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GALLERY

CHRIS MCCAW

b. 1971, Daly City, CA Lives and works in Pacifica, CA

EDUCATION

1995 BFA, Academy of Art, San Francisco, CA 1990 De Anza College, Cupertino, CA

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SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025	(upcoming) Elemental II: Photography and the Hand of Nature, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
	Ligne(s) de Mire, Bigaignon, Bonisson Art Center, Rognes, France
2024	Lens Flair, Photographic Center Northwest, Seattle, WA
	Photographica, Galerie Lucida, Red Bank, NJ
	Desert Forest: Life with Joshua Trees, Museum of Art and History, Lancaster, CA
	The Awe of the Arctic: A Visual History, New York Public Library, NY
	About Time, Edwynn Houk Gallery, New York, NY
2023	Datz Press: Contemporary Voices in Global Photobooks, San Francisco Center for the Book, San Francisco
	CA
	Ansel Adams in our Time, de Young Museum, San Francisco, CA
	Elemental, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
	Touch the Sun, Marshall Gallery, Santa Monica, CA

- 2022 Time's Relentless Melt, Art on Hulfish, Princeton University Art Museum, NJ
- 2021 Blaze Across the Firmament, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA Ansel Adams in Our Time, Portland Art Museum, OR
- 2020 Ansel Adams: In Our Time, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AR Image + Object, NUMU – New Museum Los Gatos, CA The Polaroid Project: At the Intersection of Art and Technology, MIT Museum, Cambridge, MA
- The Polaroid Project: At the Intersection of Art and Technology, McCord Museum, Montreal, Canada 2019 Fundamentals, Black Box Projects, London, UK The Sheltering Sky, Palo Alto Art Center, CA



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A Cure for Everything, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA 2018 The Polaroid Project: At the Intersection of Art and Technology, National Museum of Singapore Ansel Adams: In Our Time, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA 10,000 Fahrenheit, San Francisco Arts Commission Galleries, CA Way Bay 2, Berkeley Art Museum/Pacific Film Archive, CA New Territory: Landscape Photography Today, Denver Art Museum, CO Cosmos, Photo-eye Gallery, Santa Fe, NM 2017 The Basilisk, Nicodim Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Sea Views, Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands Phenomenon, Bolinas Museum, CA Low Fidelity: The Action of Light, Center for Photographic Art, Carmel, CA 2016 A Matter of Memory: Photography as Object in the Digital Age, George Eastman Museum, Rochester, NY Retro-spective: Analog Photography in a Digital World, Museum of Contemporary Art Jacksonville, FL The Sun Placed in the Abyss, Columbus Museum of Art, OH Berkeley Eye: Perspectives on the Collection, Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive, CA I Am the Sun, Art Institute of Chicago, IL In the Digital Age, George Eastman Museum, Rochester, NY Touch the Sky: Art and Astronomy, Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY This is a Photograph, Penland Gallery, Penland School of Crafts, NC Defying Darkness: Photography at Night, Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, CA Look Inside: New Photography Acquisitions, Harry Ransom Center, University of Texas, Arlington, TX The Stand-Ins, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA Particle and Wave, Hosfelt Gallery, San Francisco, CA Photography and the Scientific Spirit, John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan, WI 2015 The Mapmaker's Dream, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA The Memory of Time, National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC Light, Paper, Process: Reinventing Photography, J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA Lens Work, LACMA, Los Angeles, CA One-of-a-kind, Phoenix art Museum, Phoenix, AZ Modern Alchemy, Heckscher Museum of Art, Huntington, NY All That Glitters is Not Gold, Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ 2014 Select Cuts & Alterations, Foley Gallery, New York, NY Transformational Imagemaking, CEPA Gallery, Buffalo, NY After Ansel Adams, Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, CA PROCESS, Photo Center NW, Seattle, WA Heavenly Bodies, Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, CA Space is The Place, BravinLee Programs, New York, NY With a Trace, Akron Art Museum, Akron, OH 2013 Reality Check, Massachusetts College of Art Suddenness + Certainty, Robert Miller Gallery, New York, NY Landmark: the Fields of Photography, Somerset House, London, England The Unphotographable, Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA 2012 Heliomancy, Duncan Miller Gallery, Santa Monica, CA Tracing Light, Datz Museum of Art, Seoul, Korea Solar, Photo Eye Gallery, Santa Fe, NM Brought To Light, Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA Emerging, Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR Sun Works, Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive, Berkeley, CA Heavens: Photographs of the Sky & Cosmos, Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, MO 2011 Seeing is Knowing: The Universe, Perlman Teaching Museum, Carleton College, Northfield, MN Out of the Dark Room, Irish Museum of Modern Art, Dublin, Ireland Pure Photography, Post Production and Mixed Media, Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ 2010 California Continued, Smith Anderson North, San Anselmo, CA EcoArchive, Intersection for the Arts, San Francisco, CA



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Emerging Icon in Photography, George Eastman House, International Museum of Film & Photograph, Rochester, NY
New Works Grant, Andy Warhol Foundation / SF Camerawork, San Francisco, CA
Alternative Exposure Grant, Andy Warhol Foundation / Southern Exposure, San Francisco, CA
Honorable mention, Photo Metro
John Long Memorial photography scholarship, De Anza College, Cupertino, CA

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Ackland Art Museum, Chapel Hill, NC



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Amon Carter Museum of American Art, Fort Worth, TX

Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive, Berkeley, CA

Center for Creative Photography, Tucson, AZ

Chrysler Museum of Art, Norfolk, VA

Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus, OH

Crocker Art Museum Sacramento, CA

Davison Art Center, Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

George Eastman House International Museum of Photography, Rochester, NY

Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA

Library of Congress, Washington, DC

Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA

The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY

Monterey Museum of Art, Monterey, CA

Museum of Fine Arts Houston, TX

Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, CA

National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

Nelson Atkins Museum, Kansas City, MO

Nevada Museum of Art, Reno, NV

New York Public Library, NY

North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh, NC

Oakland Museum of California, CA

Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA

Pilara Foundation Collection, Pier 24 Photography, San Francisco, CA

Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR

Princeton University Art Museum, Princeton, NJ

San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, CA

Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, CA

Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, DC

University of Oregon, OR, Eugene, OR

Victoria and Albert Museum, London, England

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

