

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

## GROUP SHOWS

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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	ItsNiceThat.com	Qantas Travel Insider
Archinect.com	Jones Magazine	Russh Magazine
ArtInContext.com	L.A. Canvas	Seen Magazine
Art Guide Australia	Le Mile Magazine	ShotKit.com
ArtZealous.com	Les Nouveau Riches	SonOfATailor.com
Assemble Papers	Limerick Post	Surface Magazine
AssemblyLabel.com	MementoApparel.com	The Australian
British Journal of Photography	Monster Children	The Denizen
Broadsheet.com	Monthly Photography	The Guardian
CanadianArtJunkie.com	NO Magazine	The MANIFESTO
CelebsGlory.com	Noice Magazine	The News International
CreativeBoom.com	OliverGrand.com	The New York Times
Cultured Magazine	Opumo Magazine	The Phoblographer
ExceptionalAlien.com	Paper Sea	The Photographic Journal
Focus Magazine	PaulSmith.com	The Robb Report
Fotografi Magazine	People Magazine	Virgin Australia
Future Now Magazine	PetaPixel.com	Vogue Australia
House Notes Magazine	Phlearn.com	Whitewall Magazine
Icon Magazine (UK)	Picsart.com	
	PPAPER Magazine	

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