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STICKS & STONES FEB 19 - MAR 1, 2016

Opening Reception: Friday, Feb 19, 6 – 9pm



Damien Hoar de Galvan wood, paint, colored pencil, ink, glue 8 x 10 x 3 inches

Brilliant Champions Gallery is pleased to present "Sticks & Stones", a two-person exhibition featuring sculpture by Damien Hoar de Galvan and paintings by Nick Jaskey. The exhibition highlights the materials in which the artists work and their function as a means to explore the medium.

## About the Artists:

After studying behavioral science as an undergraduate, **Damien Hoar de Galvan** completed the post-baccalaureate program at the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston in 2008. For the last 6 years, he has been making intricate sculpture out of wood that builds on both the emotional and behavioral study of his material.

The works, standing tall and thin are made of small bits of wood: some painted, some found, recycled or reused. The bright layered colors and textures of wood are compressed together creating playful forms. Conflicting moments within the work where structural obstacles that the artist encounters in the stratum of wood become the highlighted beauty spots. The process is displayed prominently in the smallish wooden sculptures. The face of the object is refined and full of feelings, while the back is bound and supportive.

**Nick Jaskey** is a self taught painter hailing from Detroit, whose paintings are made with muted, monochromatic hues of house paint on wood panels. His work is motivated by a decade of writing graffiti and photography.

Inspired by the subtleties of his environment, Jaskey references color, composition and textures depicted in his photography and translates them into his paintings. He uses unwanted colors and mistints that might typically clash with each other, exaggerating the system of patterns and jagged, rock-like forms in his paintings. The patterns transform into a chaotic background, where the organic forms pepper the foreground and create an abstraction of geometric, hard edges.

"Sticks & Stones" is open February 19th through March 1st 2016, Tuesday – Saturday from 11 am – 5 pm and by appointment or chance. Please join us for the opening reception on Friday, February 19th, 2016 from 6-9pm at Brilliant Champions located at 5 Central Ave in Brooklyn, NY.

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