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Winter

This project was born out of a fascination with the bleak winter landscape of northern Minnesota. This area is often flat, monotonous and quite desolate. It's a landscape many passes by it being too mundane to warrant much attention.

As I drove through these landscapes during the most intense winter months, I saw numerous wheat and cornfields stretching for miles only interrupted by artificially planted rows of trees. After a while, everything seemed the same, and the monotony almost gave me a sense of disorientation.

This landscape seemed uninviting and rough. As an artist, I wanted to visualize the "rawness" of this nondescript land. Just like the landscape, these photographs have a roughness to them that interests me. They reflect the overall mood and I believe that even in the most mundane places there are things of great beauty.

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