

**WILLIAM HORNER  
JĀN MAŇČUSKA**

**17 NOVEMBER – 18 DECEMBER 2005  
PRIVATE VIEW: WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2005, 7 – 9 PM**

**HOLLYBUSH GARDENS is pleased to present two works, *The Open Plain* by William Horner and *A Cup* by Jān Maňčuska.**

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William Horner's work, *The Open Plain*, toys with a variety of pared down materials such as hardwood, wax, wire mesh and bronze. In a setting not unlike a scaled down tableau vivant, the different components of the work appear as a set of unfinished propositions within the vocabulary of sculpture. While figuring the moment and duration of its own setting-up, the composition unfolds a maelstrom of historical contexts within the locale of its own drama; a Brancusi endless column is laid flat and appears to serve as a garland or festoon to what could be a model reconstruction of Vito Acconci's *Seedbed* performance.

Jān Maňčuska's practice investigates the possibility of 'permanent critique', a process that implies an active relation to others and to the surrounding world. *A Cup* is made up of two parts; a slide projection of a cup inside an open cardboard box, and a wall drawing. The drawing is the result of a performance where a tree like system is generated by associations originating from the word 'cup'. Linguists have long asked whether true communication—a subjective and delicate thing—can ever be possible. Maňčuska translates the question into a site that, while tangible enough, promises, in the mind's eye, to be forever under construction.

William Horner lives and works in London. He has recently completed a PhD in Sculpture at the Royal College of Art, London. Recent exhibitions include; Mary Mary Gallery, Glasgow, Café Gallery Projects, London and Henry Peacock Gallery, London.

Jān Maňčuska lives and works in Prague, The Czech Republic. Recent exhibitions include Venice Biennial, 2005, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, 2004, Marc Foxx Gallery, Los Angeles, 2004, Andrew Kreps Gallery, New York, 2004, Manifesta 4, 2002.

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THURSDAY – SUNDAY  
OR BY APPOINTMENT**

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