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EXHIBITION BY ZLATKA LAMROVA, HANUS LAMR AND JAPANESE ARTIST SHIHO IN GALLERY KUSKOVU, PRAGUE

"FROM THE LIFE OF A BEETLE and other stories"

Gallery KusKovu, Biskupsky dvur 6, Prague 1

13. 5. – 30. 6. 2010
Tuesday – Friday 1 – 6 pm
Opening Wednesday 12. 5. 2010 at 7 pm
Introduction by Petra Matejovicova (UPM, curator of the precious metals collection)
Musical accompaniment by Josef Ostransky

Gallery KusKovu cordially invites you to an exhibition of textiles and garments by Zlatka Lamrova, objects and jewels by Hanus Lamr and jewels by Japanese artist Shino entitled "FROM THE LIFE OF A BEETLE and other stories". This exhibition takes up a common presentation of these three artists which took place in the Gallery Rozehnal in 2007 and met a great success. We would like to follow up and introduce new pieces from Hanus, Zlatka and Shino's ateliers. This exhibition echoes a similar, highly acclaimed exhibition at Gallery Rozehnal in 2007 and includes new pieces from all three artists. They take their inspiration from the world of beetles; their metallic shine, the transparency of their wings and the delicacy of their feelers. Their contrasting approaches combine to make a stunning and diverse exhibition.

About the artists:

Zlatka Lamrova (1974) graduated at VSUP – in shoe and accessory design. She was fashion and accessories designer for Pietro Filipi and Alpine Pro. Her current independent work shows an interplay of colours in which hand-crafted needlework and colour prints play a major part. She finds inspiration from different patterns in nature as well as in the urban way of life. Zlatka is also a painter and studied at SUR Brno.

Hanus Lamr (1976) <u>www.hanuslamr.cz</u> graduated from VSUP – as a jewellery designer. Since the end of the 1990's he has installed large objects in the Czech and Moravian countryside. In the last 7 years his interest has focused mainly on jewellery and a fascination with nature influences all his current collections. His focus is mainly on flowers which he researches during his walks. Some of the jewellery that he produces is used on the garments designed by his wife, Zlatka. Their collaboration is marketed under the title of Goldie & Frost.

Shino /Mayumi Shinohara/ (1961) is glass artist and was editor of the well-known magazine Glasswork. Her creations combine the Japanese tradition with the American and European experience. Her work brings silent testimony of a distant world where tradition, respect of environment, love of nature and joy of creativity are inherent parts of human life.

About Gallery KusKovu:

Gallery KusKovu (Piece of Metal) established in 2006 presents objets d'art, sculpture and jewellery made from metal or metal combined with other materials in its permanent collection. Gallery KusKovu introduces art pieces by Czech artists, artist blacksmiths and jewellery designers, both experienced and recent graduates. Its priority is conceptional originality and professional fabrication. Gallery KusKovu regularly presents exhibitions of artists working with metal and other materials.

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