

A dark, atmospheric landscape painting by Donald Teskey. The scene is dominated by dense, dark green foliage and trees, with a path or stream leading into the distance. The lighting is dramatic, with strong highlights on the leaves and a deep shadow in the background. The overall mood is mysterious and somber.

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Oliver Sears Gallery is pleased to announce the opening of *One River, One Creek*, an exhibition of new works by Donald Teskey. The River Dodder runs at the back of Teskey's studio in Dublin's south city. The flora and fauna of this particular stretch of river have interested Teskey for many years.

In the summer of 2017 he began to work on a series of paintings that look at both the intimate elements of the riverbank as well as the broader view. The local perspective (local to the perspective of the artist's home) allows Teskey to countermand the challenge of plein air painting on the rugged coastline of Mayo and Sligo in order to decode a natural world on his doorstep. This series is reinforced by *One Creek*, a group of paintings that emerged during the artist's residency at Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania in the autumn of 2017. Crum Creek passes through the woodlands of Swarthmore, a slow moving waterway with its own sense of wilderness.

Donald Teskey has spent a lifetime embedded in the environment that he depicts. Here, two semi domesticated river systems, each with its own unique micro climate fall under his gaze and reappear on canvas and on paper, perfectly measured observations of time and place.

One River, One Creek opens on 1st February and runs until 15th March 2018.

One River



Riverwalk I Oil on canvas, 100 x 120 cm, 2017



Riverwalk II Oil on canvas, 100 x 120 cm, 2017



Riverbank with Buddleja Oil on canvas, 80 x 100 cm, 2017



Still Water Oil on canvas, 80 x 100 cm, 2017



Riverbank with Buddleja II Oil on canvas, 76 x 61 cm, 2017



Riverbank with Buddleja III Oil on canvas, 76 x 61 cm, 2017



Riverbank with Buddleja IV Oil on canvas, 76 x 61 cm, 2017

One Creek



Wister Forest Oil on canvas, 76 x 91 cm, 2017



Valley Walk I Acrylic on paper, 56 x 77 cm, 2017



Valley Walk II Acrylic on paper, 56 x 77 cm, 2017



Valley Walk III Acrylic on paper, 56 x 77 cm, 2017