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EDUCATION

B.A. Hons Degree: Digital Photography

2004-2007

Full time digital photography course including studio technique, advanced Photoshop skills, large scale printing, video editing and studies relating to the media industry. South Bank University, London.

Black and White Photography Course

2001-2004

Including advanced darkroom technique, developing, printing and special effects. Hackney, London.

Design School

1997-2000

Full time course specializing in photographic art. Charles De Gaulle College of Design, Chaumont, France.

OTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINNING

Part time English literacy course, Peckham, London.

2002-2003

Advanced Computer proficiency: Photoshop, Illustrator, Indesign, Quark Xpress, Scala, and Macromedia Flash.

1999-now

Advanced Computer proficiency: Microsoft Word, engineering, networking.

1999-now

WORK EXPEREIENCE

Simulacra Studio, Brixton, London.

2007-now

Recently founded partnership providing Classic and Digital studio hire and photography, Photoshop Tuition, Web Design, Graphic Design and Photography assistance.

Akademi 2006-now

Official photographer for Arts Council funded South Asian Dance organization.

Freelance Photographer/Designer

2000-now

Portfolio conception for artists: portraiture, still life, live event. Creation of promotional materials: flyers, posters, multimedia display and web design.

Bassline Circus

2005-2008

Official Photographer for Arts Council funded circus tour.

East London Art and Environment project

2003-2004

Running darkroom workshops, art exhibitions, and administrating computer network. Voluntary position.

Stage Miracles

2003

Equipment installation (speakers, cables, video, props) for big music events (Rolling Stones, Tom Jones, Red Hot Chilli Peppers).

Inner Terrestrials

2001-now

Photographer and interpreter for Inner Terrestrials (Rock band) throughout Europe.

Lewisham Council

2001-2002

Crew Supervisor, Mobile Caretaker.

Southwark Council 2001

Landscape Gardener.

Lewisham Council 2000-2001

Crew Supervisor, Mobile Caretaker, Lumber Removal.

Bar le Foch 1998-2000

Weekly organisation of local weekend concerts. Booking of bands and venues, promotion, equipment installation (speakers, cables).

Hannover Trade Fair

August 1998-1999

Computer system maintenance for Scala Infochannel show for metal company in Hannover, Germany.

Sodival June 1998-1999

Maintenance work, sales, bottling wine in Joinville, France.

PUBLICATIONS AND EXHIBITIONS

Exhibitions:

- -T.A.A 2010, London.
- -Something Beautiful 2010, Cambridge.
- -London vs Toulouse 2010, Toulouse.
- -The Red Show 2009, London.
- -Set Yourself Free 2009, London.
- -Wall Developments 2008, London.
- -Winner of 'The Lomography Award' 2008, Austria.
- -Contact Sheet 2008, London.
- -Oggle Everything Art Fair 2008, London.
- -Interfere at Deptford X 2007, London.
- -Concrete Allotment II 2007, London.
- -Set Yourself Free 2007, London.
- -Oggle Everything Art Fair 2007, London.
- -Smog Visionaries 2007, London.
- -SFAC Gallery 2007, San Francisco.
- -The Museum of Advertising 2007, Paris.
- -Re:process 2006, London.
- -The Foundry 2006, London
- -Novas 2006, London.
- -Inspired Art Fair 2006, London.
- -491 Gallery 2006, London.
- -The Foundry 2006, London.
- -Express Yourself 2006, London.
- -Petit Mort 2006, London.

- -Winner of 'The Ludlow Award', 2005.
- -Inspired Art Fair 2005, London.
- -Manifesto 2005, London.
- -RampArt 2005, London
- -Raw Art Festival 2005, London.
- -Diorama Art Gallery 2004, London.
- -East London Art and Environment Open Day 2004, London.
- -RampArt 2004, London.
- -Standpoint Gallery 2003, London
- -Ely Cathedral 2003, Cambridge.
- -L'ancien Bibliotheque 2000: 'Made in England' book release, France.

Publications:

- 'Bowen's Magazine Liebook' 2009, London.
- 'Time Out' Magazine 2008, London
- 'Time Out' Magazine 2007, London.
- 'Transition Tradition' Magazine 2007, London.
- 'Soap Life' Magazine 2006, London.
- 'The Big Issue' 2006, London.
- 'The Stage' Newspaper 2005, London.
- 'Hackney Gazette' Newspaper 2005, London.
- 'Photo' Magazine 2000, France.
- 'Haute-Marne' Newspaper 1998 and 1999, France.
- 'L'affranchie' Newspaper 1998 and 1999, France.

Books:

- -'Photo Strip' to be released in 2009, U.K.
- -'The Fetish Cookbook' to be released 2008, U.K.
- -'Words & Pictures' to be released 2008, U.K.
- -'Lomosexual: A Tribute to L.O.M.O. Cameras' released September 2007, U.K.
- -'Made in England' released 2000, France.

Clients:

-Polo Ralph Lauren, NIM, Eurostar, Art Council, Akademi, Istock, Virgin Music, Basseline circus, Quintessentially Group, alamy, Artscape.

LANGUAGES

-French is my mother tongue but I speak English fluently.

Francois Boutemy's fascination with photography has grown into a daily occupation, a natural conclusion arising from a childhood interest in the use of imagery as commentary on the World around him. In particular, becoming 'graphically literate' has perhaps evolved from Dyslexia, the aptitude and development of expression through visual images came far more naturally than translating meaning through written words, in this sense it is Francois' first language. Based in London, in residence at Simulacra Studio he is never short of subject matter and stimulation. Drawing on life experience, he has always been particularly taken with the challenge and inspiration of street photography - the beauty of capturing fragile and temporal moments, and portraying them through an abstracted lens never fails to satisfy

Evidence of the inherent diversity in his work can be found by looking at clients & co conspirators alike, ranging from Ralph Lauren to Freyagushi, Peter May, chocolatier William Curley, Bridalwear designer Sanyukta Shrestha, Bassline Circus, Asian Dance company Akademi and an entire chorus line of performers, sculptors, designers, party organisers, video makers, Burlesque dancers and the occasional Dominatrix!

Furthermore Francois continues to act as tour photographer for Punk band Inner Terrestrials, having already chaptered over 10 years on the road, with an upcoming Tour of Japan in April 2010, there is a wealth of material which will inevitably culminate in a book.

Francois has released two new books in recent years; 'The Fetish Cookbook' (2009) and 'Words and Pictures' (Released 2008) another collaborative publication 'Photo Strip' is currently in development. Previously released titles in print are, 'Made in England' (2000) and 'Lomosexual: A Tribute to L.O.M.O. Cameras' (2007).