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**WILLIAM BECKMAN**  
***New Works by an American Master***



*Montana, 2020, oil on canvas, 58 x 104 inches*

**New York, NY** – Forum Gallery is proud to announce a cross-platform, virtual exhibition, ***William Beckman: New Works by an American Master***. The exhibition of fifteen paintings and drawings may be viewed on Forum Gallery’s website now, as well as on our Artsy and Artnet pages.

With the William Beckman exhibition, Forum Gallery introduces our *Online Viewing Room* program. With this virtual experience, you can visit William Beckman’s studio as he discusses his creative process, highlights his important new works, and speaks of his history as an Artist. The *Online Viewing Room*, a creative way to visit William Beckman and the exhibition, is now available on our website [here](#).

William Beckman is one of America’s foremost artists. His powerful figurative paintings and self-portraits, expansive landscapes and farm scenes reflect his Midwestern roots, his personal life and his six decades as a working artist. The current online exhibition of new work adheres to the Artist’s perennial themes while touching new territory as well. In this collection of works William Beckman revisits the use of the “overcoat” as a symbol of survival, and introduces the theme of “bathers,” a nod to Cézanne, whom the Artist “has long admired for the life he led.”



*Overcoat with Plowed Field*, 2018-2019, oil on canvas, 100 x 73 inches

William Beckman joined Forum Gallery in 1993. In 2006, his portraits were the subject of a one-person exhibition at the opening of the newly-situated National Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C. In 2014-15, Beckman's drawings were honored with a retrospective exhibition organized by the Columbus Museum in Georgia, which traveled to the Arkansas Art Center in Little Rock.

His work is included in the collections of the National Portrait Gallery (Washington, D.C.), the Whitney Museum of American Art (New York, NY), Joseph H. Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden (Washington, D.C.), Museum Moderne Kunst (Vienna, Austria), The Art Institute of Chicago, The Carnegie Museum of Art (Pittsburgh, PA), Flint Institute of Arts (MI), Milwaukee Art Museum (WI), Columbus Museum (GA), Des Moines Art Center (IA) and the Frye Art Museum (Seattle, WA).

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**Forum Gallery** is located at 475 Park Avenue at 57<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10022. Please visit <http://www.forumgallery.com/exhibitions/william-beckman-new-works-by-an-american-master> to view the entire exhibition online. The exhibition begins on July 23, 2020 and will be on view as an online exclusive through October 31, 2020. During the month of July, Forum Gallery is open by appointment Monday through Friday, 10am to 5:30pm. On Monday, August 3rd, we will open to the public during the same days and hours, no appointment needed.

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