

James Cohan

"Arcadia and Elsewhere," James Cohan, January 12 -
February 10, 2024.



Muzae Sesay
Past the Two Trees, 2023
Oil pastel, vinyl emulsion, and colored pencil on canvas in artist's frame
44 x 32 1/8 in
111.8 x 81.6 cm

James Cohan is pleased to present *Arcadia and Elsewhere*, an expansive group exhibition celebrating the breadth and complexity of contemporary landscape painting practices across geographies and generations. For the first time, this exhibition will unfold across all three of the gallery's spaces, 48 & 52 Walker Street and 291 Grand Street, from January 12 through February 10, 2024.

Arcadia and Elsewhere anchors landscape painting in the myriad portrayals of Arcadian landscapes, which portray nature as an idealized foil to the torrents of human civilization, stretching back into antiquity. The exhibition highlights the enduring prevalence of the landscape in contemporary painting, building connections between both established and emerging artists furtively engaged in the depiction of our natural surroundings as enduring sites of significance, while expanding and complicating the loaded ways in which landscape manifests as a form unto itself.