



Las Pozas steps & falls

INTERACTIVE DVD-ROM FOR PC/MAC

"Las Pozas: Steps and Falls" is an interactive virtual tour of the fantastical surrealist garden created by the iconoclastic British aristocrat and poet Edward James (1907-1984) in the Sierra Madre mountain village of Xilitla, San Luis Potosí, Mexico. A visionary patron and friend of the European surrealist artists, James supported projects by Salvador Dalí and sat for portraits by René Magritte and Man Ray while also amassing a major collection of surrealist art. In the late 1940s James moved to Mexico where, over a twenty-year period, aided by his friend and collaborator Plutarco Gastelum, as well as a score of local craftsmen, he built three dozen architectural "follies" next to a waterfall and several pools in the tropical forest. This interactive DVD-ROM contains over twenty 360° virtual tour panoramas with links to video clips that allow the exploration of this mysterious and fascinating *Garden of Eden*.

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Las Pozas: Los pasos y las caídas es un recorrido virtual interactivo del fantástico jardín surrealista elaborado por el arístócrata iconoclasta y poeta inglés Edward James (1907-1984) en Xilitla, San Luis Potosí, pueblo montañoso de la Sierra Madre mexicana. Visionario patrocinador y amigo de los artistas surrealistas europeos, James respaldaba los proyectos de Salvador Dalí y sirvió de modelo para retratos por René Magritte y Man Ray, acumulando al mismo tiempo una importante colección de arte surrealista. A fines de los 1940s, James se desplaza a México, donde durante un periodo de veinte años, con la ayuda de su amigo y colaborador Plutarco Gastelum, así como con la de decenas de artesanos lugareños, construye treinta y seis caprichos arquitectónicos al lado de una catarata y varios estanques dentro de la selva tropical. Este DVD-ROM interactivo contiene mas de veinte panoramas virtuales de 360° con vínculos a video-cortos que permiten explorar este misterioso y fascinante *jardín del Edén*.

DVD-ROM MINIMUM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

WINDOWS: 300 MHz Intel Pentium processor or compatible; 512 MB installed RAM; Microsoft Windows 98, ME, 2000, XP; 800 x 600 monitor with millions of colors; Windows-compatible sound card and speakers; combo drive.

MAC: 1.0 GHz power PC G3 or later; 512 MB installed RAM; MAC OSX; 800 x 600 monitor with millions of colors; combo drive or 8X super drive.

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OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

In order to use the virtual tours on this DVD-ROM you will need the QuickTime plug-in. A plug-in is a piece of software that enhances the functionality of web browsers such as Microsoft's Internet Explorer and Netscape Navigator. If you do not currently have the QuickTime plug-in installed on your computer, you will need to download it from the Internet and install it.

TO INSTALL QUICKTIME

To download and install the plug-in, go to www.QuickTime.com. The page that loads will contain a button or a link allowing you to download the most recent version of the QuickTime plug-in, usually referred to simply as QuickTime.

Currently in order to install QuickTime you must first download the installer. Save this file to your desktop so that you are able to find it easily. Next quit your browser application, but do not close your Internet connection. Double click on the QuickTime installer icon on your desktop and follow the instructions. You must install the version of QuickTime that allows you to view "QTVRs." This version is currently called the "Deluxe Version." Once you have completed the installation, re-open the Las Pozas DVD-ROM to view the virtual tours.

USING THE TOURS

To use the virtual tours, once the image loads, place your mouse in the center of the image, click the left mouse button, and while holding the button down, drag your mouse either to the left or to the right. The scenery in the window will rotate in the direction you moved the mouse to simulate the view that you would receive if you stood in one spot in the garden and rotated 360°.

When viewing the tours, if the icon changes into a "hand", you may click on the mouse to be transported to another location in the garden, or view a short movie that enables you to experience details of the garden.

You can zoom in and zoom out on the image. By pressing and holding the "shift" key on your keyboard you can zoom in. By pressing and holding the "control" key on your keyboard you can zoom out.

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