



### ***Natural Causes***

**Katie Deith and Kate Scrivener**

Curated by Victoria Preston

April 21 – May 31, 2006 (by appointment)

**Private View April 20, 2006, 18.30 – 20.30**



Katie Deith, *Tchekeea*, 2005



Kate Scrivener, *For Millions of Years  
Great Things have Grown Here*, 2004

**Wings Projects Art Space** offers a new concept for showing contemporary art. Located in a private residence overlooking the lake between Geneva and Lausanne, it aims to create a platform for the production and exhibition of contemporary art in an informal setting and promote discourse and education in contemporary culture.

***Natural Causes*** presents two young British artists, **Katie Deith** and **Kate Scrivener**, exhibiting in Switzerland for the first time. This first exhibition explores the relationship between art and nature and asks the question: can art compete with nature? On entering the exhibition space from the north-west, the eye is drawn immediately to the lake and landscape outside, inviting the viewers on to the balcony to enjoy a direct experience with nature. How can the artworks conspire to lure them back?

Katie Deith investigates the visual language of fantasy and escapism where utopian visions are juxtaposed like fragments of memory. The initial familiarity of the stereotypical landscapes is displaced by disorientation - the compositions are broken, the colours accentuated and the reality shifted. Deith paints with an unnerving beauty and steeped in ambiguity, her work makes us ask questions about nature and how we perceive it.

Kate Scrivener uses painted texts to create images of natural phenomena appropriated from stories found in the media. Her works reflect both macro and micro narratives – stories from deep space, frolics in the garden or a single sailor lost at sea. Using the texts to create images, she constructs a web of interrelationships, so the content of the narrative and the visual image reflect and reinforce one another, challenging the viewer to unravel its meaning.

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