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Joseph Minek: *No Poetic Device* at Denny Gallery October 12 to November 12, 2017

No Poetic Device is an exhibition of several unique, camera-less, abstract photographs by Joseph Minek. This is his first exhibition with the gallery and will take place in the Project Gallery from October 12th – November 12th, 2017.

Joseph Minek conducts “experiments” by manipulating photographic developing material to push at the boundaries of photography. Minek’s work explores the physicality of the materials and finds new ways they can be used to create a mark and collectively an image. The process is integral to his finished product; the photographs do not involve a camera and are not representational of the world in the traditional sense. As a professor at The Cleveland Institute of Art, Minek advocates that “you must first understand the rules in order to break them.” While he does invite chance into his process, he works deliberately and methodically plans out his process for each unique photograph. The results are luminescent, richly colored abstract compositions on glossy, metallic paper.

The title *No Poetic Device* is a reference both to Minek’s inclination towards minimalist descriptions of his works and a song titled by AFI.

Joseph Minek (b. 1986, lives in Cleveland, OH) received his MFA from Virginia Commonwealth University and his BFA from the Cleveland Institute of Art. He is adjunct faculty at The Cleveland Institute of Art (Cleveland, OH) and Cuyahoga Community College (Cleveland, OH). His work is in numerous public collections including The Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, OH, Rubell Family Collection, Miami, FL, New York Presbyterian– Hospital, New York, NY, Bidwell Projects, Cleveland, OH, Metro Health Systems, and Hilton Cleveland, Cleveland, OH.

Please join us for a reception for the artist, Joseph Minek, on Thursday, October 12, from 6 to 8 p.m. Denny Gallery is located at 261 Broome Street in New York City. The hours are Tuesday to Sunday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For further information, contact Elizabeth Denny or Robert Dimin at 212-226-6537 or by email at elizabeth@dennygallery.com or robert@dennygallery.com.