

ART**Branden Koch: *Late Holiday***

when: Now through Sat 4.14 (Sat:
11am-5pm)

where: Rowland Contemporary (1118 W
Fulton Market, 312.421.6275) [map](#)

price: ★ FREE

In Brooklyn-based painter Branden Koch's confounding works, lightly rendered organic shapes and hints of architectural elements (bricks, a hardwood floor) lurk beneath the surface, upon which Koch alternately applies bold, abstract expressionist-style brushstrokes and watercolor-esque washes of paint. The pieces vacillate between vivid colors and cool, restrained blacks, whites, and grays, or perhaps between grace and aggression, decisive and haphazard mark-making. In the project room, Jason Karolak's imposing large-scale painting, mad with warm hues and drippy, imperfect shapes, is juxtaposed with an abundance of tiny, playful ink drawings. (AM)

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