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Gitler & _____

Presents Jason Covert: *The Forest Through The Trees*

May 16 – June 14, 2015

Opening reception: Saturday, May 16, 6-9 PM

(May 5, 2015) Gitler & _____ is proud to present *The Forest Through The Trees* from multi-media artist [Jason Covert](#), which will run from May 16 to June 14, 2015. This exhibition, Covert's first solo venture with Gitler, comprises a dozen graphite drawings on paper in which the artist depicts nature's fragility and its deep rootedness at once, brought to life in painstaking detail. The opening reception will be held on Saturday evening, May 6.



Bark, 2015 (detail); graphite on paper, 8.5 x 8.5 in.

Covert's hundreds of thousands of minute lines compose the veins, stems, roots and leaves that we often don't bother to see. In those details we may lose sight of the big picture, and adversely any attempt to perceive that picture will lead all those finer points to blur. Within this struggle we are either obliged to gaze from afar at nature's ghostly silhouette or hyper focus to the point of intrusion. This push and pull creates for the viewer a profound sense of loss in real time; when there is so much beauty to perceive within the smallest of things and we have only our eyes, disorientation is a given.

Great forces are at work within Covert's drawings, and yet, by devoiding these scenes of any atmospheric perspective or context, the artist has composed a body of work as haunting as it is understated. *The Forest Through The Trees* shows us something whole and crafted in a singular purity. Covert carefully preserves each element within the plane, much as nature is preserved when humankind withdraws, yet no visual trickery is at play here; we all just have to work a little harder to appreciate what's around us.

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