

BIOGRAPHY

Artist

Frank Horvat

Frank Horvat was born in 1928 in Abbazia, Italy (now Opatija, Croatia). In 1939 he moved to Lugano, Switzerland, and at the age of fifteen he decided to trade in his stamp collection for a 35 mm Retinamat to become a photojournalist. After studying art in Milan, he arrived in Paris in 1950 where he met Robert Capa and Henri Cartier-Bresson. Cartier-Bresson encouraged him in this direction and suggested the use of the Leica. In 1952 he left for a long trip between Pakistan and India, then settled in London where he worked mainly for *Life* and *Picture Post*. In 1955, he took part in the exhibition *The Family of Man* at the MoMA in New York.

Frank Horvat moved back to Paris the same year, while continuing to travel the world for his work. At the end of the 1950s, he became a fashion photographer, publishing his images in major magazines and becoming known for his out-of-the-studio shots and his original, humorous approach. Many of his photographs from this period, in colour or black and white, have become timeless icons.

After working for the Magnum Agency from 1958 to 1961, Frank Horvat decided to devote himself to more personal series in the late 1970s. He then worked on interviews with photographers, discovered and explored digital technology and continued to show his photographs in books, galleries and museums around the world before his death in 2020.

Solo shows

2020

Vraies Semblances, 1981 - 1986, Galerie Lelong & Co., espace Matignon, Paris, France

2019

House with Fifteen Keys, Multimedia Art Museum - Moscow House of Photography, Moscow, Russia

2018

Frank Horvat et ses contemporains, Vieille Eglise Saint-Vincent, Mérignac, France

Frank Horvat et ses contemporains, Musée de la Photographie, Lille, France

Please don't smile, Museo Palau Solterra, Torroella de Montgrí, Spain

Please don't smile, In Camera Gallery, Paris, France

Frank Horvat. Storia di un fotografo, Musei Reali Torino - Sale Chiabrese, Torino, Italy

Eighties New York, Fifty One Gallery, Antwerp, Belgium

Un moment d'une femme, Nexus Hall Chanel, Tokyo, Japan

2017

Horvatyear - Diptyques, Galerie Dina Vierny et Galerie Minotaure, Paris, France

Please don't smile, Izzy Gallery, Toronto, Canada

Frank Horvat, Galerie Gadcollection, Paris, France

2016

Photos Con, Galerie Dina Vierny, Paris, France

Please don't smile, Fahey Klein Gallery, Los Angeles, United-States

2015

House with Fifteen keys, Helmut Newton Foundation, Berlin, Deutschland

2014

House with Fifteen keys, Palazzo Mediceo di Seravezza, Italy

House with Fifteen keys, Théâtre de La Photographie et de l'Image, Nice, France

2013

Les Mains d'Horvat (Look Ma! No Hands!), Galerie Dina Vierny, Paris, France

2012

The iPad Exhibition, Gallery Hiltawski, Berlin, Deutschland

Trip to Carrara, Galerie Dina Vierny, Paris, France

Retrospective, Brucie Collections, Kiev, Ukraine

2011

Vintage Prints, Birgit Filzmaier, Zurich, Switzerland

No repeat, rétrospective, CRAF - Centro di Ricerca e Archiviazione della Fotografia, Spilimbergo, Italy

L'Eleganza nella moda e nel quotidiano, Photographica FineArt Gallery, Lugano, Switzerland

2010

Black and White Photographs and An Eye at the Fingertips, BSI Gallery, Lugano, Switzerland

Fashion Photographs, Manège Gallery, Saint Petersburg, Russia

2009

Black and White Photographs, Gallery Hiltawski, Berlin et Gallery Aplanat, Hamburg, Deutschland

Very Similar, Gallery Hiltawski, Berlin et Gallery Aplanat, Hamburg, Deutschland

2008

Fashion Photographs, Art Paris, France

New York Up and Down, La-Maison-près-Bastille, Paris, France

Ways of an eye, Villa Tamaris, La Seyne, France

2007

Romanesque Sculpture, La-Maison-près-Bastille, Paris, France

Strip-Tease, Assolibri Gallery, Florence, Italy

2006

Black and White and Colour, Tristan's Gallery, Cornwall, United-Kingdom

Icônes et Inédits, La-Maison-près-Bastille, Paris, France

Retrospective Exhibition, Espace Landowski, Boulogne-Billancourt, France

Fashion Photographs, Holden Luntz Gallery, Palm Beach, United-States

2005

Photographies des Sculptures de Robert Couturier, Musée Maillol, Paris, France

La Véronique, Assolibri Gallery, Florence, Italy

2004

Archival Inkjet Prints, Wouter Van Leeuwen Gallery, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Black and White Vintage Prints, Janos G Gallery, New York, United-States

La Véronique, Festival La Gacilly et Galerie Dina Vierny, Paris, France

2003

Black and White Photographs, Fahey-Klein Gallery, Los Angeles, United-States

Rétrospective, Maison de la Photographie, Toulon, France

Black and White Photographs, Jan Schluetter Gallery, Cologne, Deutschland

2002

Homage to Catalonia, Fundation Vila Casas, Barcelona, Spain

1999, A Daily Report, Janos G Gallery, New York, United-States

Strip-Tease, Staley Wise Gallery, New York, United-States

Vraies Semblances, Galerie Dina Vierny, Paris, France

2001

Strip Tease, Galerie Dina Vierny, Paris, France

2000

Mini-Rétrospective, Galerie Serge Aboucrat, Paris, France

Very Similar, Jane Jackson Gallery, Atlanta, GA, United-States

51 Photographs in Black and White, Galerie In Focus, Cologne, Deutschland

51 Photographs in Black and White, Musée Régional des Centovalli, Intragna, Switzerland

51 Photographs in Black and White, Galleria Assolibri, Florence, Italy

Fashion Photographs, Sao Paolo, Brazil

New York Up and Down, Stadtgalerie, Kiel, Deutschland

1999, A Daily Report and Paris Vintage, Musée Régional des Centovalli, Intragna, Switzerland

1999

Goethe in Sicily, Casa di Goethe, Rome, Italy

Horvat's Bestiary, The Zoological Museum in Kiel, Deutschland

Very Similar, Hackelbury Fine Arts, London, United-Kingdom

1998

Goethe in Sicily, Goethe-Haus, Frankfurt, Deutschland

51 Photographies en Noir et Blanc, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France

70 ans-70 photos, Galerie Esther Woerdehoff, Paris, France

Vraies Semblances, Institut Français, Valencia, Spain

51 Black and White Photographs, Galeria Railowski, Valencia, Spain

1997

Vintage Prints, Staley-Wise Gallery, New York, United-States

High Fashion Photographs In Rome, for Harper's Bazaar, Galleria Acta International, Rome, Italy

Frank Horvat, Photographie-Forum, Frankfurt, Deutschland

Frank Horvat, Institut Français, Prague, Czech Republic

Frank Horvat, Institut Français, Bratislava, Slovakia

1996

Fashion Photography, Fotofest, Houston, United-States

Paris-London, Musée Carnavalet, Paris, France

1995

Please don't Smile, Fashion Photos à Hamiltons, London, United-Kingdom

Please don't Smile, Staley Wise, New York, United-States

Please don't Smile, Carla Sozzani, Milan, Italy

Please don't Smile, Agathe Gaillard, Paris, France

Le Bestiaire d'Horvat, Centro Krizia, Milan, Italy

Le Bestiaire d'Horvat, Parc Régional de la Bresse, France

1994

Le Bestiaire d'Horvat, Centre National de la Photographie, Paris , France

1993

Fashion Photographs, Centre National de la Photographie, Paris , France
Frank Horvat, Foto-folies, Rodez, France

1992

Digital Images, Galerie Pictorial, Paris, France

1991

Fashion Photographs, Vision Gallery, San Francisco, United-States
Retrospective Exhibition, Galerie du Chateau d'Eau, Toulouse, France

1990

Vraies Semblances, Fotofest, Houston, United-States
Vraies Semblances, French Institute, New York, United-States
Retrospective, Folio Gallery, Calgary, Canada
Digital Prints, FNAC, Paris, France

1989

Fashion Photography, Prinz Gallery, Kyoto, Japan
Photographies de mode, Espace Paris-Audiovisuel, Paris, France
Album de famille, Comptoir de la Photographie, Paris, France
Photographies de mode, Festival de la Photographie de Mode, Trouville, France

1988

Photographes et créateurs de mode, Musée des Arts Décoratifs, Paris, France
Fashion photography, Centre Culturel Français, Prague, Czech Republic
Fashion Photography, Bell Commons Space, Tokyo, Japan

1986

Vraies Semblances, Galleria Novecento, Palermo, Italy
Vraies Semblances, Photokina, Cologne, Deutschland
Vraies Semblances, Centre Culturel, Verrières, France
Sculptures par Rodin, Centre Culturel, Verrières, France

1985

Photographies de Mode, Centre d'Art Contemporain, Montbéliard, France
Trees, Berlin-Neukölln, Deutschland

1984

Arbres, Centre Culturel, Toulon, France
Fashion Photographs, Sander Gallery, New York, United-States

1983

Arbres, Maison de la Culture, Angoulême, France
Arbres, La Chambre Claire, Paris, France
Vraies Semblances, Espace Canon, Paris, France

1982

Trees, National Museum, La Valette, Malta

1981

Trees, Galleria Novecento, Palermo, Italy
Trees, Zeit Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

1980

Arbres, Artcurial Gallery, Paris, France
30 Happy Years, Photographers Gallery, London, United-Kingdom

1979

Trees, International Center of Photography, New York, United-States

1978

Trees, Photographers Gallery, London, United-Kingdom

1977

Arbres, Musée des Arts Décoratifs, Nantes, France

Group shows**2016**

Imago - Portraits photographiques, Musée Réattu, Arles, France
Eyes Wide Open! 100 jaar Leica fotografie, Kunsthal Sint-Pietersabdij, Ghent, Belgium

2015

Newton. Horvat. Brodziak, Museum für Fotografie, Berlin, Deutschland

2013

Fantastic Machinery, Istanbul Modern, Istanbul, Turkey

2010

Lunga vista sul ritratto, 10b Photography, Rome, Italy

2008

Mujeres en plural, Fundacion Canal, Madrid, Spain

2003

Fables de l'identité, Centre National de la Photographie, Paris, France

2000

Femmes plus que Femmes, Fondation Armando Alvarez Penteado, São Paulo, Brazil

1994

Collective Exhibition, Musée de l'Elysée, Lausanne, Switzerland

1993

Fashion Photographs, dans *Vanités*, Centre National de la Photographie, Paris, France

1992

Sculptures by Degas, Centre National de la Photographie, Paris, France

1991

Appearances, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, United-Kingdom

1985

AKT Photographie, Stadtmuseum, Munich, Deutschland
Fashion Photography, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, United-Kingdom

1984

Renault, Centre Kodak, Paris, France
Regards sur l'Architecture, Angers, France
Arbres, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

1983

Arbres, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

1982

Paris-Paris, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

1955

The Family of Man, Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, United-States

Collections

Bibliothèque Nationale, de France, Paris, France
Fonds national d'art contemporain, Ministère de la Culture, Paris, France
Musée des Beaux-Arts, Nantes, France
Victoria and Albert Museum, London, United-Kingdom
Centre Pompidou, Paris, France
Fondation Cartier, Paris, France
Maison européenne de la photographie, Paris, France
Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, United-States
Eastman House, Rochester, New York, United-States
Musée Ludwig, Cologne, Deutschland
Kunstabibliothek , Berlin, Deutschland
Musée Carnavalet, Paris, France
Musée Galliera, Paris, France
High Museum of Art, Atlanta, United-States
Fondation Vila Casas, Barcelona, Spain
Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris, France
Presentation House, Vancouver, Canada