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Anne Truitt '62-'63

April 18 – July 2, 2015

Opening Saturday, April 18, 3:00 – 5:00 PM

Matthew Marks is pleased to announce **Anne Truitt '62–'63**, the next exhibition in his gallery at 1062 North Orange Grove in Los Angeles. The exhibition includes three sculptures and two paintings on paper from 1962 and 1963 — seminal years for the artist.

Truitt's first one-person exhibition opened in New York in February 1963, and the five objects featured here show a vision as original and advanced as that of any of her contemporaries. Each sculpture began with a wooden form constructed by a cabinetmaker to the artist's specifications. Truitt then finished the artwork through a labor-intensive process involving many layers of paint, each mixed and applied by hand and sanded to a fine finish. The three sculptures exhibited here employ a palette of whites and subtly hued blacks.

Drawing was a daily ritual for Truitt. The stark forms in these two paintings on paper, made over a two-month period in 1962, anticipate the radically new approach to form, color, and scale that would take root in the ensuing decade under the label Minimalism.

Anne Truitt (1921–2004) was born in Baltimore and spent the majority of her life in Washington, DC. Her work has been the subject of one-person exhibitions at the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York (1973); the Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, DC (1974); and the Baltimore Museum of Art (1974 & 1992). In 2009 the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden in Washington, DC, organized a comprehensive survey of her work. The three volumes of the artist's acclaimed journals, *Daybook* (1982), *Turn* (1987), and *Prospect* (1996), were published together for the first time as an e-book in 2013, alongside a new print edition of *Daybook*.

Anne Truitt: '62-'63 will be on view at 1062 North Orange Grove from April 18 through July 2, 2015, Tuesday through Saturday, from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

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