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BEN REEVES: LOST OWLS

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Equinox Gallery is very pleased to present *Lost Owls*, an exhibition of new paintings by Ben Reeves. The exhibition opens on Saturday November 1st and runs until December 3rd, 2014.

Over the past decade, Ben Reeves has received enormous attention for his inventive approach to representation in painting. Attentive to the evocative potential of paint and pigment, the compositions created by Reeves deftly explore the relationship between painterly space and the experience of the physical world.

Influenced by the writings of French phenomenological philosopher Maurice Merleau-Ponty, Reeves sees the act of painting as "...the emblem of a way of inhabiting the world, of handling it, and of interpreting it...the emblem of a certain relationship to being..." in short, as a tool through which perception and experience can be both represented and created. And it is from within the artist's daily experiences that these pictures emerge. A quotidian feeling, thought, or moment is the foundation for the imagery in these works, everyday experiences that are both intimate and vast. However these everyday, seemingly inconsequential moments are rather incredibly important in that they add up to make a life, and in this way, the images in the exhibition bring the viewer to the consideration and embodiment of what it is to be an individual in the world.

Ben Reeves studied Fine Arts at the University of British Columbia and received his Masters in Fine Arts from Chelsea College of Art and Design, London. He currently lives in Vancouver where he teaches at Emily Carr University of Art + Design. Reeves' work has been featured in solo exhibitions at Jessica Bradley Gallery, Museum London, and the Oakville Art Gallery. His work has also been featured in numerous group exhibitions, such as *The Painting Project*, Galerie de l'UQAM (Montreal); *Take Your Time*, SFU Gallery (Burnaby); *Carte Blanche*, MoCCA (Toronto); *Shifting Space*, Museum of Sichuan Fine Arts Institute (China); and *High Points*, Musée des Beaux Arts (Montreal). Reeves' works are in the collections of the Art Gallery of Ontario, Canada Council Art Bank, Montreal Museum of Fine Arts and Museum London as well as in several private collections.