

BRONEK KOZKA

Bronek Kozka lives and works in Melbourne Australia. Kozka's ongoing involvement in arts education, as a lecturer in the School of Art at RMIT (university), and his background in large scale commercial photography form the basis, for his art practice and his investigation of the portrayal of remembered moments.

Kozka has exhibited in several group shows and award/prize shows, these include the national portrait prizes of both the Australia (2007+2009) and UK (2008), Albury Art Prize (highly commended), SCAP08 (commended) Scap09, Monash Gallery of Art Award (2008+2009) and the Hasselblad Masters Award 2008. Kozka's solo show include "Picturing Community: Ugunja, Kenya" (2002), "Auschwitz Revisited" (2005) and "The Best Years of Our Lives" (2009), Kozka has also been invited to exhibit a solo show at the Grand prix international de photographie de Vevey in September 2010, winning the Broncolor Award for lighting, running in the same month Kozka's work is also to be shown at the Pingyao International Photo Festival in China at which he was honored with an award. In 2011 Kozka's work featured at Chobi Mela, the Bangladesh photo festival. Works have been exhibited in Korea (Hanmi Museum of Photography) (2012), Italy (2012), Singapore (SIPF) and China (Pingyao 2012+13+15).

Kozka's work was published by teNeues in the Hasselblad Masters Book Vol.1, they were "Sunshine House" & "Passion". Kozka's work was also featured in the Australian publication (Book), Hijacked: Australian & German Photography and Lumens Festival: Curating the Ancient City.

Kozka work is held in private and public collections in Australia and internationally. He is represented by MARS Gallery in Melbourne & Bett Gallery Hobart in Australia and by Clelia Belgrado (Visionquest) in Genova, Italy.

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EXHIBITIONS

- 2007 National Portrait Prize, National Portrait Gallery, Canberra, Australia
- 2008 Stanthorpe Art Prize Exhibition, Stanthorpe, Qld, Australia
- 2008 Moran Contemporary Photographic Award Exhibition, Sydney, Australia
- 2008 Sunshine Coast Art Prize
- 2008 National Portrait Prize UK, National Portrait Gallery, London
- 2009 National Portrait Prize National Portrait Gallery, Canberra, Australia
- 2009 Moran Contemporary Photographic Award Exhibition, Sydney, Australia
- 2009 "Inheritance" ACP exhibition, Australian Centre for Photography
group show with : Bindi Cole, Tamara Dean, Lee Grant, June Indrefjord, Ka-Yin Kwok, Tracey Moffatt, Fiona Morris, Aaron Seeto, Martin Smith and Toni Wilkinson
- 2009 "The Best Years of Our Lives" (Solo show), Bett Gallery, Hobart
- 2009 "The Best Years of Our Lives" , (Solo show) Shifted Gallery, Melbourne
- 2009 "Group Show 33", Humble Arts Foundation New York
- 2010 "Modern Narratives: Photography as Story Teller", Albury Regional Art Gallery
- 2010 Arte Laguna Prize Group Exhibition - Tese di San Cristoforo (Arsenale di Venezia)
- 2010 "Suburbia: The Australian Dream" - Grand prix international de photographie de Vevey
- 2010 "The Kitchen Sink" Group Show Mars Gallery, Melbourne
- 2010 "Brave New World" Group Show, Queensland Centre for Photography
- 2010 "Imagining the Everyday" Pingyao Photo Festival , China
- 2010 Hijacked Vol2, Exhibition , ACP, Sydney
- 2010 100 Portraits — 100 Photographers: Curated by Larissa Leclair and Andy Adams, FotoWeek DC, USA
- 2011 Chobi Mela , International Photographic Festival, Bangladesh
- 2011 "Pandora's Hippocampus", (Solo show), Bett Gallery Hobart, Australia
- 2011 Untitled exhibition, (Solo show), MARS Gallery, Melbourne, Australia
- 2011 "Myth, Memory & the ¼ Acre Block", (Solo show), Australian Centre for Photography, Sydney, Australia
- 2011 "New Worlds" (group show), The Museum of Photography, Seoul, Korea
- 2011 "The Australian Dream" (collaborative, 2 person show) , Visionquest Gallery, Genova, Italy
- 2012 "Myth, Memory & the ¼ Acre Block" + "The Living Room" (Solo show), Caloundra Regional Gallery, QLD
- 2012 "The Mask I'm Wearing" Pingyao Photo Festival , China
- 2012 "Digital Narratives" , Albury Regional Gallery, Albury NSW, Australia
- 2012 "reConstruction of Memory" , FotoFreo (core program+artists in residence), Turner Galleries, Perth, Western Australia, Australia.
- 2012 "Lumens Festival: Curating the Ancient City" Suzhou, China
- 2013 "Room 101" Pingyao Photo Festival , China
- 2014 "Ritual" (solo show) RMIT School of Art Gallery, Spare Room, Melbourne, Australia
- 2014 "Auschwitz Revisited" , Auckland Festival of Photography
- 2014 "The Museum of Abject Sentimentality" (group show) RMIT School of Art Gallery, Melbourne, Australia
- 2014 "Perfect:Synthetic Theme Parks" (solo show) Perth Centre for Photography, Perth, Australia
- 2014 "The Blokes Show" (group show) RMIT School of Art Gallery, Project Space, Melbourne, Australia

AWARDS

- 2007 National Portrait Prize finalist
- 2008 Hasselblad Master – incl. published book Hasselblad Masters Book
- 2008 Stanthorpe Art Prize finalist
- 2008 Moran Contemporary Photographic Award finalist
- 2008 Sunshine Coast Art Prize Finalist (Commended Award)

- 2008 MGA W & W Bowness Photographic Award Finalist
- 2009 Moran Contemporary Photographic Award semi-finalist
- 2009 National Portrait Prize Australia finalist
- 2009 Sunshine Coast Art Prize Finalist
- 2009 Albury Art Prize Finalist (Highly Commended Award)
- 2009 London ICC, short listed
- 2009 MGA W & W Bowness Photographic Award Finalist
- 2010 National Photography Prize (finalist), Albury Regional Gallery
- 2010 Grand prix international de photographie de Vevey – Broncolor Award
- 2010 National Portrait Prize Australia finalist
- 2010 Sunshine Coast Art Prize Finalist
- 2010 Pingyao International Photo Festival: Award Best International Photography
- 2010 MADC Award for Salvation Army Door Knock campaign
- 2011 Create Award, Quantum Create Awards 2011 – Photography
- 2012 Albury Art Prize (finalist)
- 2012 Alice Prize (finalist)
- 2012 Josephine Ulrick and Win Schubert Photography Award (finalist)
- 2012 MGA W & W Bowness Photographic Award Finalist
- 2012 Moran Contemporary Photographic Award finalist
- 2012 Woolahra Small Sculpture Award
- 2012 Substation Art Prize Finalist
- 2013 ArtsHub Award Innovation (Individual) for “Digital Narratives” (finalist)
- 2013 Excellent International Photographer Award Pingyao Photo Festival , China