

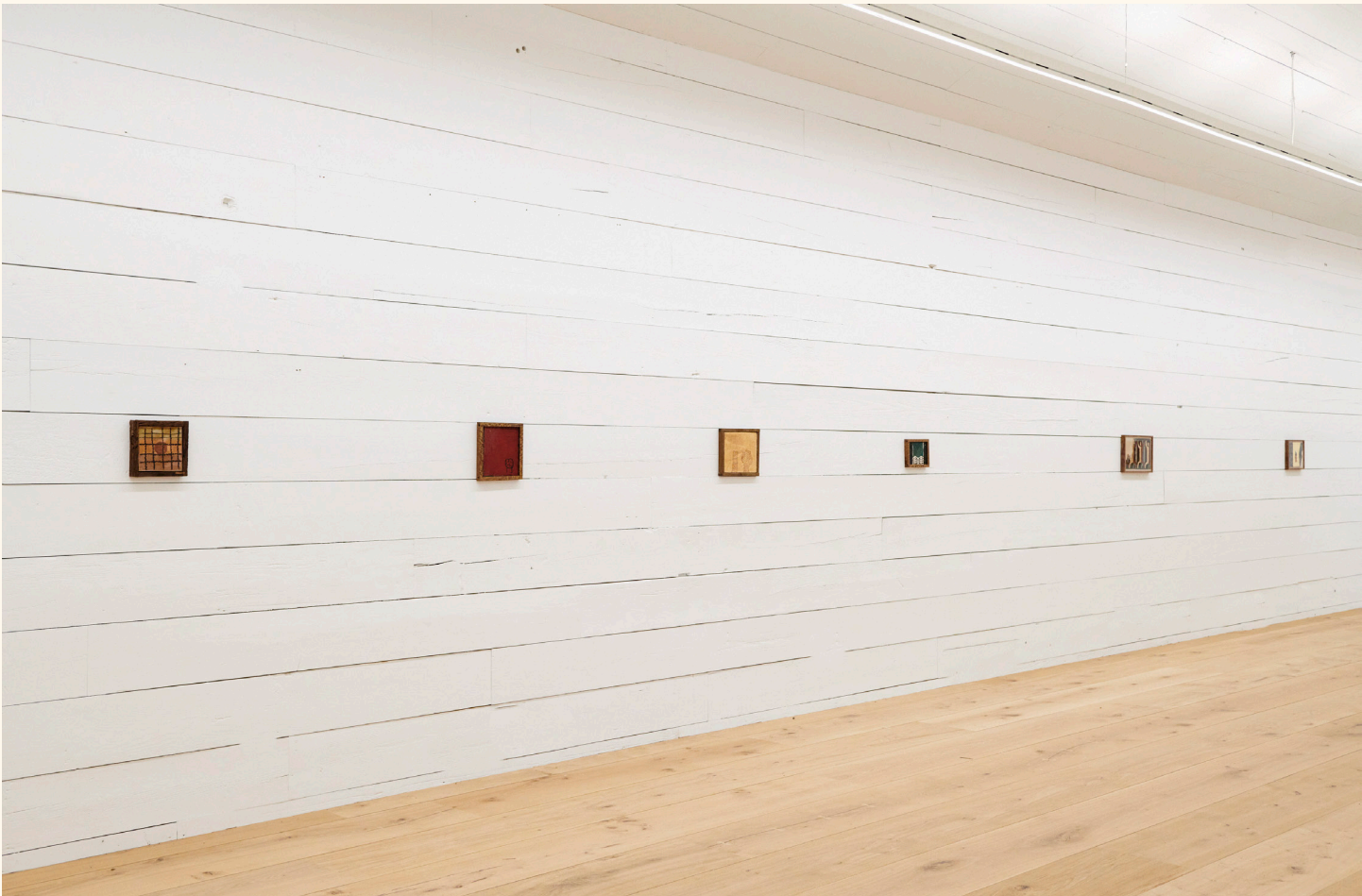


THE RANCH

Exhibition Installation Views

Forrest Bess:
I Can Close My Eyes in a Dark Room

WEST BARN
November 12-December 18, 2021























in a year or so. My Day Lilies
are blooming.
It lonesome down here.
Love,
Forrest

Dear Jack and Naomi

Looked for you Easter.

You ought to get me some money down here if you want to keep
me alive. Bank note, plumbing, and yard mowing are taking the rent.
"The Penetrator" was not sold in Houston and is on its way home.

Let me hear from you.

Best,

Forrest



FORREST BESS

BORN, BAY CITY, TEXAS, 1911, FORREST BESS NOW
LIVES AT CHINQUAPIN RIVER NEAR MATAGORDA,
TEXAS. BEGAN PAINTING IN 1923. STUDIED ARCHI-
TECTURE AT TEXAS A & M AND THE UNIVERSITY OF
TEXAS. TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY IN MEXICO, 1934.

1709 Avenue E, Bay City, Texas
3 February 1966

Dear Jack and Naomi,

I am as lonesome as hell to see you two. Come see me. I called S.J. and told him to call you for me. I am lost up here and having much difficulty becoming civilized. UG, UG.

Give my best to everybody and get down here. I should say I am starving etc and maybe that would get some action. You know I finally realize I was in hell for nineteen years but I think I profited by the time I am not yet sure.

Fried







