

# BRIDGETTE **MAYER** GALLERY

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**Bridgette Mayer Gallery announces its eighth exhibition of 2012:**

**A solo show by artist Eileen Neff**

**Eileen Neff: Three or Four Clouds will be on view from October 3 -27, 2012,  
with an opening reception Friday October 5, 6:00 – 8:30 pm**

The Bridgette Mayer Gallery is pleased to announce its first solo exhibition of work by artist Eileen Neff. Three or Four Clouds will be on view from October 3–27, 2012 with an opening reception Friday October 5th from 6–8:30pm. The exhibition will feature Neff's new photographs. There will be a catalogue available for the exhibition featuring an essay by Helen Westgeest.

Three or Four Clouds marks Eileen Neff's inaugural exhibition with the Bridgette Mayer Gallery. As an expression of her interest in both the landscape and interiors as sites for her deeper investigations of presence and perception, Eileen Neff's Three or Four Clouds brings focus to the conflating of her experiences in the studio with those conditions at work in the gallery. Her fascination with installation concerns also informs and refines her photographic decisions within this new body of images. With these works, the studio has become a vantage point, as well as the place of heightened attention Neff so values. She lives and works on the 29th floor of a Philadelphia apartment building in a space as carefully composed as her work itself. Neff has, for this occasion, used this aerie-like perspective as the primary source of what is her most diaristic work to date. From her studio she sees clouds pass, birds visit, and she reflects upon the play and beauty of natural light. Neff's work captures, in alternate turns, the poetic and the sublime. The artist uses the strategies of her photographic practice to transform her daily pleasures into the work for this exhibition.

Eileen Neff received her BA in English Literature from Temple University, BFA in Painting from Philadelphia College of Art and her MFA in Painting from Tyler School of Art. Recent solo shows include Locks Gallery in Philadelphia, The Royal Hibernian Academy, Dublin Ireland, The Institute of Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, among others. Neff lives and works in Philadelphia. Her work is held in many important institutions and private collections including the Philadelphia Museum of Art, Pew Charitable Trusts, The Fabric Workshop and Museum and The Dietrich Foundation among many others.

Gallery hours are Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 am- 6:00 pm & by appointment. For additional information please contact Bridgette Mayer at (p) 215-413-8893 (f) 215-413-2283

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