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For Immediate Release:

ROSS PENHALL: *HERE AND THERE (ALONG THE LINE)*

Exhibition dates: February 27 – March 28, 2020
Opening reception: Saturday, February 29, 2 – 4 p.m.



Ross Penhall, *Final Approach*, oil on canvas, 44 x 60 inches.

Gallery Jones is pleased to present a new series of paintings by Ross Penhall, *Here and There (Along the Line)*. In this body of work, the Vancouver-based painter investigates the emotional impact of contrasting landscapes: the towering mountains of the West Coast and the gently undulating vistas of the prairies. With an inquisitive eye, he exaggerates the height and breadth of the land, allowing the viewer to explore the far-ranging fields or rising mountainsides.

As part of the process for these paintings, Penhall took numerous chartered flights in a small plane across the prairies and several boat trips traveling north up the coast from Horseshoe Bay. The resulting imagery has obvious distinctions, but the paintings are not in conflict with each other. Instead there is a commonality brought forth by Penhall's encompassing depiction of them. As he himself states: "Painting these two distinct regions is therapeutic. My conflicting feelings are quieted with my palette, brushes and canvas".

Ross Penhall was born and raised on the West Coast and continues to live and paint on the North Shore of Vancouver. His work has been exhibited internationally and is included in numerous private, corporate and public collections around the world.