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HEAR THE WIND SING

Bob Linder Will Rogan

May 4 – June 2, 2007

Opening Friday May 4, 5-8 PM

Monday, May 7, 8:15 PM

5th Ave Cinemas at SW 5th and Hall

**Bob Linder and Will Rogan will speak in the PSU Monday Night MFA Lecture series
musical accompaniment by TOP BROWN II**

Legend has it that on a warm spring day in 1978 while watching a baseball game, Murakami-san had the inspiration to write his first novel, **Hear the Wind Sing**.

Bob Linder and Will Rogan have been friends for more than a decade and have lived together, made work together and co-organized exhibitions and events. From 1997-2001, they shared a space in San Francisco while attending the San Francisco Art Institute and organized exhibitions and events that attracted the attention of curators, artists and gallerists in the Bay area. In the years that followed, their collaborative and solo works and curatorial projects were exhibited at various institutions and galleries including Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, SFMoMA, Southern Exposure, Queens Nails Annex and Jack Hanley Gallery.

Currently, Will Rogan lives and works in the Bay Area and Bob Linder has recently relocated to New York, and both artists have exhibited their work nationally and internationally. Linder was recently included in an exhibition at Galleri Nicolai Wallner in Copenhagen and Rogan's work is currently included in **All About Laughter** at the Mori Museum in Tokyo. This is the first time they've shown their work together in a two-person exhibition.

Although much of the work in the exhibition takes the form of photographs, video or drawing, both artists are primarily interested in the object matter and in the actual things that these images depict. Implicit in the work, is a both a celebration and an insistence of the physicality and presence of things that is also central to Haruki Murakami's text and title that is borrowed for the title of this exhibition.

Hear the Wind Sing is a book that both Linder and Rogan care deeply about and that has inspired their work in its acknowledgement of things as they simply are. The wind is something that is just a fact, a force that can be constructive or destructive, or something that can be simply felt or observed. Both Linder and Rogan are interested in depicting things that are compelling and yet overlooked and finding ways to make these things beautiful, by drawing out their distinctive qualities so that these things too can sing.

The gallery is open Wednesday through Saturday, noon to six and by appointment. Please contact the gallery for more information or images.