International 5th Biennial of Fine Art and Documentary Photography to be held in Barcelona in October

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This international event brings together 700 works from 280 photographers, originating from the following 35 countries:

Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Island, India, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxemburg, Mexico, Holland, Poland, Norway, Romania, Russia, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, and United States.

Special invited artist at this Biennial is internationally acclaimed and exhibited fine art British photographer Julia Fullerton-Batten while the keynote speaker at the Gala dinner will be Julia Dean, American photographer, educator, writer, executive director and founder of the Los Angeles Center of Photography.

As many works are selected through the Julia Cameron Award for Women Photographers, 75% of the exhibitors in this edition of the Biennial are women.

Kelly Chuning, SUU candidate for a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography, will have her photography shown in this exhibition. She said, "I originally started photography when I was in elementary school, I made money entering my photographs into the Iron County Fair when I was young, but it was not until Fall 2015—when I fell ill and had to take a semester off between high school and college—when I began pursuing photography on a serious level. Ever since, I have pursued my photography with a vigorous passion."

The 5th edition of the Biennial of Fine Art & Documentary Photography takes place at the Space Nau Bostik, an abandoned factory transformed at the initiative of Catalan architect Xavier Besana to promote culture and leisure activities in the Sagrera quarter of Barcelona.
The exhibition showcases the selected works according to themes and categories across 11 different rooms on a total of 18,300 square feet (1,700 square meters).

In addition, several activities related to photography are being organized within this 5th edition of the Biennial, such as workshops, portfolio reviews, and conferences.

The mission of the Biennial of Fine Art & Documentary Photography is the recognition and exhibition of new talents in artistic and documentary photography as well as the overall promotion of photography.

The Biennial manifestation is coordinated by UK-based organization The Gala Awards.

Since its first occurrence in Madrid in 2010, the Biennial has become an event of international relevance, spreading contemporary artworks of different schools of thought, as well as experimental projects, emotional and political manifestations.

The Biennial exhibits images curated among the winners of the competitions organized by The Gala Awards, such as the Julia Margaret Cameron Award for Women Photographers, The Pollux Awards, The Documentary Jacob Riis Award, and the Black & White Charles Dodgson Awards.

Works to be exhibited are selected by jurors of international prestige in the field of photography, publishing, and curation such as Mary Ellen Mark, Chris Steele-Perkins, Steve McCurry, Susan Zadeh, Philip Brookman, Kim Weston, Carol McCusker, Stephen Perloff, Chema Madoz, and Amber Terranova, working jointly with the Biennial's curators, Julio Hirsch-Hardy and Analy Werbin.

Each Biennial of Fine Art & Documentary Photography is held in a different city. Previous editions were organized at the Circle of Fine Arts, Madrid (2010), the Borges Cultural Center, Buenos Aires (2012), the Heritage Museum, Málaga (2014), and the Palazzo Italia, Berlin (2016).

For more information visit: Barcelona Foto Biennale

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