

# JOHN BERGGRUEN GALLERY

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**LINDA RIDGWAY**

*Between*

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**John Berggruen Gallery** is pleased to present an exhibition of new sculpture and photographs by Dallas-based artist, Linda Ridgway. The reception for the artist will be held on Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> from 5:30-7:30pm.

Ridgway's poetic bronze wall reliefs convey both elegance and beauty. Although educated as a printmaker, Ridgway continues to experiment with the limits of various media to create work that remains intimate regardless of scale. Ridgway's bronzes, inspired by organic and cultural imagery, emerge from a two-dimensional surface to become new sculptural objects in space. Her work often translates traditional feminine crafts and materials, such as knitting and lace, into prominent sculptures.

As a sculptor, Ridgway has a keen interest in other artists who share similar concerns in materials and content. Eva Hesse was one such artist and whose work influenced Ridgway's artistic development. Ridgway found that Hesse treated materials in flux and gave them solidity. In addition, Ridgway discovered the poignant expressive potential in lines draped across large blank expanses. In Ridgway's own work, her linear, often repetitive forms become strands of thought.

Linda Ridgway (b.1947, Jeffersonville, IN) received an M.F.A. from Tulane University, and a B.F.A. from the Louisville School of Art. She has participated in various solo and group exhibitions including *Linda Ridgway: A Survey, Poetics of Form* at the Glassell School of Art at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas and the Dallas Museum of Art, Texas in 1997-98; and *One Hundred Years: The Permanent Collection of the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth* at the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Texas in 2002.

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**Gallery hours: Monday - Friday: 9:30-5:30**

**Saturday: 10:30-5:00**