



MARIUS JOVAIŠA
photo exhibition

UNSEEN LITHUANIA



The exhibition “Unseen Lithuania” by the Lithuanian photographer, editor and author of documentary films Marius Jovaiša comprises a selection of photographs taken over more than one hundred hours of flight with the idea of immortalizing landscapes, cities, villages, monuments and natural phenomena in Lithuania.

This exhibition brings together only some of the 250 aerial photographs that Jovaiša published in the book “Unseen Lithuania” (<http://www.neregetalietuva.lt>). The selection contains large-scale photographs endowed with great artistic quality and the apt light and colour nuances, which the photographer captured from the sky, sometimes by means of unusual flying devices such as the aerostat.

“<..>Lithuanian landscape is impressive as much as the best-known and most-visited countries of the world. No, we have no snow-capped mountains, heat wheezing deserts, death breathing volcanoes or coral reefs coloured like in a children’s picture. But where else than in Lithuania could you see the mounds remembering heroic achievements, the narrow land thread between the lagoon and the sea, unique drawings of rivers’ meanders and lakes’ islands, the dunes washed by the restless sea, the villages nestling near the water, the impressive churches that look like ready to rise to space like rockets? Where can you see so many shades of the green colour? <...>

Lithuanian landscape, which has been carved by ice fields, tramped by drifters and aggressors, injured by wars, formed and nurtured by many generations, is equal in all over the world. Especially when you look at it from above. <...>

Everybody finds his way to get to know one’s native country. In order to understand how wonderful Lithuania is, I had to travel around half the world. I’m proud to live in such a beautiful land and I would like to give this feeling to my countrymen, guests and all people in the world who maybe will decide to come to Lithuania and to see everything themselves after this <...>.”

Marius Jovaiša