

'HOME and OASIS'

an installation by

DOUG BUIS

October 15 to November 12, 1994

Opening 3pm, Saturday October 15

The Or Gallery is pleased to introduce the work of Montreal-based artist Doug Buis to Vancouver audiences.

'Home and Oasis' is a grouping of new and previously exhibited constructions. Buis scans popular media, political events, technological and scientific trends, focusing on the microcosms and macrocosms within these concepts.

He has created a series of 'hand-crafted virtual realities' in the form of small portable live gardens - Bicycle Garden, Lap-top Garden and Dot-matrix Planter. There are also two depictions of the Earth; one which is part of Buis' 'Neo-Geo' series and models, in science museum aesthetic, our planet with an exposed organic interior of muscles, organs and nervous system. The politics of 'green consumerism' comes into focus in his other model of an entombed planet in 'Earth with Protective Cover'. Buis' involvement in the controversy surrounding the siting of a proposed hydro-dam at Great Whale, Quebec and his concern about conflicting cultural priorities, created a series of model home interiors which relentlessly flood and drain.

Doug Buis uses viewer participation, mechanical and electronic devices to increase our awareness of his subject matter. He exposes the humour and absurdity within the issues he depicts and illuminates the often arbitrary nature of Western belief systems.

The artist will be in attendance at the opening where he will be available to talk about the work. The gallery's publication for this exhibition has been produced as a component of the installation.


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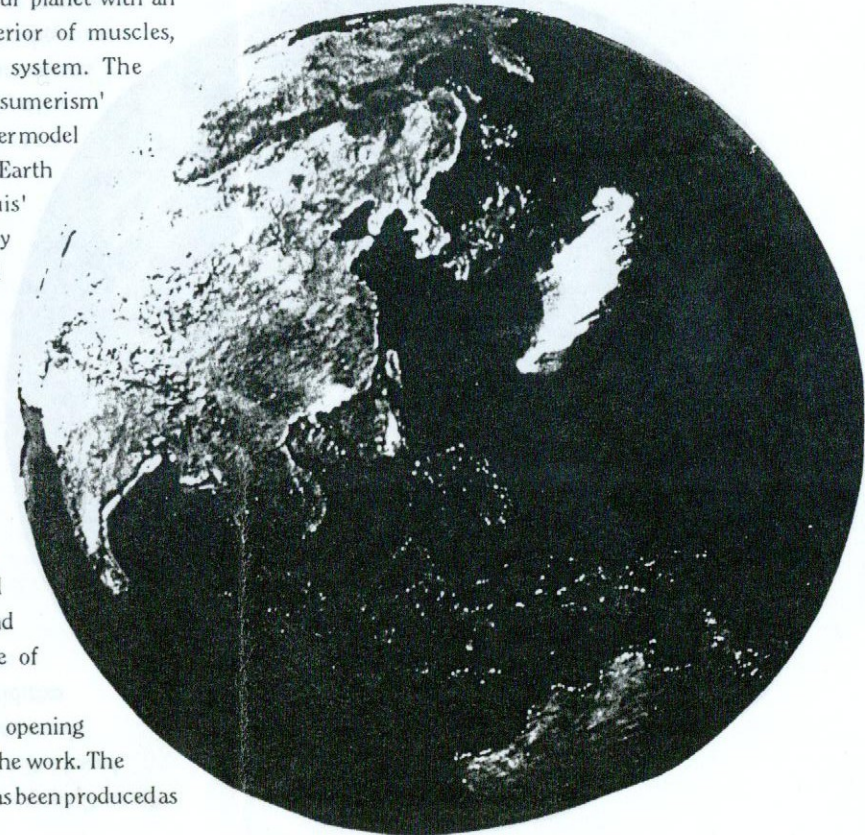
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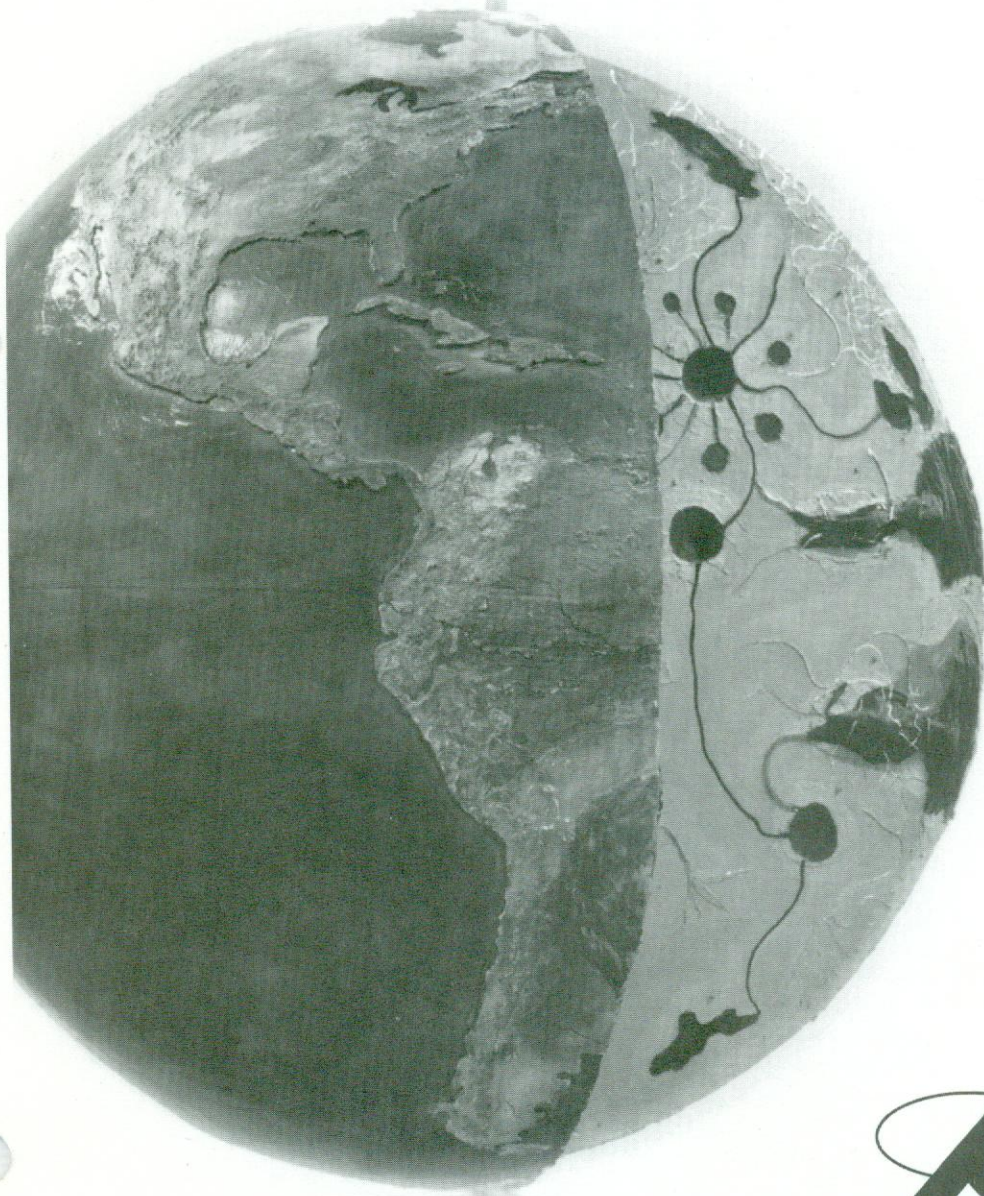
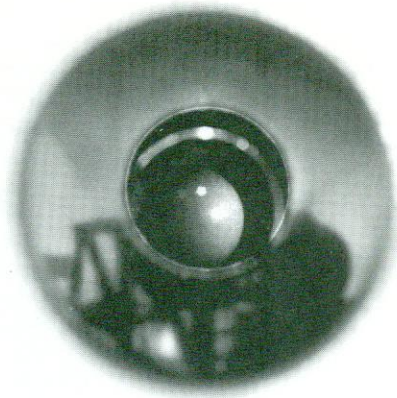
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