

ROBERT EGERT

BONSAI GARDEN

April 7 - April 29, 2017

Holland Tunnel is pleased to announce an exhibition of new paintings Robert Egert

Opening: Friday, April 7th 6-9PM. Exhibition continues through Sunday, April 29

Gallery Hours: Saturdays and Sundays 1-5PM

Holland Tunnel Gallery

61 and 59 South 3rd Street
Between Berry St. and Wythe Ave.
Williamsburg, Brooklyn

Bonsai Garden features intimate paintings begun between 2011 and 2013 and completed in 2016 – 2017. Each piece represents part of my ongoing interest in biological processes found in nature and in our bodies.

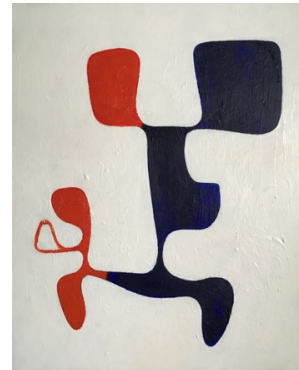
Bonsai Garden takes its title from the small scale and concentrated nature of these paintings. And, like bonsai, these paintings take years to mature. It's also appropriate that Holland Tunnel Gallery is in a real garden in Williamsburg, Brooklyn.

The painting, *Repro* was inspired by parthenogenesis (a form of reproduction that doesn't require fertilization). *Repro* illustrates the biological process while also occupying an intermediate space where cultural and visual associations with the forms play a critical role. *Hatch* alludes to both the egg, but also the protective instinct of the mother combined with inherent threat.

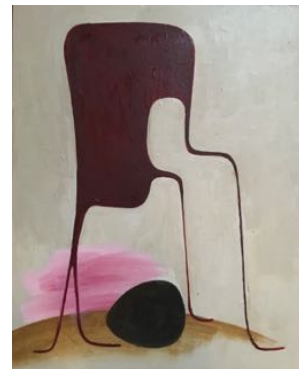
The miniature scale of these works influences both their production and consumption. The scale reduces the role of gesture and results in images that are more decisively delineated, contemplative in nature, and formally idealized. From the viewer's perspective, the miniature scale demands proximity and elevates details of surface, edges and other formal qualities of finish.

Robert Egert was born in 1958 in Brooklyn, NY. He studied at Pratt Institute and The City University Graduate Center in New York. Solo exhibitions include the Ethan Pettit (2015), Valentine Gallery, Brooklyn (2013), Rockland Center for the Arts (2011); White Columns (1985); his work has also been exhibited at SRO Gallery (2016), Issyra Galery, Hoboken (2015), Full House, St. Paul (2015), Schema Gallery, Brooklyn (2013), among others.

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Repro, 2015-16 11" x 17"



Hatch, 2016-17 18" x 24"

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