

EVERYTHING & NOTHING
Benedict Redgrove

15 – 28 April 2016

Private view: 14 April 2016

To describe Benedict Redgrove's pictures as cloudscapes is both to offer an accurate characterisation and to make an obscene understatement. Somewhere beneath is the minuscule Earth and somewhere above is the unfathomable cosmos, but the image only shows the infernal mist of the clouds, tranquil and yet lonely. But they are also mere abstractions, lilting, billowing and perfectly still in a space that is neither earth nor sky, beyond man and time. The pictures' immaculate sense of detail possesses the charm of painterly precision, achieved through the serendipity of a fleeting moment that echoes a long lost thought or feeling. Redgrove's mastery of the camera and sensitivity to the translucent relationship between the image and the world, gives these pictures an all-consuming atmosphere of searching contemplation. It is as if a photograph can never capture the world as acutely as it reflects the inner life of the photographer, which is the ultimate source of the profound calm of this vast everything and nothing. Dr Daniel Barnes, critic/curator

Captured at high altitude, on hundreds of journeys over the course of five years, *Everything & Nothing* is both a portrait of the artist and an exploration of landscape. Bringing together a personal journey and a sense of place, Redgrove's photographs suggest a formal minimalism which thinly veils an abstract expressionist backdrop. A chance for reflection, or escape.

Everything & Nothing charts Redgrove's creative development through subtle variations in tone and atmosphere. He invites the viewer to be immersed in the moment, free from instruction or prescription, an enticement to dream, ponder. Or to just be. Celebrating nothing.

Display Gallery is proud to present *Everything & Nothing*, a series of expressionist cloudscapes, shot on various formats by photographer Benedict Redgrove. Presented as large format giclee prints, the exhibition will run from 15th – 28th April 2016 and is Redgrove's first solo exhibition in the UK.

About the Artist:

Benedict Redgrove was born in 1969 near Reading, and lives in London. He has participated in group shows in the UK and Europe, while establishing an award winning commercial career over the past 20 years.

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