

Greg Drasler
Road Trip

June 15 – August 5, 2016

Opening Reception: Wednesday, June 15th, 6-8 PM



Stratocaster Suite, 2014, Oil on linen, 70 x 400 in.

From the joining of shadowy constructed atmospheres of big sky vistas to the crazy quilt inspired grounding of vernacular architecture, cloud computing mixes it up with carousing of local color. I have stepped out of fluid interior places into the determined synthetic landscape produced by the car.

~ Greg Drasler 2014

Betty Cunningham Gallery is pleased to open *Road Trip*, an exhibition of new paintings by Greg Drasler. This will be the artist's fourth exhibition with the Gallery, located at 15 Rivington Street, New York, NY. The artist will be present for an opening reception on Wednesday, June 15th from 6-8 PM.

Included in the exhibition is *Stratocaster Suite*, a six panel painting, stretching 70 x 400 inches. This major work echoes the vastness of the American landscape, punctuated by familiar landmarks. Also included are nine paintings, collectively named "Piling up the Miles". Each measures approximately 11 x 90 inches. These long horizontal works trace Drasler's lengthy drive across the Midwest, with its boundless vista dotted by places where one stops for necessities— service station, motel, drive-in cinema, diner or bank.

Born in Waukegan, IL, Greg Drasler received a BFA and MFA from the University of Illinois at Champaign/Urbana. He has exhibited regularly in the US since the mid 80's. Widely collected privately, Drasler's work can be seen in the collections of Dow Jones, Inc., New York; Krannert Art Museum, Champaign, IL; University of Illinois, Champaign/Urbana, IL; New Museum of Contemporary Art, New York; The Fisher Landau Center for Art, Long Island City, New York.

Drasler has been the recipient of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship (2015), National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship (1993) and the New York Foundation for the Arts Fellowship (1991). He is currently a Professor at Pratt Institute and previously taught at Princeton University.

Illustrated catalogue available.

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Gallery Hours: June: Tues – Sat, 10am – 6pm; July and August: Tues- Fri, 10am – 6pm

Next Exhibition: Beverly McIver, September 7- October 15, 2016 and Philip Pearlstein, *A War and Two Paintings*, September 10- October 15, 2016