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CHRIS SHEPHERD

Toronto-based artist Chris Shepherd (b. 1968, Hamilton, ON) uses the medium of photography to document the ever-changing urban landscape. Best known for his Subway series, his approach is directed by composition, colour, and form and largely influenced by contemporary architecture, painting, and sculpture. For the past decade, Shepherd has focused on capturing urban and pedestrian life in isolated moments of tranquility. Empty subway platforms, vacant storefronts, construction sites, forgotten industrial spaces, or simply the abandoned nooks and crannies of ordinary spaces all become subjects of interest.

Shepherd's distinctive street photography has more recently been complemented by studio work that continues to explore composition, colour, and form while simultaneously experimenting with the art of photography and the physical photograph as an object.

Shepherd's work has been exhibited across North America and is included in major corporate collections in Canada. Most recently a number of his works were acquired by the HBC Global Art Collection in New York.

Education

- 1983 Ryerson University, Radio & Television Arts, Toronto
- 1984 Waterloo University, Art History and Fine Arts Studio Practice, Waterloo
- 1985 McMaster University, Art History, Hamilton

Solo Exhibitions

- 2023 After Poetry, Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto
- 2020 Prohecies and Portents, Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto
- 2018 Incomplete Architectures, Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto
- 2016 *Construct*, Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver
- 2015 *Underground*, Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto
- 2014 *Wandering Again*, Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto
- 2013 *Wandering*, Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver
- 2013 *Wandering*, Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto
- 2011 *Learning*, Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto
- 2011 Supercrawl Performance of *The Clock*, Hamilton
- 2010 Nuit Blanche Performance of *The Task*, Toronto
- 2010 *Waiting*, Bau-Xi Photo, Toronto
- 2008 *Outside*, Gallery 44 Members Gallery, Toronto
- 2008 *Transitions*, Centennial College Centre for Creative Communications, Toronto

Group Exhibitions and Auctions

- 2022 'A Year in Review,' Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2019 SNAP!, Toronto, ON
- 2019 Vibe Arts Effect, Toronto, ON
- 2019 *Mixed Media*, Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2018 Art Toronto, Toronto, ON
- 2018 Vibe Arts Effect, Toronto, ON
- 2018 *Method*, Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, ON

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- 2018 Photorama, Gallery TPW, Toronto, ON
- 2017 Art Attack, Buddies in Bad Times, Toronto, ON
- 2017 Vibe Arts Effect, Toronto, ON
- 2017 Photorama, Gallery TPW, Toronto, ON
- 2017 Art Toronto, Toronto, ON
- 2017 SNAPI, Toronto, ON
- 2016 Annual Art Auction, Art Gallery of Mississauga, ON
- 2016 SNAPI, Toronto, ON
- 2015 SNAPI, Toronto, ON
- 2014 Toronto International Art Fair, Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto
- 2014 Photopia, Gallery 44, Toronto
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- 2013 Photorama, Gallery TPW, Toronto
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- 2012 Photopia, Gallery 44, Toronto
- 2012 Art with Heart, Toronto
- 2011 *Eat Drink Man Woman*, Art Gallery of Mississauga
- 2011 SNAPI, Toronto
- 2011 Armory Show, New York City
- 2010 Exposed, The Robert McLaughlin Gallery, Oshawa
- 2010 Art With Heart, Toronto
- 2010 MTA Arts for Transit Lightbox Exhibition, New York City
- 2010 SNAPI, Toronto
- 2009 *Looking Forward, Looking Back*, Contact Photography Festival, Gallery 44, Toronto
- 2009 *Thirtieth Anniversary Exhibition Main Gallery*, Gallery 44 Centre for Contemporary Photography, Toronto
- 2009 *Photopia*, Gallery 44, Toronto
- 2008 *Blink*, Centennial College Wallace Studios, Toronto
- 2008 *Members Exhibition & Sale*, Mercer Union, Toronto
- 2007 *Love/More Love* Members Exhibition & Sale, Mercer Union, Toronto
- 2007 *Members Exhibition & Sale*, Mercer Union, Toronto
- 2006 *In Transit*, Toronto Free Gallery, Toronto
- 2006 *Photopia*, Gallery 44, Toronto
- 2006 *Members Exhibition & Sale*, Mercer Union, Toronto

Teaching & Presentations

- 2008 Ad Lib: Artists Talk, Toronto Arts & Letters Club

Corporate Collections

Bank of Montreal
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HBC Global Art Collection, New York