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# Sylvie Leblanc: H2O-scapes

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- Beautiful display of the relation of landscape and weather
- Philosophically grounded artistic studies of sky and water
- Contemplative photography of east Canadian Saint Lawrence River

*H2O-scapes* by Sylvie Leblanc (b. 1959) are photographic studies of the sky and the water, created between 2009 and 2023 in La Malbaie, Canada. All 57 photographs were taken from the same location and depict the various physical states of the water in and above the Saint Lawrence River. Sometimes the landscape is entirely shrouded in fog without any visible horizon line; sometimes the outlines of islands are visible. Dramatic cloud formations, drifting ice floes or soft waves: Leblanc's landscape remains the same and yet is presented in a multitude of different ways. Her photographs transform the dynamic play of the water molecules into a moment of stillness — and a space for dreams and contemplation.

Text in English and German.

**Sylvie Leblanc** was born in 1959 in Quebec, Canada and studied Literature at Université du Québec à Montréal and Comparative Literature, Université de Montréal. Since 1989, her focus has been on photography and is responsible for books on landscape and architectural photography for the Canadian Center for Architecture (CCA) museum in Canada. Since 2012, she has been working with the photographer Bettina Secker, including repro photography, text contributions and a variety of photo projects.







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