

The Civic Garden Centre at Edwards Gardens

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Lava Metamorphoses

Work by Lenka Holubec

Exhibit runs through June 1, 2003

Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm; Sat - Sun, 12 -5pm. Call to inquire about the artist's presence at the exhibit site.

Lava Metamorphoses celebrates nature as a source of life and creativity. It features images revealing lava formations along the North Shore of Lake Superior as remarkable manifestations of nature's creative powers. They truly are unique artifacts, displaying endless variations of shape, colour and texture. Basking in sunlight at one point in time, they can disappear from our sight over a stormy winter, remaining buried under the sand for years or forever.

The Canadian Shield along the northern edge of Lake Superior, where the images have originated, represents some of the oldest exposed rock formations in the world. These magnificent rocks were formed approximately 3 billion years ago, making them some of the oldest exposed lava formations on the planet. The granites of the Canadian Shield are plutonic, formed by cooling lava.

Through the images this exhibit alludes to a notion of nature as a source of our creativity. A strong bond with nature inspires and nourishes Lenka Holubec's photography work to a great extent. As she explains: "Lava formations strike me as expressions of an enormous creative force capable of having an immediate, energizing and uplifting effect upon us. Being around them gives me a feeling of both joy and humility, while making me acutely aware of nature's strength and fragility. It also makes me think about how much we are receiving from nature and how little we are giving back".

Recent Exhibits:

- *Journeys and Returns*, Solo exhibit, September 2000, Gate Gallery, Vysoke Myto, Czech Republic
- *The Gallery of Shared Visions*, April 2001, 32 photographs exhibited as a part of Signatures Spring Show, The Metro Convention Centre, Toronto
- *A Short Retrospective*, September 2001, Gallery Katerina, Vysoke Myto, Czech Republic
- *Intimate Portraits*, Group exhibit, December 2001, Gate Gallery, Vysoke Myto, Czech Republic
- *Sharing Visions of a Great Passion*, May 2002, Club Lucky Gallery, Toronto
- *Lava Metamorphoses*, May 2003, The Civic Garden Centre at Edwards Gardens, Toronto

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