



# **BRIGHTON PHOTO FRINGE ANNOUNCES FULL PROGRAMME**

**06 OCT – 18 NOV**

Brighton Photo Fringe launches on Saturday 6th October 2012 bringing a unique programme of photography and lens-based media to Brighton and Hove and also stretching to Portslade, St Leonards and Hastings. Organisers are proud to announce the full programme details which can be found here: [www.photofringe.org](http://www.photofringe.org)

Growing steadily since its inception in 2003, this year there will again be exhibitions and events in cafes, community spaces, and galleries, in empty shops, outdoors and in unusual spaces around the city. There's plenty to see and take part in – 262 exhibitors, 112 exhibitions and 60 venues and 38 events in total confirmed so far!

A rich tapestry of work will be on show including: work from ninety nine year old Thurston Hopkins who is widely known as one of the greatest living photojournalists, to internationally acclaimed artists MacDonaldStrand who will be exhibiting in the grand Regency Town House; street photography of our unique South Coast cityscapes and people; images of 'best before' foodstuffs meticulously documented by the owner's grandson; images which have featured on the BBC website; a hard hitting gallery in the windows of London's old Co-op building; to the intriguing world of female fighters and films investigating ideas such as borders; conversation and psychological well being.

Work comes from established artists, film makers, curators and idea generators as well as first time participants, students and young people who have found a way into photography with the help of Photo Fringe.

This year the Fringe Focus hub and information point will move to Phoenix Brighton. Here, the OPEN 2012 solo show will be exhibited alongside a range of events, talks and group and individual shows. This year's OPEN selected artist is Jinkyun Ahn whose work, 'On the surface of images', will be shown here in full for the first time in the UK. An artist originally from South Korea, having studied in the USA, Jinkyun completed his MA in Photography at The Royal College of Art in 2012. He has exhibited widely since 2010, with shows in London, the USA, Switzerland and Italy. This will also be his debut Brighton show.

Claire Lloyd, BPF Director commented, "Brighton Photo Fringe leads the way in the 'Curation of Participation'. It's a great opportunity for lens-based artists at all stages of their careers to show work in innovative ways to large audiences, whilst encouraging those audiences to participate and become part of something truly special. Our programme this year takes risks with original and playful events and exhibitions that will inspire and engage, opening up new conversations and provoking debate."

Photo Fringe welcomed two new artistic consultants earlier this year – Harry Hardie and Afshin Dehkordi – who have worked together to contribute to and deliver a programme of exhibitions and events which draws upon significant local, national and international developments in all photography and lens-based media.

The Fringe is also committed to an exciting and innovative range of participation projects which link with local Brighton and Hove communities



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as well as forging a relationship with artists and communities nationally and internationally. This year's Black History Month project will be led by award-winning film maker David Alexander. David will work with local group Bandbazi to explore issues around identity by using masks as a starting point. The outcome of this will be shown at the Fringe Focus alongside other participative projects, including an exhibition of images from workshops completed with Barbados Community College.

You can also follow events as they unfold online: [facebook.com/brightonphotofringe](https://facebook.com/brightonphotofringe) and Twitter - @photofringe #photofringe

## PRESS VIEW

**SAT 06 OCT**  
**PHOENIX BRIGHTON GALLERY**  
14.30-15.30

and then onwards for press trip (booking needed). Limited number of spaces are available on a press trip to selected exhibitions with [Photo Fringe](#).

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A press pack with case studies, images, full programme and quotes is available on request.

### OPEN TO EVERYONE

There will also be a ticketed party from 21:00-02:00 at the **HILTON BRIGHTON METROPOLE** on **06 OCT**. Tickets £4.

## BRIGHTON PHOTO FRINGE

[Brighton Photo Fringe](#) (BPF) is the largest photographic festival of its kind in the UK. Founded in 2003, BPF was initiated to work in partnership with BpB to enable local artists to become involved with the international festival (BpB). BPF has grown year on year into an all-encompassing event open to all; a rare experimental festival that places the practitioner at its heart and embraces all audiences. BPF supports, advises and provides opportunities for photographic and lens-based artists while providing diverse and accessible exhibitions, events and programming for audiences. With a strong character, attitude, playfulness and freedom, BPF enables its exhibitors to take risks and self-curate a large number and wide variety of lens-based exhibitions that permeate the city.

Brighton Photo Biennial is the largest and most exciting curated photography festival in the UK. The fifth edition of the Biennial will be curated & delivered by Photoworks, presenting new commissions and working in partnership with national organisations and partners across the city of Brighton & Hove. Photoworks is the UK's leading agency for photography.  
[www.photoworks.org.uk](http://www.photoworks.org.uk)

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