



## STRANGE NATURE

**Jennifer Angus  
Mary Anne Barkhouse  
Robin Ripley**

**June 25 - September 5, 2010**

Opening Reception: Thursday, June 24 from 7:00 to 9:00pm.

Artist Tour with Robin Ripley on Saturday August 28 at 2pm.

*Strange Nature* brings together the work of **Jennifer Angus, Mary Anne Barkhouse and Robin Ripley**. These artists explore the ways we interact with nature in an experimental and interdisciplinary artistic environment. Avoiding the traditional approach that creates definitive oppositions between mankind and nature, we want to focus on the connections, representations, strategies and sensibilities that link these two universes in a critical and transformative form. Knowing beforehand that our survival depends on our response to the current environmental crisis, this exhibit will address new forms of sociability and subjectivity, as well as our emotional involvement with nature within and around us.

*Jennifer Angus* is an artist, educator, writer and curator living in Madison, Wisconsin. She has exhibited her work internationally and has been the recipient of numerous awards including Canada Council and Ontario Arts Council grants. Three of her pieces are in the permanent collection of the Canadian Embassy in Bangkok, Thailand.

*Mary Anne Barkhouse* was born in Vancouver, British Columbia, in 1961. She belongs to the Nimpkish band, Kwakiutl First Nation and is a descendant of a long line of internationally recognized artists that includes Ellen Neel, Mungo Martin and Charlie James. She graduated with Honours from the Ontario College of Art in Toronto and has exhibited and lectured widely across Canada. Working with a variety of media, Barkhouse examines environmental concerns and indigenous culture through the use of animal imagery.

*Robin Ripley* is a contemporary artist based in Vancouver. The focus of her art practice has often included the re-examination of mundane objects, as they function as signifiers for sensory information, knowledge and memory. These objects also highlight the interwoven nature of our perception and the interplay between art and life. Ripley has been exhibiting her works across Canada.

**Gallery Hours:** Monday to Friday 10 am to 6 pm; weekends 10 am to 5 pm; closed for statutory holidays

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