



ALEX KISILEVICH

With two BFAs, one with honours in Cross-Disciplinary Media at York University and one with distinction in photography at OCAD, Alex was the 2009 national winner of the BMO 1st Art Invitational, and shows internationally. His images communicate feelings of isolation, mortality, & detachment, and may both be humorous & disturbing. His staged psychological dramas are quiet and pose more questions than can be answered.

Born on May 31, 1983 in Toronto, ON
Lives and works in Toronto, ON

EDUCATION

2011 MFA, Visual Arts, York University
2009 BFA with Distinction, Photography, Ontario College of Art & Design
2007 BFA Honours, Music, with Cross-Disciplinary Certificate in Digital Media, York University

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2014 *New Works*, Angell Gallery, Toronto
2013 Harbourfront Centre, Toronto (Currently on display)
2012 *New Works*, TIW Gallery, Toronto, ON
2011 *Alex Kisilevich*, Lianzhou Photography Festival 2011, Lianzhou, China
Kallima, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON
2009 *Talking to People is Easy*, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto, ON

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2013 *Locating Obscurity | Photography Now*, Angell Gallery, Toronto ON
Flash Forward 2012, Salt Edu, Portland & Flash Forward Festival, Boston
2012 *Constructed View*, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto, ON
2011 *So Many Letdowns Before We Get Up*, Platform, Winnipeg, MB
Art@Suite 500, Mile S. Nadal Management Centre, Toronto, ON
2010 *At the Boundary of the Self*, OCADU Graduate Gallery, Toronto, ON
Group Show 36, Humble Arts Foundation (<http://humbleartsfoundation.org>)
Summer Group Show, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON
One Hour Photo, American University Museum at Katzen Arts Center, Washington, DC
Dig It Up, Glendon Gallery, Toronto, ON
When the Dust Settles, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON
Flash Forward 2009, Griffith Museum of Photography, Boston, MA (April-May)
2009 *1st Art! Exhibition*, Museum of Contemporary Canadian Art, Toronto, ON
Flash Forward 2009, FotoWeek Central 4, Washington, DC
Flash Forward 2009, Lennox Contemporary, Toronto, ON
Your Own Adventure, Gales Gallery, York University, Toronto, ON
Looking Forward Looking Back, Gallery 44, Toronto, ON
Betwixt, Switch Contemporary, Toronto, ON

- 2008 *We Have a History*, XPACE, Toronto, ON
UpArt, Gladstone Hotel, Toronto, ON
Mise En Scene, O’Born Contemporary, Toronto, ON
When Lightning Strikes Twice, XPACE, Toronto, ON
Hotshots, Roundhouse - Steam Whistle Brewery, Toronto, ON
Exposed: Depictions, Discoveries, Discussions & Debate, Gladstone Hotel, Toronto, ON
- 2007 *Farrago*, 9 Ossington, Toronto, ON
Birdsong V.2, LEE Ka-Sing Gallery, Toronto, ON
Photography Show, Accolade Gallery, York University, Toronto, ON
Ace in the Hole, Zach’s Gallery & Eleanor Winters Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2006 *Grand Re-Opening Show*, Whippersnapper Gallery, Toronto, ON

AWARDS

- 2014 Visual Artist Grant: Emerging, Ontario Arts Council
2013 Project Grant, Canada Council for the Arts
2012 Jeune Tête D’Affiche, Dazibao
2010 Portfolio Reviews Exhibition Award, Contact Photography Festival
2010 Exhibition Assistance Grant, Ontario Arts Council
- 2009 Graduate Scholarship, York University
National Winner of 1st Art!, BMO Financial Group
Dorothy Hoover Award, OCAD
Photography Faculty and Friends Award, OCAD
Eight Elm Photo Video Scholarship, OCAD
- 2008 Gallery 44 Scholarship, O’Born Contemporary
Photography Faculty and Friends Award, OCAD
Melville P. White Scholarship, OCAD
Snap!Star, part of Magenta Foundation and Snap 08
- 2007 Dean’s Prize for Excellence, York University
2006 Kondor Fine Arts Scholarship, York University

PUBLICATIONS

- 2011 *BlackFlash Magazine*, Winter
2010 *Flash Forward 2010*, Magenta Foundation
2009 *Canadian Art Magazine*, Fall 2009
Flash Forward 2009, Magenta Foundation
1st Art! 2009, Exhibition Catalogue
Post-Secondary Photography Schools, PhotoEd. Fall issue 26
Images of the Year 2008, American Photo
- 2008 *The Altered Image*, PhotoEd. Spring issue 22
Snap!08-Best of Canada Edition, Exhibition Catalogue

ARTIST LECTURES

- 2012 TIW Gallery, Toronto, ON
2010 Université du Québec à Montréal, Montreal, QC
York University, Toronto, ON
- 2009 Harbourfront Centre, Toronto, ON
Gallery 44, Toronto, ON

COLLECTIONS

Kiyosato Museum of Photographic Arts, Japan
BMO Financial Group
York University
Private Collections

BIBLIOGRAPHY

- 2012 Alex Kisilevich: The Camouflaged Man, Galo Magazine, April 27, 2012 (Online Article)
- 2011 Alex Kisilevich & Geoffrey Pugen, esse, No 73 – Intercourse: Art as transaction, Fall
Alex Kisilevich – Art, Online Interview, OTM Magazine, Issue 9, Fall
Art Agenda: CONTACT reviews and other photography shows around Toronto, Online Review, May 11
Alex Kisilevich – To Do List, Toronto Life, May
- 2010 Picture Perfect, enRoute, September
Artist Profile: Alex Kisilevich, Online Interview, Now Magazine, August 8
Le temps du miroir, Liberation, Parisian Periodical, June 1, 2010 & August 4
Contact Photography Festival, Television Interview – Fashion Television, May 8
Editor’s Pick, Where Magazine, April
- 2009 Alex is Back, Online Review, XPACE, November 3
Alex Kisilevich in BMO 1st Art! and Flash Forward 2009, Online Review, Flight + Hotel, October 15
Bravo!News, Television interview - Bravo!, October 19
Best Bet - Eye Weekly, featured image from *...and then you die*, October 8
Alex Kisilevich Named National Winner, online profile, Ontario College of Art & Design, August 31