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FOREST AND THE ARTFUL MINDS

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FOREST THROUGH THE EYES OF CROATIAN FORESTERS

Finland and Croatia – although geographically apart, are countries which besides friendship share many things in common. Especially in the field of forestry which in both countries is the source of national pride, as well as one of major engines of national economies, throughout the countries' turbulent history as well as nowadays.

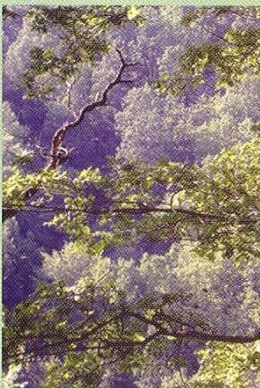
Following the amicable gesture Friendship trees of Finland and Croatia, which were planted in Botanical garden in Helsinki in June 2008 ; and on the grounds of already existing successful cooperation between Finnish Forest Research Institute (METLA) and Forest Research Institute Jastrebarsko (Šumarski institut Jastrebarsko) confirmed by the Memorandum of Understanding in November 2008. in Finland; both documents kindly supported thanks to the Government of Republic of Finland as well as the Embassy of the Republic of Croatia in the Republic of Finland; together we came to idea to give extra touch to previous successful collaboration of two countries, in order to present also the beauties of Croatian forests to larger Finish audience, seen through the eye(s) of Croatian foresters.

People and humanity always lived through forest and with the forest; finding in it what is essential for living; a shelter, a resource and everlasting well of inspiration and motivation. Therefore forest has always been a tremendous and ever present source of artistic inspiration through the history of mankind. And as place of rest and relaxation this natural environment also represents symbolic return to the nature from which we all succeed, and to which we always return. As a subject of artistic photography – forest shows another dimension: a living environment; an organism with its own life and secrets, and a world of its own, apart from our modern high-tech life; almost multidimensional.

This exhibition is just a modest choice of much greater collection of photos which saw the light of the world in recent five years, since the annual Salon of Photography "Šuma okom šumara" – "Forest Through Eye of Forester" takes part. Therefore the photos that follow the exhibition "Šuma okom hrvatskih šumara" – "Forest Through Eye of Croatian Foresters" is just another proof of fragile, unique and special beauty of our forests. Forest Research Institute Jastrebarsko is happy to be part of this amazing exhibition, where the variety of subjects and imagination truly amazes and surely proves that the nature itself is the greatest artists of all! It is to us weather we're able to perceive that.

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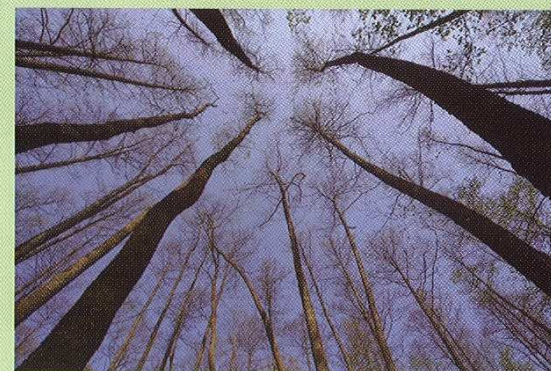


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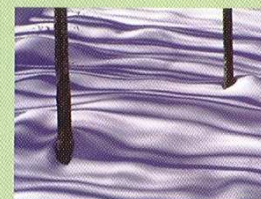
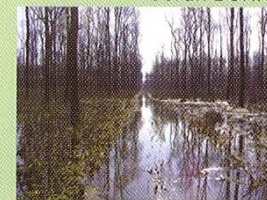


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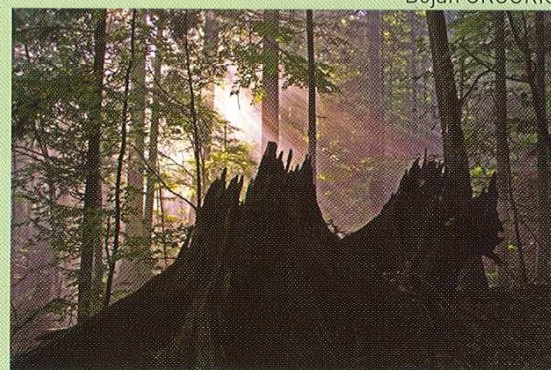
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