

Brian Longe

The Source

January 13 – February 11, 2017

Opening Reception: Friday January 13, 6-8PM Artist Talk: Friday January 27, 7-30-8:30PM

Press Release:

The Luggage Store Gallery is excited and proud to present a solo exhibition of mural-size landscape abstractions by painter Brian Longe. Longe had a notable exhibition history in Los Angeles and San Francisco in the earlier stage of his career, but then took a twenty-year hiatus from exhibiting while he lived in the Sierras, intensely studying the mountain topography and raising a family. *The Source* features the culmination of his research.

Longe describes the paintings as “meta-scapes that begin as spontaneous drawings on raw canvas. They employ stream of consciousness (automatism) and biomorphic and geomorphic map- ping to produce a vertiginous, mountainous abstraction— with both aerial and frontal views. The drawings are painted first in black and white, and then color with no revision. This immediacy transcribes the surrealist ethos of depiction filtered through an eye for iconog- raphy, making them, at first glance, seem transported from mid twentieth century, where their true energy emerged.”

A limited edition catalogue of Longe’s work, designed by Landscape Studio, will accompany the exhibition and will be for sale at the show.

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Gallery Hours: Wed-Sat 12-5 pm and by appointment

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