

PRESS RELEASE

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Chancery Art Gallery
downtown Bracebridge, ON
(Muskoka)

August – October

*"The only possible teacher
except torture is fine art"*
Bernard Shaw
The Doctor's Dilemma

From the Freudian view, arts derive from the same source as fantasies and dreams, and have the same purpose – to reduce tension in the soul. This applies to both creation and perception of the art, regardless of modality – painting, sculpture, literature, music, dance, etc. Thus, in some respects artists are not special – like the rest of us, they have the same narcissistic desires and fantasies, rather shameful to share under our cultural restraints. But unlike us, artists have a very special gift – they are able to exhibit their fantasies in a skilful, camouflaged way, and to attract us first with the external, formal side of their work. It traps us, provoking a preliminary, properly aesthetic pleasure, turning our internal "censor" off guard. And then, it enables us to enjoy our own deep prohibited fantasies – projected on the art – without shame and self-blame, with revealing catharsis. How are artists able to do this? It's their mystic secret; it's art.

*"..The one thing which may
in some degree reconcile the
cultured person with life –
scientific and artistic enjoyment..."*
Eduard von Hartmann
Philosophy of the Unconscious

Chancery Art Gallery is a commercial gallery which offers solo and group exhibitions of contemporary fine art and acts as the artist's agent with exclusivity limited to Muskoka district of Ontario, Canada.

The gallery is affiliated with a psychology office on premises – www.PrivateCounseling.ca Occasionally, for "artist-in-crisis" a psychological consultation is offered *pro-bono*.

The gallery's mission:
*"Piece of pie to the artists,
Peace of mind to the rest of us"*

Dr. Lena Kolobow
owner & director

Dr. Paul Ivanoff
curator

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CHANCERY
photo contest 2013

theme:
ECO KEYS
Pedals, Sails & Paddles

- Free entry
- Only images related to the theme accepted
- Web listing of all submissions for public voting
- Selection of finalists by international jury of advanced art professionals
- Finalists' exhibition and sale at Chancery Gallery during Christmas 2013 - New Year 2014 season
- Slide show of finalists' work during July 2014 Chancery Sailing Festival
- No cash alternative for prizes
- Up to 5 digital images per submission
- Resolution 75 dpi, vertical size 1100 pixels
- Minimum use of editing software: only cropping, contrast/saturation and b&w conversion permitted
- Email your submission to Gallery@ChanceryArt.com
- Submissions accepted until **October 27, 2013**
- Photographers retain the copyright of the images
- Images may be used by the gallery for promotion of fine art
- For out of Canada finalists no visa backing may be provided
- www.ChanceryArt.com

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