

# BAU - XI GALLERY

GEORGE BYRNE

[b. 1976]

George Byrne is an internationally recognized photographer based in Los Angeles. Byrne creates large-scale photographs that depict architectural surfaces and landscapes as painterly abstractions. Borrowing from the clean, vivid clarity of modernist painting, he also references the New Topographics photography movement via a subject matter firmly entrenched in the urban everyday.

Byrne started photographing Los Angeles with a medium format camera in 2010. Byrne's close-crop photos, often taken from the middle of the street, show careful attention to the geometric fragments of his urban surroundings revealed in the subtle line and unexpected shadow which cut across pastel walled surfaces, and divide soft sky from gritty stucco, plastic and concrete. Byrne's work encapsulates not only the spirit of his adopted city's unique and diverse cityscape, but an aesthetic sensibility that has come to be ubiquitous with our globalized visual culture influenced by equal parts art history and Instagram.

George Byrne was born in Sydney, Australia in 1976 and graduated from Sydney College of the Arts in 2001. He has exhibited internationally in Italy, India, Australia, Los Angeles and New York. In 2010, Byrne relocated to Los Angeles, California where he continues to live and work today.

## EDUCATION

- 1996 - 98 Bachelor of Arts, University of Sydney, Sydney, AUS
- 1998 - 01 Bachelor of Visual Arts, Sydney College of the Arts, Sydney, AUS

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 SYNTHETICA - Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 2025 SYNTHETICA - Bau-Xi Gallery Dufferin, Toronto, ON
- 2021 INNERVISIONS - Olsen Gallery, Sydney, Australia
- 2021 POST TRUTH - Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto, ON
- 2019 POST TRUTH - Olsen Gallery, Sydney, Australia
- 2019 FEATURE - Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto, ON
- 2018 BLOCK COLOUR - Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, BC
- 2018 NEW ORDER - Olsen Gruin Gallery, NYC, NY
- 2017 COLOR FIELD - Olsen Gallery, Sydney, Australia
- BUSH STUDIES - Halcyon House residency, Sydney, Australia
- 2016 SOHO HOUSE - Artist in Residence, Los Angeles, CA

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2015 LOCAL DIVISION - Olsen Gallery, Sydney, Australia  
URBAN STUDIES - Contact Photo Lab, Los Angeles, CA  
2014 INSTANT - Sydney / Melbourne / Brisbane, Australia

## GROUP SHOWS

2022 'Architectural Elements,' Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto, ON  
2021 'Method IV,' Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto, ON

## SELECTED COLLECTIONS

C.A.A. Permanent Collection  
N.S.W. State Parliament Permanent collection  
Soho House Permanent Collection

## GRANTS / AWARDS

2022 Winner, International Minimalist Photography Awards  
2017 Winner, HEAD ON NSW landscape prize  
2016 Finalist, FOCUS Photo LA  
2015 Finalist, Head On Photo awards  
2014 Finalist, Head On Photo awards  
2012 Finalist, Head On Photo awards  
2010 Finalist, Head On Photo awards  
2002 Winner, Lavazza traveling scholarship Sydney  
2001 Winner, The Australian Young Photographer of the Year Award

## SELECTED MEDIA AND PUBLICATIONS

Aesthetica	British Journal of	Focus Magazine
Archinect.com	Photography	Fotografi Magazine
ArtInContext.com	Broadsheet.com	Future Now Magazine
Art Guide Australia	CanadianArtJunkie.com	House Notes Magazine
ArtZealous.com	CelebsGlory.com	Icon Magazine (UK)
Assemble Papers	CreativeBoom.com	ItsNiceThat.com
AssemblyLabel.com	Cultured Magazine	Jones Magazine
	ExceptionalAlien.com	L.A. Canvas

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Le Mile Magazine  
Les Nouveau Riches  
Limerick Post  
MementoApparel.com  
Monster Children  
Monthly Photography  
NO Magazine  
Noice Magazine  
OliverGrand.com  
Opumo Magazine  
Paper Sea  
PaulSmith.com

People Magazine  
PetaPixel.com  
Phlearn.com  
Picsart.com  
PPAPER Magazine  
Qantas Travel Insider  
Russh Magazine  
Seen Magazine  
ShotKit.com  
SonOfATailor.com  
Surface Magazine  
The Australian

The Denizen  
The Guardian  
The MANIFESTO  
The News International  
The New York Times  
The Phoblographer  
The Photographic Journal  
The Robb Report  
Virgin Australia  
Vogue Australia  
Whitewall Magazine