

Reeds, Ice Drops: Near Squamish, BC

The graceful, spreading shapes of these long floating reeds caught my attention from across the lake. As I got closer, I saw that tiny drops of ice had formed along their bases - beautiful crystal bells that clung to the stems and just touched the gently rippling water.

I photographed the reeds close up, composing the photo so they diverged chaotically toward the edges of the frame. I like the way the structure of this photograph almost blossoms - it seems to expand and draw in my eye as I look.

Three distinct planes interact in this photograph - the reeds, the sunken stems, and the surface of the water itself. The slight texture on the water hints at yet another - the sporadic spring breeze, gently rocking the reeds and making the hazy sunlight play over the surface of the lake.

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