanced body of work. Drawing from an ever-growing lexicon of motifs—some of which were unearthed while he was still an MFA candidate in San Francisco—Ballantyne creates images that simultaneously question and embrace the collision of man and nature. Rendered in a style that draws from architectural drawing, his work can be deceptively simple; only upon close inspection do the myriad details and decisions that unite a given image reveal themselves.

As part of the exhibition, Ballantyne has produced a wall mural within the gallery. The work provides an armature for the exhibition and also houses one of the show's critical paintings. It also provides a dramatic demonstration of the way in which Ballantyne seamlessly combines his subjects, and, by extension, abstraction and representation.

Ballantyne earned his MFA at the San Francisco Art Institute in 2002 and has resided in Brooklyn since 2007. Recent solo exhibitions include shows at Peres Projects in Los Angeles and at Hosfelt Gallery in New York City. Ballantyne's work is currently included in the traveling group exhibition "Worlds Away," which is currently on view at the Yale School of Architecture. His work is included in the collections of The Whitney Museum of American Art, the Museum of Modern Art and the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, among others. This is his first one-man exhibition at Steven Zevitas Gallery.

*Recent Work* will be open Thursday, March 5 and continue through April 11. The artist will be present at an opening reception on Friday, March 6th from 5:30-7:30 PM. For additional information, please contact Steven Zevitas at 617.778.5265 (ext. 22).