<u>Concept – photography workshop</u>

My concept revolves around the idea of going back in time and using a portal into the past. This idea came from thinking about my past memories and the place where I used to live and grew up which had a large forestry area and reservoirs nearby that I used to visit all the time with my friends or my dog. I chose to take pictures here as I thought the area would be a good place to take photos but also because it brought up nostalgic memories which made me feel happy but sad at the same time as we moved because of unfortunate reasons. A lot of things changed after we moved. I lost touch with my friends that lived nearby and my dog passed away very shortly after moving into my new house, this makes these memories feel more faded due to the things I had lost or the things that had changed. A few months after my first dog passed away we decided to get our second dog which made life a lot better and exciting which made it feel more like starting a new chapter of my life. Taking photos in the forest reminded me of a memory of using an app with my friends which randomly generated coordinates to places around the area for you to go to explore. This let us find different places and things. I decided to use this app for this project as I wanted to see where it would lead me and if it would let me discover any interesting places. According to the creators the app is "an attractor of strange things". This is according to Wikipedia 09/02/2023. I thought this would relate well to my idea of portals travelling to the past so I decided to include portals in the photographs I took through photoshop. I think this gave the photos a mysterious and strange feeling to them.

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