



ELLEN CAMPBELL LATEST IN FOREVER

JULY 25 - AUGUST 17, 2014

OPENING RECEPTION: FRIDAY, JULY 25 7-10 PM

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CHICAGO, IL -- Firecat Projects is pleased to announce the opening of *Latest in Forever*, an exhibition of recent paintings by Ellen Campbell. The exhibition will open on Friday, July 25 with an opening reception beginning from 7-10 P.M. The work will be on display until August 17.

The exhibition will be comprised of 12 paintings, including oils, acrylics, and watercolor.

Campbell's work engages the question of "what is forever?" given our society's attitude, destruction, and indifference towards nature. It highlights the peculiarity of our longing for nature, and the irony of one of the ways we welcome it within society - on disposable products. "It fascinates me that we are surrounded by images derived from the natural world and yet, we appear to be so distanced from that world." Such images can be found on our paper towels, car air fresheners, and bath mats. Campbell hopes to highlight this characteristic of modern society by using repeated images of botanicals, color, and space. "I hope to position the images into a fantastical state of nature and mirror the tension between the transience of modern life and the endurance of the natural world."



Big Red T, oil on canvas, 65 x 48"

Campbell completed her BFA at the Rhode Island School of Design, and earned her MFA at the University of Chicago. She has taught at the School of the Art Institute in Chicago and at the Illinois Institute of Art. She has received numerous residencies and grants, and has been reviewed in multiple publications, such as the Chicago Reader and the Chicago Sun Times.

Firecat Projects is located at 2124 N. Damen, Chicago, IL. Admission is free and open to the public. There will be an option to purchase wine or beer, provided by 3 Floyds Brewing and Red & White Wines Chicago. For more information, call (773) 342-5381, visit our website at FirecatProjects.org, or email us at FirecatProjects@gmail.com.

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