

# ROBERT STEELEGALLERY

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## Press Release

Jeff Lowe / *Drawn Out*  
Sculpture and Drawings  
March 18 – April 12, 2008

The **Robert Steele Gallery** at 511 West 25th Street between 10th and 11th Avenues in Chelsea is pleased to present an exhibition by **Jeff Lowe** which includes selected works from his recent series of forty cast iron panels and associated drawings, opening on

Tuesday, March 18th through April 12th, 2008. A reception for the artist will be held **Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, from 6 to 8pm**. Also on view in the gallery's Project Room will be **Betsy Cain**. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 11 to 6 pm and by appointment.

These works, made in wood with routed line marks and then cast in iron, continue Lowe's interest in the area between drawing and sculpture.

Using a process, which invites 'accident' and 'surprise' from a reversal of negative and positive, these works have an immediacy and freshness which comes from not being totally in control of the 'end result'. They are made quickly, directly and intuitively (from eye to hand) trying hard not to be distracted by the head, which could stifle and inhibit. Working away from the fashionable trend of conceptual art, Lowe makes sculpture which needs to be observed, experienced with the 'eye', which cannot be analyzed or understood in a literal way. Magical objects, much like the African art that Lowe collects and holds in high regard, they function when being looked at.

Lowe works in an impressive 10,000 sq ft studio in South Bermondsey and has produced a remarkable body of work some on a massive scale.

Lowe studied at St Martins School of Art and had his first one man show at the age of twenty-one at the prestigious Leicester Galleries in Cork St. He has shown at the Hayward Gallery, Serpentine Gallery as well as the Paris Biennale. He has had many solo exhibitions in London, Portugal, Amsterdam, Australia and New York. This will be his second solo exhibition in New York. Lowe divides his time between his studios in London and southern Portugal where he has built a house and studio.

*For additional information on Jeff Lowe or to schedule a private viewing, please contact the gallery at 212.243.0165 or [info@robertsteelegallery.com](mailto:info@robertsteelegallery.com)*