

PETR JEDINAK

Fine Art Photographer

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FAMILY

Petr Jedinak had no artist in his family. His ancestors came to Prague as impoverished farmers and his parents became the first generation to get college diplomas. Jedinak's mother became a prominent nuclear engineer. At 5 years old, she gave him his first camera and told him we was going to be a star.

EDUCATION

As a child prodigy, Petr was shooting and developing films in his home studio already at 6 years old. At high school, he took a 3 year evening course in fine art photography. He graduated University of Chemistry and Technology in Prague where he held his first solo show at the college club in 1984, at 21.

STYLE

Petr creates fine art photography in black and white on two distinct media: digital and glass plates (ambrotype). The most common subject of his artwork is portrait, human figure and the nude, while the source of its power lies in emotion. Jedinak developed a particular style of authentic intimate portraiture that borders erotica. Despite his often shocking choice of subjects, his treatment is always classical in nature.

Petr traces down the origins of his signature style to three sources: Josef Sudek, the grandfather of Czechoslovak photography known for his mystical minimalism; Petr Joel-Witkin whose old time contemplation reflects on mortality and decay, and, perhaps most ostensibly, Nobuoshi Araki - the Japanese icon of playful obscenity.

EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 | Knupp Gallery Prague
- 2018 | Dancing House Gallery, Prague
- 2018 | Prague International Art Fair
- 2017 | Dvorak Sec Contemporary, Prague
- 2017 | Analogue, Prague
- 2016 | Litera, Prague
- 2016 | Dolmen, Prague
- 2015 | Prague Photo Festival
- 2012 | Le Centre Tchèque, Paris
- 2011 | Prague Quadriennal

Selected recent shows

During 1990's and 200's his portraits were circulated among as many as 300 000 subscribers of Reflex magazine weekly.



GALLERY REPRESENTATION

Ales Knupp Gallery | Prague

Dvorak-Sec Contemporary | Prague

Katerina Dostalova | Olomouc

PUBLICATIONS

HOLY BODY

Petr Jedinak | 2017

Selection of Jedinak's best nudes and erotica was published as a collector's treat in a limited edition of 50 copies.

BEAUTY ONLY

Smršť | 2017

Best of best pictures from 12 years of Jedinak's photodiaries summed up his transition into fine art photography.

PATHS TO PORTRAIT

Computer Press | 2003

Best of from his 17 years as a press photographer became an instant classic that set a new standard for young photographers to imitate.

His photography also appeared in over 20 publications in several countries.

PRESS

Jedinak's shows gained considerable coverage and controversy and is reported on a regular basis by local and national media (radio, TV, newspapers) in Czech Republic.

His photography has been reprinted by Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung and New York Times.

COLLECTIONS

Museum of Photography, Jindrichuv Hradec

AWARDS

Petr Jedinak was included in "100 Icons of Czech Photography" in 2017

EDUCATOR

Petr is sought after as a lecturer. He held professor positions at 3 different art colleges in Prague since 1990's. He is a regular speaker at photography conventions and hosts his own studio workshops. He also demonstrates the wet plate collodion process on live shows.

COLLECTORS

Zdenek Ungrad, Panflex owner, Prague

Ondrej and David Neff, journalists, Prague

Mila Bugtcher, Hell.cz owner, Prague

Petr Holy, Cultural Ambassador to Japan, Tokyo, Japan

Stepan Kafka, publisher, Prague

Rudolf Jelinek, IT Consultant, Prague

Lucie Loos, Fine Art Agent, Shanghai, China

Pavel Scheufler, Photography Historian, Prague

Pawel Prokesz, business owner, Warszawa, Poland

