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It is critical that Canadian contemporary artists travel and exhibit their works internationally, *said Robert Sirman, Director of the Canada Council for the Arts*, and there is no more prestigious international venue in the visual arts than the Venice Biennale. The Council is proud to play a major role in the Canadian representation in Venice.

We are deeply proud and thrilled to be able to present Mark Lewis' new project at the Venice Biennale, *says Barbara Fischer*. Often focusing on singular moments in the contemporary urban or rural environment, his quietly majestic works offer a cinematic experience of time while remarking on the ruptures of history. They combine, in a new way, pictorial traditions with the genres and techniques of film to analyze both, and thereby offer poignant perspectives on the displacements that characterize modern life.

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