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Sam Messenger: *Early Drawings*

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Davidson Contemporary

(724 Fifth Avenue, 4th Floor)

New York, January 6, 2014 – Davidson Contemporary is pleased to present *Early Drawings*, an exhibition of work by the acclaimed British artist, Sam Messenger. The show consists of a series of drawings completed between 2004 and 2007. These early works are the precursors to Messenger's most recognizable work – his *Veils*.

The system or process that begat the *Veil* series was started by Messenger in his post-graduate school days at the Royal College of Art. These drawings were certainly whole works, each in its own right, but they were also exercises. Messenger drew each grid, by hand, line by line. It was only with the greater picture in his mind of a systemic chaos that Messenger was able to complete what are maddeningly labyrinthine harmonies of mathematical representation and abstract expressionism.

This is Messenger's third one-man exhibition with Davidson Contemporary. His next solo show will feature new work and will take place in the Fall of 2014 when Davidson Contemporary opens its new space in Chelsea, New York.

Fully illustrated catalogue available. For further information, please contact Brittany LoSchiavo at info@davidsongallery.com.

Gallery address: 724 Fifth Avenue (between 56th and 57th St.)

Gallery hours: Monday-Saturday 10:00am – 5:30pm