

# Paintings with a Postmark



**Efim Rudminsky's paintings  
13-26 July at Odeks  
Plus Gallery**

*Paintings by Efim Rudminsky, architect and artist, will be exhibited this week at Odeks Plus Gallery in the Lavra. This recognised Ukrainian architect was the creator of the famed Verkhovyna Sanatorium in Zakarpattya region, Yuzhniy Sanatorium in Crimea and the Russian Embassy in Kyiv among many others. However, for many years Rudminsky wasn't known as an artist, since although he painted privately, he never thought of sending his pieces to an exhibition hall. "I guess, I can be blamed for that," he confessed. "But my concern with*

*art never depended upon the results, it's just my way of life." After his death, his wife, Klava, decided to reveal this part of his personality to the public. Since then, Rudminsky has become one of the most exhibited artists in Ukraine. This exhibition is hot on the heels of one which is on at the Scientists House until 15 July. "There are enough paintings to have three exhibitions at once," says Klava Rudminskaya. The artist worked on various themes, such as the Babiy Yar tragedy, religious figures, portraits and images. However, one of the most interesting sides of his art was his letter-paintings. 'Efim didn't like to write, he liked to draw. When he travelled somewhere, he sent small drawings instead of letters home. That was his way of communicating!' recalls his wife. His letter-paintings were exhibited in Odessa, his paintings travelled to Israel and from 13 July they're on display at Odeks Plus Gallery (Lavra Complex. 21, Sichnevoho Povstannya vul.) For further information call 290-4827*