## Yehonatan Koenig

## Knowing, Not Knowing

Ink on Paper / October 15th 2022

Matt Drey Arts Kava Collective Gallery 1731 University Ave, San Diego, CA 92103

## THE RAW PRECISION OF YEHONATAN KOENIG

The art of Yehonatan Koenig is a subatomic soiree, every mark-making molecule involved in contributing to a higher purpose along the way.

There is form and structure revealed here, an elegant point in the digressions of a thousand or more marks, each its own act of lending to the whole. This is an art of celebrating the chance to be part of something so much larger than one's self. The result of the effort is image, subject, liberated form, universal connection, take your pick, the artist is fast at work at either a unified field theory of everything or a discombobulation of ordinary expectations. And with each drawing, perhaps both.

Koenig's art is a melange of influences too discrete to unearth and then piece back together. In his most recent work, I know I am not alone in seeing the influence of the great abstract master Mark Tobey. There was a point where the abstract expressionists diverged in whether thought or nature were the underpinnings of a great painting. Tobey was on the side of nature; perhaps Koenig's drawings are taking what Tobey's elegant calligraphic compositions accomplished and merging it all with the precise tension of Bridget Riley and the universally appealing geometry of Victor Vasarely. The result of this unites possibilities of thought, of the cerebral, with natural, raw form, an achievement wrought from the marriage of discipline and desire, an art of the complex in service to simplicity.

– Mat Gleason, 2022



Beauty is Incoherence 2021 Ink on paper 9" x 8"

\$1,350.00



Little Valley 2021 Ink on paper 6" x 6"

\$400.00

Between the Subtle Spaces #2 2021 Ink on paper 6" x 6" Between the Subtle Spaces #1 2021 Ink on paper 6" x 6"

\$400.00

\$400.00



Spark, Void, Silence 2021 Triptych, Ink on paper (2) 18" x 14.5" (1) 18" x 12

\$8,000.00



Still life with Gravity 2021 Diptych, Ink on Paper (2) 9" x 8"

\$1,650.00



Particles of Life Flow Up the Unsown Slope 2022 Triptych, Ink on Paper (3) 9" x 6"

\$2,500.00



Spiral with interference 2022 Ink on Paper 12" x 16"

\$1,800.00



Roots 2021 Triptych, Ink on Paper (2) 11" x 8" (1) 9.5" x 11" \$3,000.00



After the Fire 2021 Ink on Paper 12" x 16"

\$2,250.00

Sacred Smoke 2021 Ink on Paper 16" x 12"

\$2,250.00



Woodinville Untitled 2021 Quadtych, Ink on paper (4) 18" x 8"

\$4,000.00



Improv Life 2021 Ink on Paper 18" x 8"

\$1,800.00



Not Nature Naturally #3 2021 Ink on Paper 16" x 12"

\$2,000.00

Not Nature Naturally #1 2021 Ink on Paper 16" x 12"

\$2,000.00

Not Nature Naturally #2 2021 Ink on Paper 16" x 12"

\$2,000.00



Uncomfortable Occlusion 2022 Ink on Paper 11" x 8" In Darkness Two Lights 2022 Ink on Paper 11" x 8"

\$1,350.00

\$1,350.00



Gaze Through, Like Falling 2022 Diptych, Ink on Paper (2) 11" x 8" Combing Shadows #1 2022 Ink on Paper 11" x 8"

\$1,350.00

\$2,500.00



Where Angels Fear to Tread 2021 Diptych, Ink on Paper (2) 12" x 9" Shulamith 2022 Triptych, Ink on Paper (3) 12" x 9"

\$4,000.00

\$10,000.00





Umbilicus Strike of Lightning in the Void 2021 Ink on Paper 12" x 9"

\$1,500.00

Three Fates and Void 2021 Triptych, Ink on paper (2) 18" x 14.5" (1) 18" x 12"

\$3,000.00





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