

The Aqueous State



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About

I encountered many references of what people were saying across millennia.

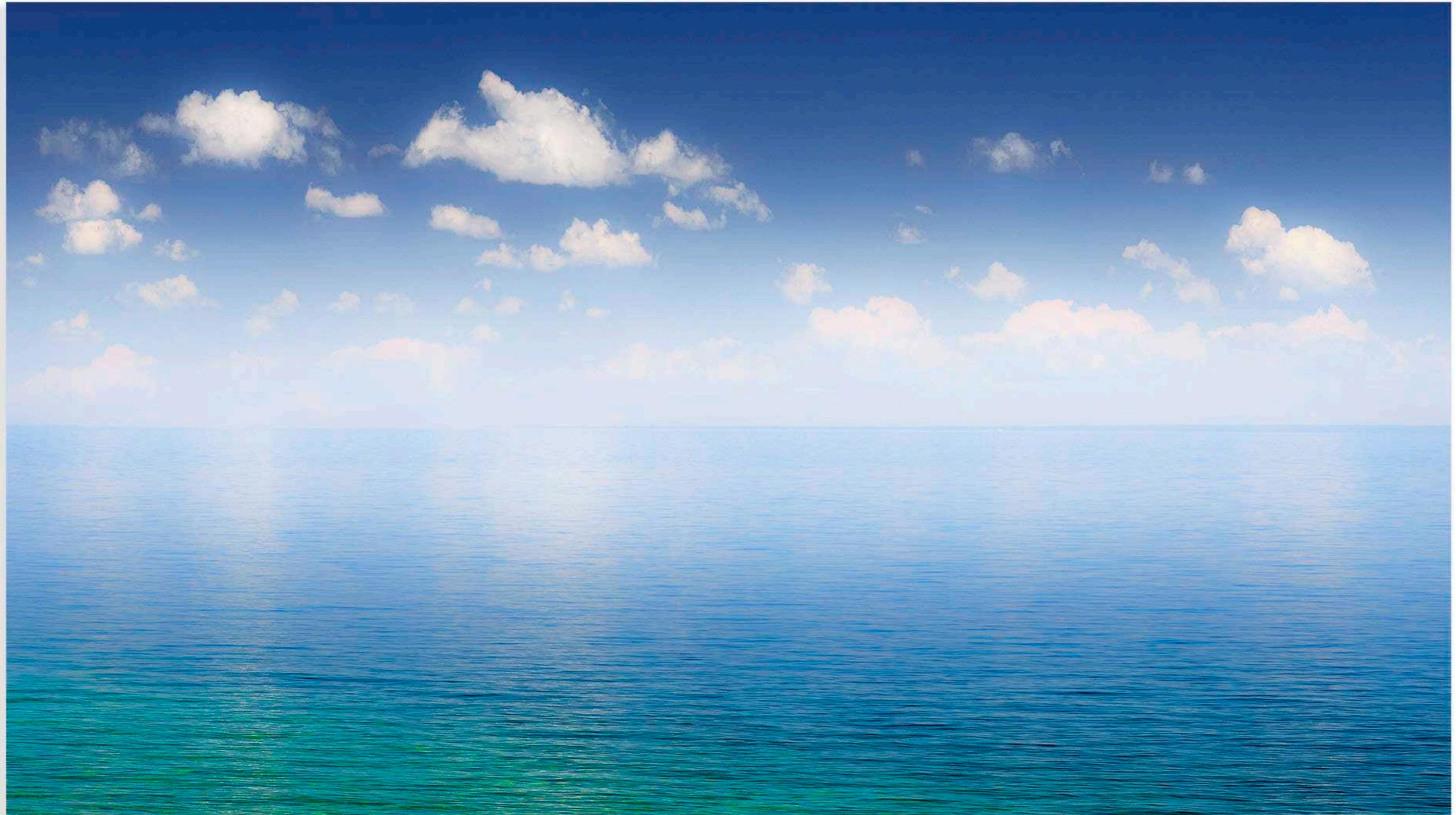
“Water is Life”.

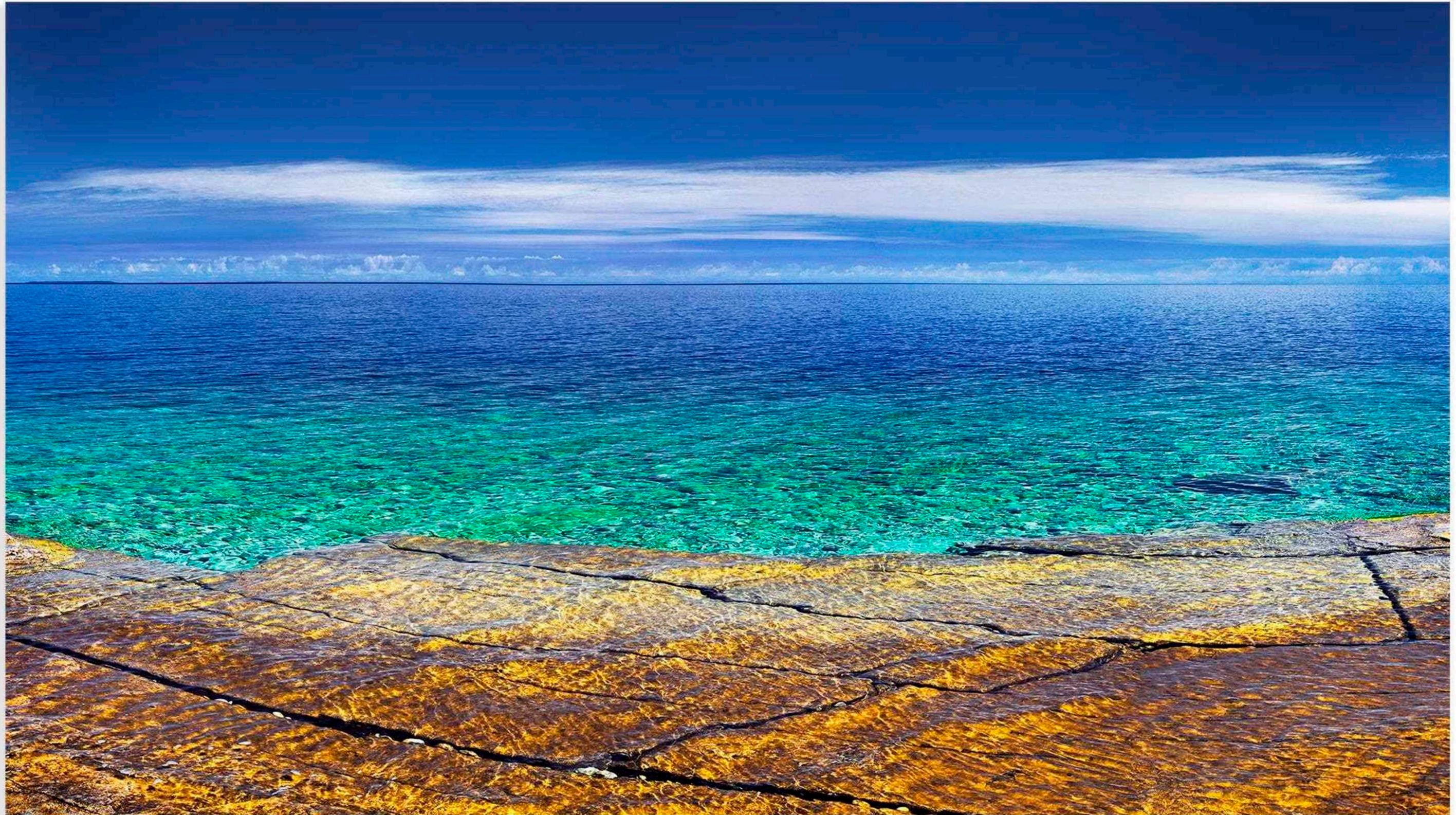
It was difficult for my mind to get a hold of facts in a cloud of so many. Like, for example, that the 96% mass of my body came from water and air. Difficult and overwhelming. As if it implied the needs to know the content, or the state of the sources that supply the building blocks of my life. It could be much easier to compartmentalize views of what’s around me. Unlike in the natural world, where everything seems to be so interconnected.

It’s even harder to accept that the properties of the water molecule, that my eye won’t even see, empower all Life’s cycles. Or that they warrant both my life’s existence and its expiration.

So, I embarked on trips to various environments within easy reach to explore the merit of what people were saying for so long.

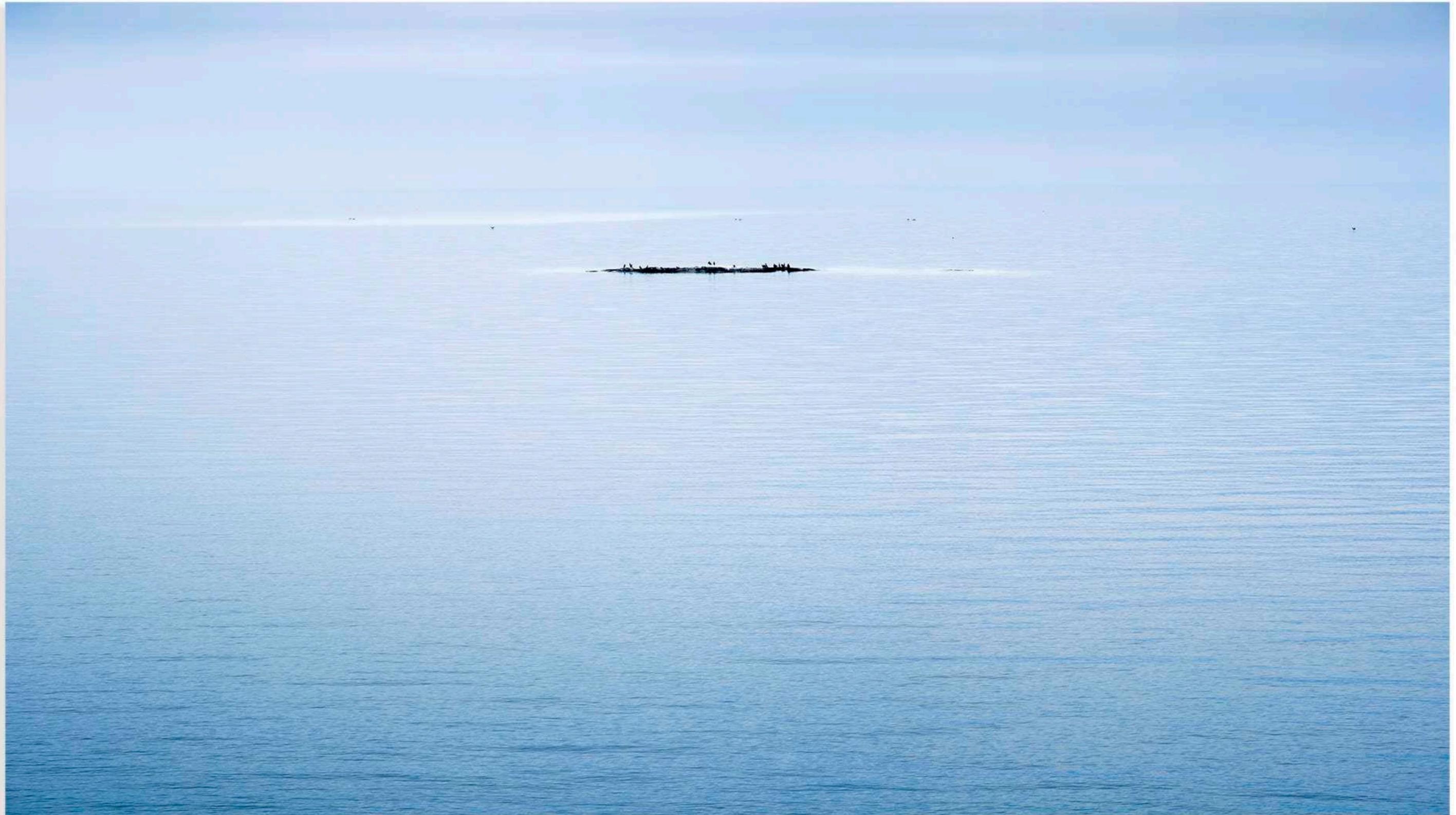
“In one drop of water are found all the secrets of all the oceans”.
Kahlil Gibran



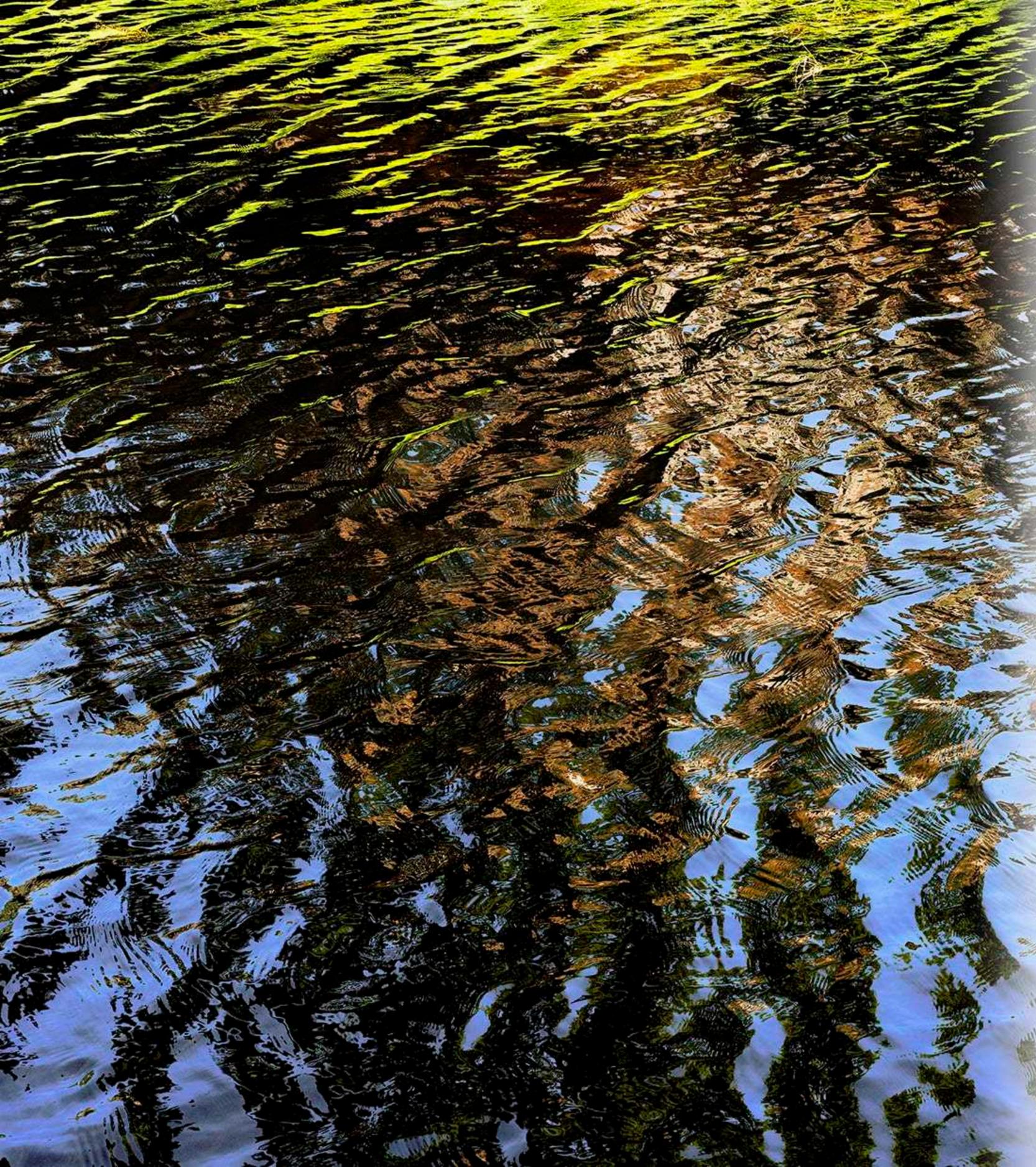








Reef (6)



Life is a flow

Invisible or not, perceived or ignored, fast or slow,
Life exists only as a motion.

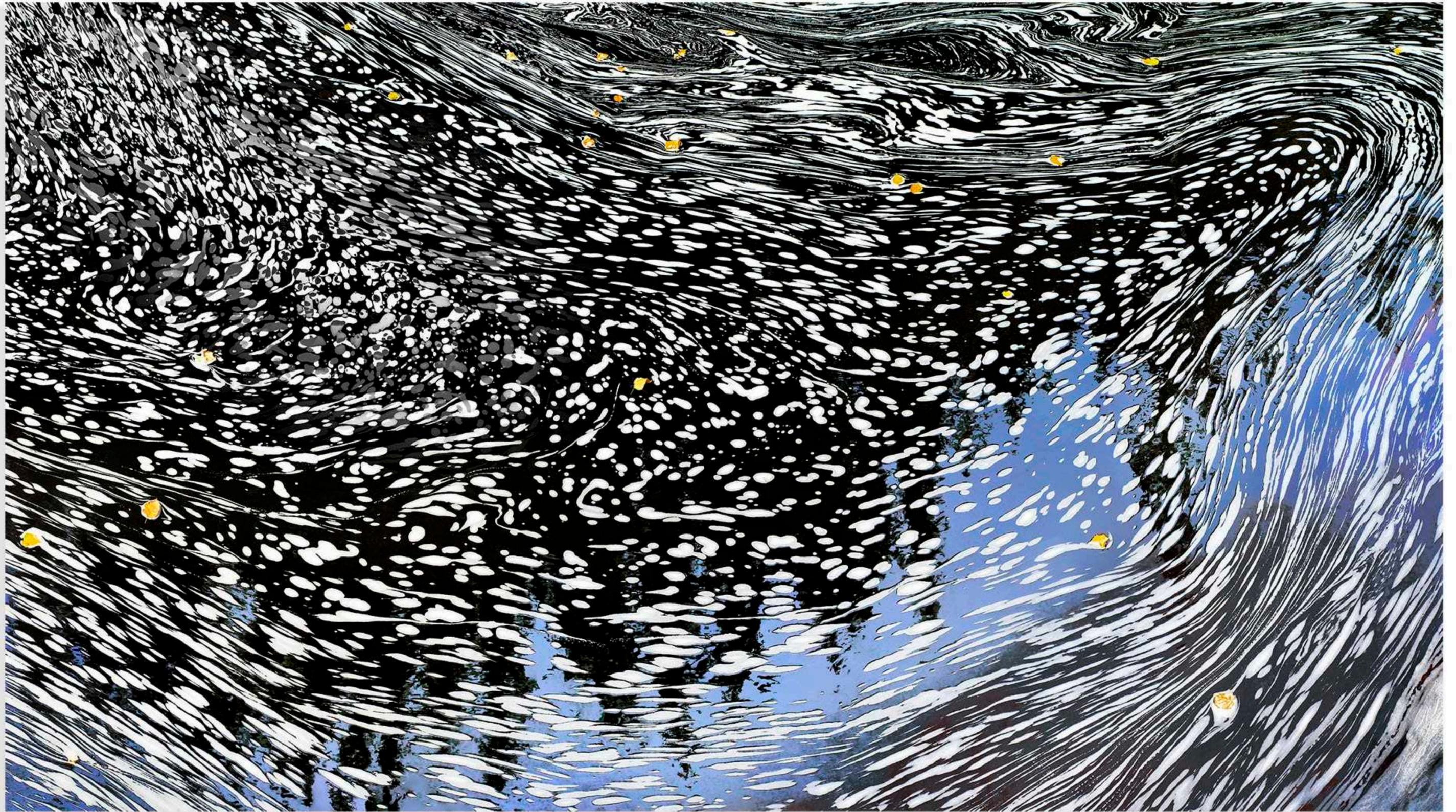
Of nutrients, energy, molecules, carbon, blood, oxygen,
neural signals, ideas, and, above all, water.

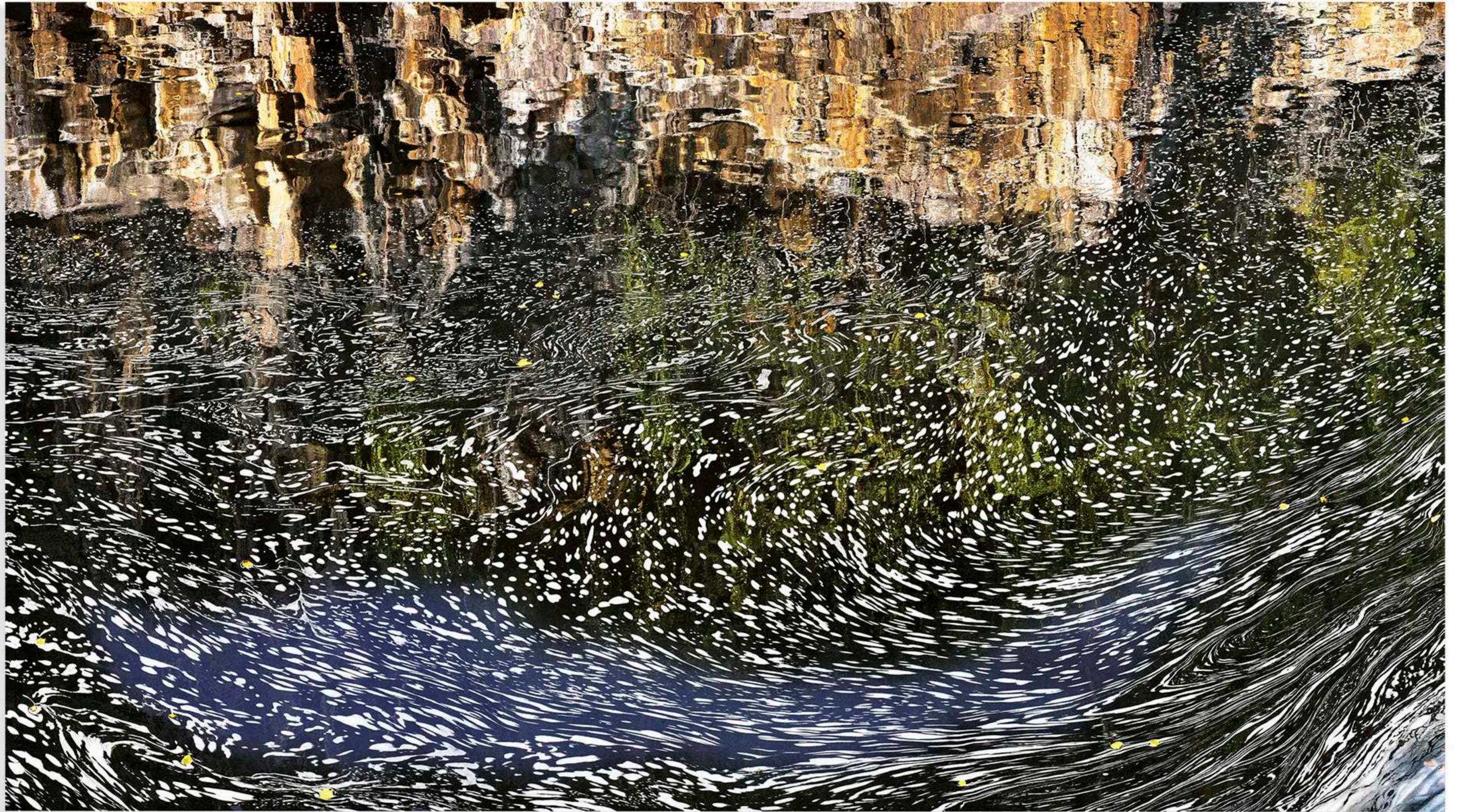
Between all these cycles, I, and my physical self exist.
Within a narrow margin of the internal temperature and
the symbiotic relationships with a trillion microbial life,
keeping my body within the range of livable conditions.

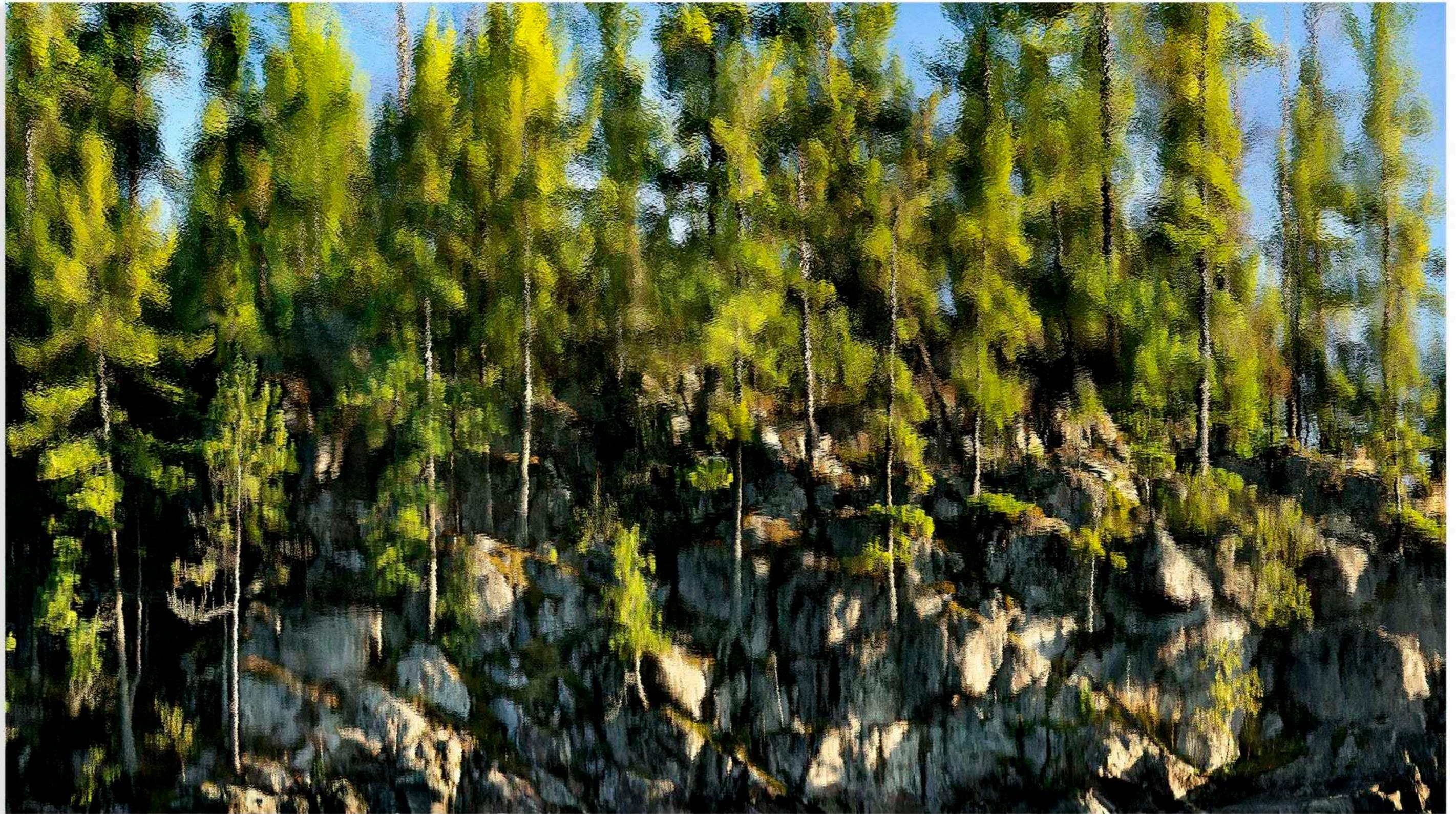
All of it registered only by the fringes of my awareness.

But what I saw in all encountered ecosystems was Life sustained
through a circular flow of nutrients, energy, carbon, wastes into the
resource's conversions, all facilitated by the water flow. Along the
myriads of symbiotic relationships between species, DNA codes, all
united by the same resolve as in my body.

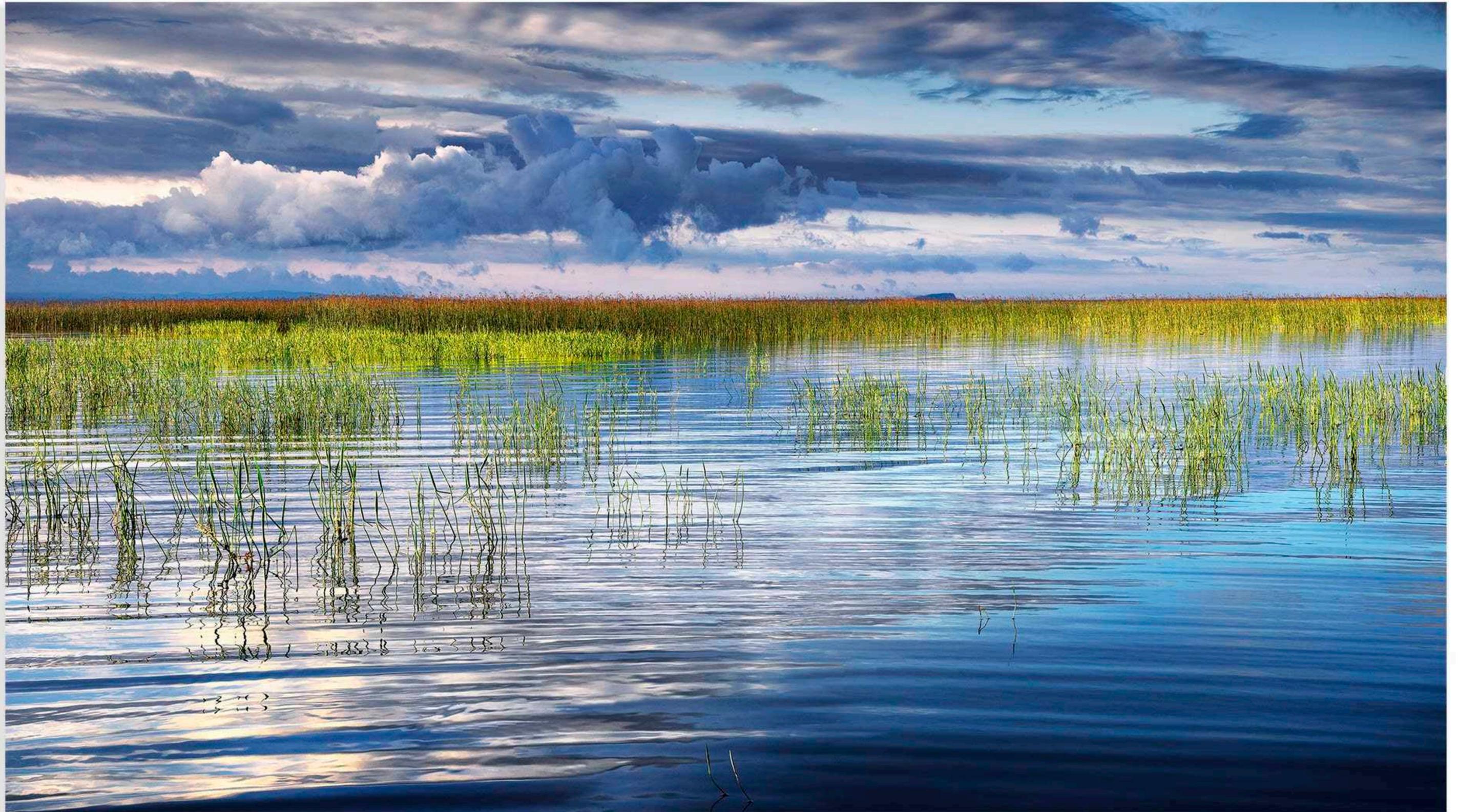
How could I miss seeing all Life's processes through the lens of their
mutual codependence and working relationships centred all around
water molecule properties?







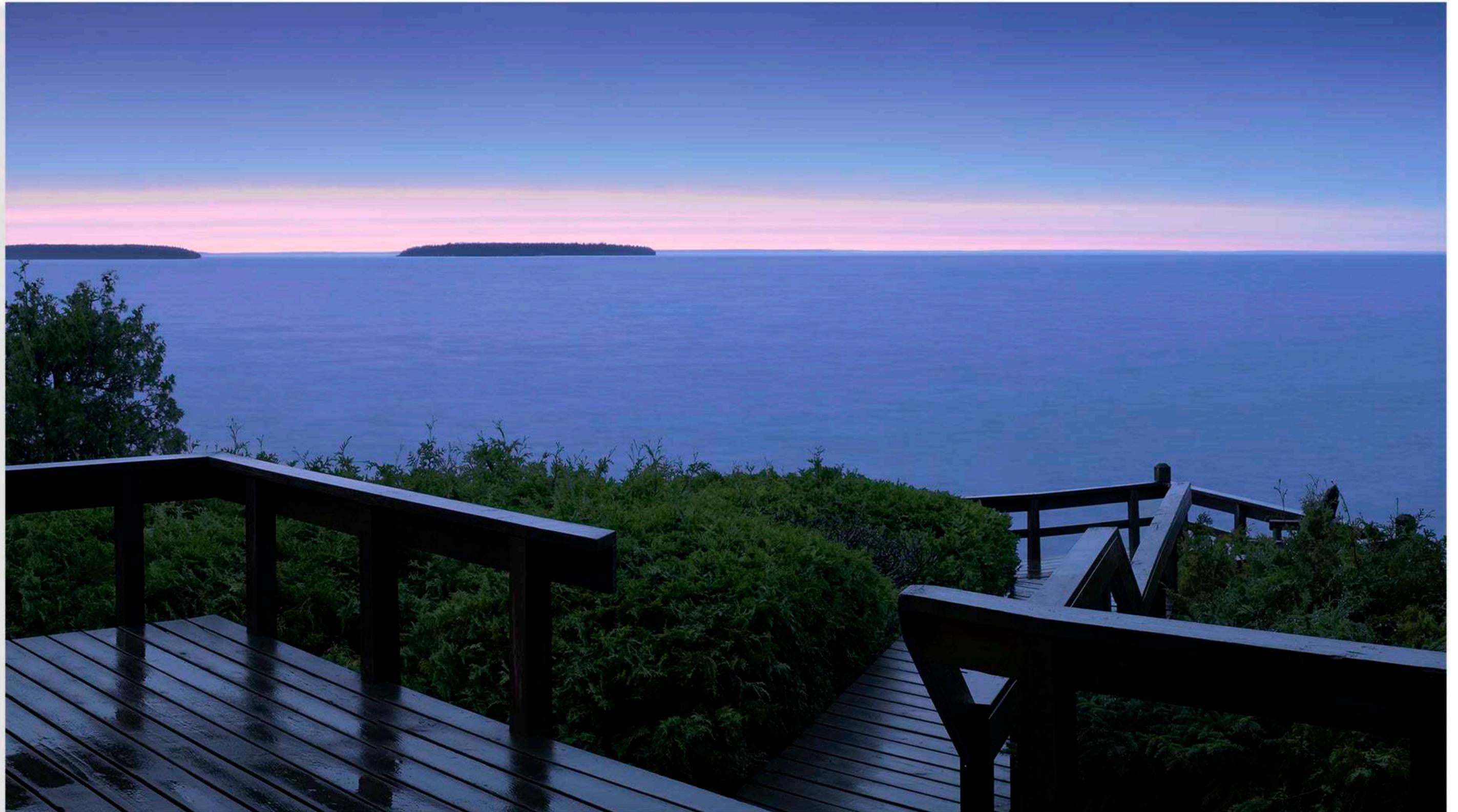




Grassy Shallows of Lake Superior (9)



Boodvein River (9)



I meditate often at water's edge. No, not about what lies beyond. I have seen enough I need to see, and the conquest of the distant lands riches is well behind us all. As the exploitation of nature processes without accountability. The liabilities are catching up with us, although nobody would dare to admit it.

What is ahead of us, I contemplate?

The old wisdoms must have extorted a heavy price, but recorded history is the winners' stories. Now, selling dreams was never easier.

What happens inside the steam engine our science has codified a long time ago. However, the arrogance is manmade pressure cooker without the safety valves. It won't accept that the invisible water molecule properties have control over the human's destiny. Or what awaits us is already trapped in earth's waters.

There never was, and never will be, a contest between the biological world and the physical one. It's in our heads only.



Polished Jade (9)

Evening Amber (9)

Morning Gold (9)

Topaz Blue (9)

