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DAVID LEVENTI

David Leventi (b. 1978) grew up in Chappaqua, NY and Nantucket, MA. In 2001, he received his Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography from Washington University in Saint Louis, Missouri. Leventi's most recently exhibited series explores the artist's passions for architecture and the arts in the form of an extensive, years-long study of opera house interiors from all over the globe. These large format photographs reveal a fascination with detail and design, density and space, all from a unique vantage point. From 2002 to 2008, Leventi assisted Robert Polidori in his studio and on international shoots as First Assistant, Studio/Archive Manager and Drum Scanner. His photographs have been widely published in TIME, Culture + Travel, Vanity Fair, T: The New York Times Style Magazine, BlackBook, Travel & Leisure, Best Life, Forbes, I.D. Magazine, New York, LIFE Magazine, Time Out New York, and Time Out New York Kids.

Education

2001 B.F.A in Photography, School of Art, Washington University in St. Louis, St.Louis, MO

Honors

2013 Kriti Gallery Artist Residency, Varanasi, India
2013 American Photography 29
2013 Guest Lecturer, Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA
2012 American Photography 28
2012 Photo District News Photo Annual
2010 Collect.Give
2010 Participant, Review Santa Fe, NM
2010 Guest Lecturer, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA
2010 Director's Selection for "Red," The Center for Fine Art Photography
2009 Critical Mass Top 50 Finalists by Photolucida
2009 Graphis Gold Photography Annual
2009 Guest Lecturer, School of Visual Arts, New York, NY
2008 Critical Mass Top 50 Finalists by Photolucida
2008 Communication Arts Photography Annual
2008 American Photography 24
2007 Photo District News Top 30 Emerging Photographers
2006 Guest Lecturer, School of Visual Arts, New York, NY
2000 Missouri College Media Association Photography Award

Solo Exhibitions

2022 "Intermission/Succession," Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
2021 "New York," Rick Wester Fine Art, New York, NY
2020 "Social Spaces," Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto, Canada
2020 "Length x Width x Height," Rick Wester Fine Art, New York, NY
2019 "Romania Revisited," Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto, Canada
2017 "Viewpoints", Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto, Canada
2015 "Opera", Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto, Canada
2015 "Operas and Prisons", Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
2015 "Opera", Rick Wester Fine Art, New York, NY
2013 "Palazzi", Bau-Xi Photo Gallery, Toronto, Canada

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- 2013 "Opera", PhotoEspana, Madrid, Spain
- 2012 "Bjoerling's Larynx", Gallery Stratford, Stratford, Ontario, Canada
- 2012 "Interiors", Bau-Xi Photo Gallery, Toronto, Canada
- 2012 "Portraits of Theatres", Open Arts Festival "Chereshnevy Les," Petrovsky Passage, Moscow, Russia
- 2011 "Opera Houses", Weitman Gallery, St. Louis, MO
- 2011 "Opera Houses", Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto, Canada
- 2010 "Opera", Blue Sky Gallery, Portland, OR
- 2010 "Opera Houses", Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA

Group Exhibitions

- 2021 'Focus on Photography,' Foster/White Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2020 "Art in the Time of Empathy," Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 2017 "Art.Now.2017," Hearst Galleries, Hearst Tower, New York, NY
- 2015 "1% Privilege in a Time of Global Inequality," East Wing Gallery, Dubai, UAE
- 2015 The Association of International Photography Art Dealers (Rick Wester Fine Art), New York, NY
- 2014 "Breaking Ground," Andrews Gallery, College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA
- 2014 Toronto International Art Fair (Bau-Xi Photo), Toronto, Canada
- 2013 "The Landscape Architecture Legacy of Dan Kiley," Boston Architectural College, Boston, MA
- 2013 Toronto International Art Fair (Bau-Xi Photo), Toronto, Canada
- 2013 Triennale di Milano, Milan, Italy
- 2011-12 Toronto International Art Fair (Bau-Xi Photo), Toronto, Canada
- 2011 "The Collector's Guide to New Art Photography Vol. 2," Chelsea Art Museum, New York, NY
- 2010 Art Miami (Arthur Roger Gallery)
- 2010 Toronto International Art Fair (Bau-Xi Photo Gallery), Toronto, Canada
- 2010 "IMAGE.ARCHITECTURE.NOW," The Julius Shulman Institute, Burbank, CA
- 2010 "Red," The Center for Fine Art Photography, Fort Collins, CO
- 2010 "EXPOSED: Critical Mass 2009," Photographic Center Northwest, Seattle, WA
- 2009 Paris Photo (Bonni Benrubi Gallery), Carrousel du Louvre, Paris, France
- 2009 "Live from New York...", Bonni Benrubi Gallery, New York, NY
- 2009 The Association of International Photography Art Dealers (Bonni Benrubi Gallery), New York, NY
- 2007 "The Brooklynites," powerHouse Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
- 2001 Des Lee Gallery, St. Louis, MO

Publications and Press

- Toronto Life* (June 2015): "The Gilded Stage"
- L'Oeil de la Photographie* (June 4, 2015): "Book: Opera by David Leventi published by Damiani"
- The Telegraph* (May 29, 2015): "What the prima donna saw," Rupert Christiansen.
- Out* (May 28, 2015): "Must-See: David Leventi's Opera," Ryan Lathan.
- Travel + Leisure* (May 12, 2015): "Photographing the World's Most Beautiful Opera Houses—

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Sublimely Crowd-Free," Erika Owen.
TIME, Vol. 185, No. 17 (May 11, 2015): "The Culture: Pop Chart"
The Wall Street Journal (May 7, 2015): "'Opera': A Photographer Documents from Center Stage," Lucy Gilmour.
PDN Photo of the Day (May 7, 2015): "Setting the Stage: David Leventi's 'Opera'"
EL PAÍS (May 6, 2015): "Grandes Templos De La Ópera Al Desnudo," Toni Garcia.
Elle Decor (May 2015): "What's Next: Curtain Call," Peter Terzian.
Departures (May 2015): "In the House," J.S.
Colossal (April 28, 2015): "Large Format Photographs Capture Ornate Opera Houses From Around The World," Kate Sierzputowski.
TIME Lightbox (April 24, 2015): "See the World's Most Impressive Opera Houses," Myles Little.
Observer (April 16, 2015): "Five Artists to Buy at the 2015 AIPAD Photography Show," Alanna Martinez.
Architectural Digest (April 2015): "Discoveries: Stagestruck," Julie Coe.
Slate (June 24, 2013): "The Stunning Grandeur of the World's Great Opera Houses"
TIME, Vol. 181, No. 15 (April 22, 2013): "Made In The USA," 35
Travel + Leisure (January 2013): "Saving Europe's Icons," 74-75
T: The New York Times Style Magazine (Travel Fall 2012): "Mission Viejo," 53-54
Travel + Leisure (June 2012): "Insider's Rome," 86-98
ESPN The Magazine (February 6, 2012): "Barclays Center," 18-19
ESPN The Magazine (November 14, 2011): "Grand Stands," 86-92
FT Weekend Magazine (October 22/23, 2011): "A Night At The Opera: Something Completely Magical," 14-29
Esquire, Vol. 156, No. 2 (September 2011): "The Memorial," 144-145
BlackFlash Magazine, Vol. 28.3 (Summer 2011): "Bjoerling's Larynx," 31-38
The New York Times Magazine (March 20, 2011): "SHOOT: The T.W.A. Terminal, Reborn"
China Life Magazine, No. 64 (March 2011): "Truth: Opera Houses," 96-103
Verve Photo (February 10, 2011): "Romania"
Toronto Life (February 7, 2011): "The One Thing You Should See This Week..."
From the Desk Of... (January 19, 2011): "From the Desk Of: David Leventi"
TIME, Vol. 177, No. 2 (January 17, 2011): "Where the Jobs Are," 35
Cartier Art, No. 26 (December 2010): "The Luxury of Grand Theater," 34-39
Plaisirs De Vivre, Vol. 21, No. 6 (December 2010): "Le Portraitiste Des Tensions." 164-175
F:22, (October 6, 2010): "David Leventi: El Artificio Oscuro"
Esquire Russia, (October 5, 2010): "Opera"
Ling (October 2010): "Viaje Al Corazón De La Ópera: Journey To The Heart Of Opera," 36-43
Prison Photography, (August 12, 2010): "David Leventi's Prison Houses and Opera Houses"
Lost At E Minor, (August 11, 2010): "Opera Houses by David Leventi"
NPR, (August 10, 2010): "Photos Of A Family Dream: Opera Houses Around The World"
Feature Shoot, (August 3, 2010): "David Leventi, New York"
PDN Photo of the Day, (August 3, 2010): "Romanian Athenaeum"
Photo TK TK, (July 29, 2010): "David Leventi: Opera Houses"
Fraction Magazine, Issue 16 (July 2010): "Romania Revisited"
Flak Photo (June 24, 2010): "Romania Revisited"
Oitzarisme (March 30, 2010): "Bjoerling's Larynx"
Flak Photo (March 24, 2010): "Opera"
Conde Nast Traveler (February 2010): "A Little Night Magic," 116-121
Conscientious (October 1, 2009): "Romania"
Flak Photo (August 18, 2009): "Romania"
Gallery Crawl, (June 30, 2009): "Hot Fun in the Summertime" and "Live from New York..." at

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Bonni Benrubi Gallery

Conde Nast Traveler (February 2010): “A Little Night Magic,” 116-121

Vanity Fair, No. 580 (December 2008): “My Desk: Richard Meier,” 166

Departures (November/December 2008): “The Annotated Apple,” 208-212

Culture + Travel, Vol. 2, No. 6 (Fall 2008): “North Stars,” 80-89

Communication Arts, Vol. 50, No. 4 (August 2008): “Photography Annual 49,” 66-67

Culture + Travel, Vol. 2, No. 1 (Winter 2007): “Romanian Holiday,” 75-91

T: The New York Times Style Magazine (2007)

BlackBook (June/July 2007): “Social Studies: Lafayette House”

Travel and Leisure, Vol. 37, No. 5 (May 2007): “Romanian Rhapsody,” 124-128

Photo District News (March 2007): “PDN’s 30 2007,” 58

Culture + Travel, Vol. 1, No. 2 (November/December 2006): “Remote Possibilities: Romania,” 84-89

Best Life (September 2006): “My Space: Bob Weinstein,” 84-85

Vanity Fair, No. 537 (May 2005): “Fanfair: Amy Sacco at Bette,” 100

I.D., Vol. 51, No. 7 (November 2004): “New + Notable: Knoll”

Monographs

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Collections

Sir Elton John Collection

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