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GEORGE BILLIS GALLERY

DEREK BUCKNER

OCTOBER 4 - OCTOBER 29, 2016

Derek Buckner will exhibit his newest paintings at **George Billis Gallery, 525 West 26th Street**, between 10th and 11th Avenues, from **October 4 – October 29, 2016**. An artist's reception will be held at the gallery on **Thursday, October 6th from 6 – 8 p.m.** Gallery hours are **Tuesday through Saturday, 10 – 6pm.**

Throughout his career as a painter, **Derek Buckner** has explored many different themes in his work but has always found himself returning to the Brooklyn urban landscape. Born and raised in Brooklyn, the artist has drawn and painted the Gowanus Canal and its surrounding areas for the past twenty five years, and as the area has developed and changed, so has his work. Buckner's most recent series of oil paintings continue to focus on the industrial areas of the Gowanus. He is interested in the industrial landscape as a subject, exploring the relationship between destruction and growth; beauty and grit; strength and impermanence.



Snow, Sunlight, and Steam, oil on linen, 60 x 72"



Abandoned Factory, oil on linen, 24 x 36"

Derek Buckner grew up in Brooklyn, New York. He has degrees from Vassar College and The School of the Art Institute of Chicago and has exhibited both locally and internationally in New York, Los Angeles, Santa Fe, Chicago, Italy, Mexico, and South Korea. His work is in numerous private and corporate collections in this country and abroad, and has been reviewed in (among other places) *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times*, and *The New York Sun*.

The George Billis Gallery marks its twentieth year in the Chelsea Art District and its sister gallery is located in the burgeoning gallery district of Culver City in Los Angeles. For more information, please contact the gallery via email at gallery@georgebillis.com or visit our website at www.georgebillis.com

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