

I N M A N G A L L E R Y



installation view, Gilad Efrat, Negev, Inman Gallery, Houston, Texas

Inman Gallery is pleased to announce that artist **Gilad Efrat** has been awarded the **Israeli Minister of Culture Prize in the Plastic Arts for 2012**. In announcing the prize, the jury wrote the following:

Gilad Efrat's work raises questions pertinent to the contemporary art discourse, concerning the language of painting and the representations of landscape as a geopolitical space of identity and consciousness.

The unique painting method developed by Efrat comes out of the photographic image, and is based on the covering of the canvas with monochromatic layers, from light to dark, while revealing the image by subtraction and erasure by rag. In this way he creates a dialectic language that examines the relations between photography and painting, surface and depth, concealment and exposure, deconstruction and reconstruction.

As a recipient of the prize, Gilad will be awarded a monetary prize and an exhibition with other awardees at the Ashdod Museum of Art, Israel, in May 2013.

We are pleased to be hosting Efrat's solo exhibition **Negev**, which will be on view at the gallery through January 5th, 2013. The exhibition has been reviewed in the current issue of **A+C**, and in the **Houston Press** by Kelly Klaasmeyer.