## **DINA MITRANI GALLERY**

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COLLEEN PLUMB: Animals are Outside Today May 12 - June 25, 2011

Artist Talk and Book Signing: Thursday, May 12, 7pm

Animals are Outside Today examines relationships between humans and animals, studying how animals are woven through the fabric of culture. Living and dead, real and fake, as displays or companions, these images investigate both our kinship and disjuncture from other creatures of this Earth. The project stems from the artists interest in the ever-increasing disconnection that exists between humans and the natural world. The photographs are visually compelling samples of Plumb's keen eye for the intimate, subtle corners of culture that capture animals in everyday life.

A native of Chicago, Colleen Plumb attended the University of Illinois in Urbana and studied drawing before transferring to Northern Illinois University, earning a BFA in Visual Communication in 1992. Plumb holds an MFA in Photography from Columbia College Chicago (1999), where she is currently an adjunct faculty member. Plumb's work is in the permanent collections at the Museum of Contemporary Photography; the Milwaukee Art Museum; the Notebaert Nature Museum, Chicago; and the Beijing Natural Cultural Center in China. Her photographs are part of the Midwest Photographers Project at the Museum of Contemporary Photography and the Chicago Project at Catherine Edelman Gallery. Recent exhibitions include a solo exhibit at the Jen Bekman Gallery in New York City; the Notebaert Nature Museum, Chicago; group shows at Santa Monica Art Studios, California; Humble Arts Foundation, New York; Zolla/Lieberman Gallery, Chicago; Evanston Biennial, Evanston, Illinois; Chicago Cultural Center; and the U.S. Botanic Garden in Washington D.C.

Her book, available at the gallery, has just been published by Radius Books and includes an essay by Lisa Hostetler, curator of photographs at the Milwaukee Art Museum. Hardbound, 9 x 10 inches, 128 pages, 74 color illustrations, \$50.

To read a wonderful review of her show in New York: <a href="http://www.photographmag.com/snapshots/2011/04/28/colleen-plumbs-animals">http://www.photographmag.com/snapshots/2011/04/28/colleen-plumbs-animals</a>

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