

ALINA KISINA, visual artist photographer

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"...Whilst there is a longing in the images, Kisina is too young to be nostalgic. She is an image-maker embarking on her artistic journey, wide awake to her task and too driven to dwell on distances to lose sight of the road ahead. These photographs, which glow and pulsate, help plot the way."

Malcolm Dickson

Director of Street Level Photoworks , Glasgow

"...Kisina has developed a half-abstract, half-representational photographic style that brings out the spirituality of the mundane objects and situations she photographs using dynamic formal means that are no longer compatible with postmodern irony..."

Raoul Eshelman (Munich)

From Performatism in Contemporary Photography: Alina Kisina (Series "New Critical Approaches"). Please visit ARTmargins.com to read the full article.

1983 Born in Kiev, Ukraine

2003 BA 1st Hons Degree, Kiev Linguistic University

2005 - 2011 represented by Hoopers Gallery, London

AWARDS:

2009 Rhubarb-Rhubarb Bursary, Street Level Photoworks, Glasgow, winner

2008 John Connor Award for Positive Impact, Edinburgh, winner

2006 Benno Schotz Prize for Creativity and Innovation, Glasgow, winner

2005 London Photographic Awards, All Along the Watch Tower, series, finalist

2005 Barnardos, The Face of Multicultural Britain Today, London, winner

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2012 *City of Home: New work* commissioned by Light House Media Centre, England (solo)
City of Home, Street Level Photoworks @ Eastwood Park Gallery, Scotland, (solo)
From *City of Home*, Photovisa Festival, Russia
- 2011 From *City of Home*, Format Festival, Derby, England
City of Home, Street Level Photoworks, Glasgow, Scotland (solo)
- 2010 *City of Home* and *Zerkalo/Mirror* featured in *Thinking in Unity after Postmodernism* - an international conference on innovative approaches to aesthetics, literature and film at the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich
- 2009 From *Kolya and Others*, SSA Annual Contemporary Art Exhibition, Dundee
From *City of Home*, Royal Scottish Academy Spring Exhibition, Edinburgh
- 2008 *Zerkalo/Mirror*, Scotland-Russia Institute, Edinburgh (solo)
Exhibition of Small Artworks, RSW/SSA/VAS, Princes Square, Glasgow
From *City of Home*, SSA Annual Exhibition, Royal Scottish Academy
- 2007 From *Inner Space*, Exhibition in aid of breast cancer charities in Scotland
Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum
- 2006 From *City of Home* and *Inner Space* Glasgow Group Art Fair
From *Inner Space*, Glasgow Group Annual Exhibition, Royal Concert Hall, Glasgow
- 2005 *Inner Space: Crossing the Border; Window*. Amber Arts Gallery, Edinburgh (solo)
Patterns of Berlin, Cameo Cinema, supported by RBS, Edinburgh (solo)

SELECTED WORKSHOPS, TALKS AND INTERVIEWS:

- 2012 *Portfolio Reviewer*, Street Level Photoworks @ Eastwood Park Gallery, Scotland
- 2011 *Visiting Lecturer*, Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art and Design, Dundee
Artist in Conversation with prof. Raoul Eshelman, Street Level Photoworks, Glasgow
Artist Lecture, University of Derby, England
Artist Talks and Exhibition Tours, Street Level Photoworks, Glasgow, Scotland
- 2010 *Artist Workshop*, Light House Media Centre, Wolverhampton, England
- 2008 *Interview*, BBC Radio Cafe, Edinburgh, Scotland