PRESS RELEASE

Höglund Art Glass

RAINFOREST GRAAL COLLECTION 'LIOUID NATURE CAPTURED IN GLASS'

A stunning new book from Höglund Art Glass has just been released. Internationally renowned glass artists Ola Höglund and Marie Simberg-Höglund are proud to present this book as a tribute to their magnificent new Rainforest Graal Collection. A total of 43 striking pieces from the collection have been captured in this 96-page, full colour collector's book, produced by June Derecourt of Nelson Bays Print. Each art glass piece in the collection is engraved with an individual title and code, numbered and signed by the artists, and

accompanied by a certificate of authenticity, making them true collectors items. A video capturing the fascinating process of the Graal technique is also available.

These stunning pieces of art glass are a celebration of the rainforests around the world. It is hoped they contribute to awareness of the rainforests as a vital natural resource, and advocate for their unique beauty and natural energy to be protected and passed on to future generations.

"Inspiration comes to us from the magic of the natural world and all its colours, shapes and forms," says Marie "The rainforest is unchanged for millions of years, but is constantly growing and evolving in harmony with the earth and the elements. Lush plants produce subtle layers of green and unique tones of colour the thick forest canopy lets in bright flashes of light and hides deep shadowy tones. This is what fires our imagination - this is what we wanted to capture in glass."



The Rainforest Graal Collection has been inspired by nature. The individual art glass pieces signify a connection to the landscape, immersing you in a visual impression of the 'Forest of Rain' captured in a three-dimensional form. Each hand-blown piece is unique, and is brought to life by the captivating reflections of light and depths of shade working through the layers.

Twelve pieces from the Rainforest Graal Collection will be exhibited in Auckland at Höglund Art Glass Gallery, 285 Parnell Rd, Auckland. 13 October – 30 November 2002.

EDITOR'S NOTES: _

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The book and video are available on request from: Höglund Art Glass Gallery, 285 Parnell Rd, Auckland. Tel 09 300 6238 Fax 09 300 6239 Email: auckland-gallery@hoglund.co.nz

The book retails for \$69.95: the video for \$19.95

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