

Linda Gottesfeld

Road Trip

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George Adams Gallery is pleased to present *Road Trip*, an exhibition of landscape paintings by Linda Gottesfeld. Spanning works from 1997 to 2016, *Road Trip* explores the East Coast landscape as seen from the vantage point of a moving car. Highways, gas stations, and pastoral scenes are depicted with a dynamic energy that reflects both the motion of travel and the evolving relationship between the built environment and nature.

A defining aspect of Gottesfeld's practice since the late 1990s, each painting is executed on salvaged metal materials, including car body panels and locker doors. The contours of these found objects dictate her compositions, merging the built environment with the painted image. Her three-dimensional surfaces expand and distort across irregular forms, reinforcing the interplay between structure and landscape.

Gottesfeld earned her BFA from the Rhode Island School of Design, where she sought to engage with landscape painting in a contemporary context. Her coursework included welding and ceramics, leading her to experiment with dimensional surfaces and non-traditional materials. She later received her MFA from the University of California, Berkeley, where she studied with Elmer Bischoff, worked as a teaching assistant for Joan Brown, and was mentored by Roy De Forest, whose ties to Bay Area Funk were a significant influence.

Linda Gottesfeld (b. 1957, Passaic, New Jersey) received her BFA from Rhode Island School of Design in 1979 and her MFA from University of California, Berkeley in 1983. Her work has been featured in group exhibitions at the Fitchburg Art Museum, Massachusetts (2022); The Drawing Center, New York (2002, 1982, 1981); and the Hyde Collection, Glenn Falls, New York (2000), among others. She has been the recipient of numerous residencies, including the Moulin à Nef Residency in Auvillar, France (2025), and Yaddo in Saratoga Springs (2010, 1995). She is Professor of Art at Pace University since 1994, and currently lives and works in New York City.