

another year in LA

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“Common Ground” – Photographs by Robert A. Nelson

June 6 – July 18, 2008 - Opening Reception: Friday, June 6, 7pm – 10pm

Best known for his hilarious and captivating “underground” films in the 1960s (some made in collaboration with William Wiley, Steve Reich, Bruce Nauman and others), Robert Nelson will debut an exhibition of photographs shot on 35mm film (all effects in the camera...no use of Photoshop) at **another year in LA**. And a very special film showing of a new movie Nelson is currently working on will be shown once only (due to this being original footage and not a copy) during the reception at 9:30pm.

The reflective/refractive capture of everyday observation in the woods surrounding his cabin (in rural Laytonville, CA) inspire Robert Nelson’s photographic imagery in his nine year endeavor of forming relationships with nature. The inclusive quality of the photographs both document and reflect abstraction in nature. They document the day, season, hour; they reflect vision, the ability to see and convey that experience and the experience of life itself- fleeting, ethereal in psychedelic and geometrically formal references that create organization and palette.

Imagery spans from those referencing the hereafter to poignant observation of condensed time, very much in the here and now. Balance is achieved with heavy geometry juxtaposed to lilting breeze like kaleidoscopic pattern in the oeuvre of the work.

“Common Ground” embodies the ballast for the exploration of the photographic expressions and manipulations which create the opportunity for the viewer to travel along this contemplative visually rich experience.