

PhotoFoto Festivals

Photo-Festivals is launching its residency during Les Rencontres de la Photographie in Arles

Photo-Festivals believes that mobility is an intrinsic part of the creative artistic process that can truly enhance and enrich an artist's work.

Photo-Festivals is therefore thrilled to launch its first residency program with Colombian artist Juan Pablo Echeverri, who we have invited to Les Rencontres Internationales de la Photographie d'Arles, (France) from 7th to 12th July 2008.

Juan Pablo will undertake an intensive five-day residency in Arles, during which he will share a house with other photographers and make contact with numerous renowned practitioners in the field of contemporary photography.

The artist will be producing a work during his short immersion in this major European festival dedicated to photography.

photo-festivals.com, a new website committed to helping build an international community of photographers

Upcoming on photo-festivals.com you will find information about hundreds of festivals dedicated to photography throughout the world, photography workshops and portfolio reviews.

Photo-Festivals will also offer different services to promote the development of an international community of photographers and enable them to expand the diffusion of their work worldwide.

Write to info@photo-festivals.com to find out more about the project and to be the first to know the launch date of the website the website.

Juan Pablo Echeverri Muñoz

Born in Colombia in 1978, Juan Pablo Echeverri studied Visual Art in Bogota.

Now a photographer and filmmaker, Juan specialises in self-portraits. He has accumulated eight years' worth of portraits of his ever-changing appearance, documented by having his photo taken at a photo-booth every day.

His work strongly explores the themes of identity and gender in the public and private realm, and the way in which individual identity develops over time.

In Europe, his work has been recently exhibited at *The Photographers' Gallery* (London), *Site Gallery* (Sheffield) and *Impressions Gallery* (Bradford), *K3 Studiospace* (Zurich), *Círculo de Bellas Artes* (Madrid).

Juan Pablo will be showing his new works at *La Capella, Institut de Cultura de Barcelona* (August 2008), and *Galería Cu4rto Nivel, Bogota* (October 2008). In addition, he will be holding a two-week workshop at *Iniva (Institute of International Visual Arts)*, London (June 2008) and a two-week workshop at *AIW:A - Artists' International Workshop, Lebanon* (August 2008).

Please check www.photo-festivals.com in July to follow Juan Pablo's experience in France and to see the changing face of the artist!



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