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After Landscape Manual., 1969/2003  
Image courtesy of the artist.

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**JEFF WALL**

January 16 - February 13, 2016

### **Opening Reception:**

Saturday, January 16, 6-8 pm

Patrick Painter, Inc. is pleased to present an exhibition of photographs by Jeff Wall. This exhibition will feature a selection of smaller works by the iconic artist.

Born in Vancouver, Wall is well known for his large-scale back-lit cibachrome photographs. His images often employ his home city's blend of natural beauty, urban decay, and the industrial mundane as backdrops for his stylized tableaux. Combined with compositions that reference art historical greats such as Hokusai and Eugène Delacroix, much of Wall's work has garnered attention for its unapologetic dismissal of the legend of the photographer as a capturer of moments.

In this exhibition, we get a glimpse into another, less well-known facet of Wall's oeuvre. Here we see smaller scale works that are unique in size and subject matter. In works such as "After Landscape Manual," (1969/2003), we see a view from a car, showing the dashboard and the steering wheel. In the distance, we glimpse the surrounding landscape; a landscape that reminds us of a hundred nondescript landscapes we've passed while driving on a highway. Here instead of showcasing elaborate characters and objects, Wall concentrates on quieter moments (a tree, a shop window, or a fire extinguisher) which leave more questions than answers.

Wall received his MA from the University of British Columbia in 1970 with a thesis exploring Berlin Dada. His work was recently shown at the Fondation Henri Cartier-Bresson in Paris (2015), and is currently on view at the Broad Museum in Los Angeles, and White Cube in Hong Kong. Jeff Wall lives and works in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

**Please join us for the opening reception on Saturday, January 16, from 6-8pm**

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