

## MIROSLAV TICHÝ

Kyjov, Moravia, Czech Republic. 1926-2011

Miroslav Tichy was born in 1926 in what is today the Czech Republic. After studying at the Academy of Fine Arts in Prague, he withdrew to his native city of Kyjov. At the end of the 1950's, he gave up painting and embarked on personal journey. At the end of the 1960's, he began taking photographs, particularly of local women, using handmade cameras he had made himself. He later added to the photos with a pencil and placed them in handmade frames, creating a style somewhere between photography and drawing. The result is a body of work with formal qualities that surprises due to its unusual nature, ignoring the rules of conventional photography. His images form an extensive oeuvre with a poetic vision of female beauty.

Ivorypress inaugurated Space I with an exhibition of Tichy's work in 2009. It was his first exhibition in Spain.

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS (SELECTION)

2016

*Miroslav Tichý o la Celebración del Proceso Fotográfico*, Museo del Romanticismo, Madrid, Spain

2015

*Miroslav Tichý: Women and women*, Moravian Gallery, Brno, Czech Republic  
*Drawings and Photographs - Miroslav Tichy*, Delmes & Zander, Köln, Germany  
*Piège pour un voyeur*, Galerie Christophe Gaillard, Paris, France

2014

*Click Click: Raphael Danke & Miroslav Tichý*, Van Horn, Dusseldorf, Germany  
*Miroslav Tichý*, WestLicht, Wien, Austria

2013

*City of the Women*, Zephyr, Mannheim, Germany  
*Homage to Miroslav Tichy*, Prague Biennale, Prague, Czech Republic

2012

*L'Homme a la Mauvaise Caméra*, Pascal Polar Gallery, Brussels, Belgium  
*The Artist with the Bad Camera*, Moscow House of Photography, Moscow, Russia  
*Drawings and Photographs - Miroslav Tichy*, Galerie Susanne Zander, Köln, Germany

2011

*Photographs and Illustrations*, Braunschweig University of Art, Braunschweig, Alemania  
Wilkinson Gallery, London, United Kingdom

2010

*Miroslav Tichý*, International Centre of Photography, New York, USA  
Museum Voor Actuele Kunst, Den Haag, Netherland  
*Sun Screen*, Howard Greenberg Gallery, New York, USA  
Galerie Hlavního Města Prahy, Prague, Czech Republic

2009

*Miroslav Tichý - Mirography*, Ivorypress Madrid, Spain  
*Prayers, Dreams And Goddesses*, Gallery Kewenig, Palma de Mallorca, Spain  
Kewenig Gallery, Cologne, Germany

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2008

Tanja Bonakdar Gallery, NYC, USA  
Museum of Modern Art Frankfurt (MMK). Frankfurt , Germany  
Kunsthaus Bregenz, KUB Billboards. Bregenz, Austria  
*Retrospective*, Centre National d'Art et de Culture Georges Pompidou, Paris, France  
Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin, Ireland (book)

2007

Solo show, Taka Ishii Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
Central European House of Photography, Bratislava, Slovakia  
BANG Gallery Beijing and Shanghai, China

2006

*De Hallen*, Frans Hals Museum, Haarlem, The Netherlands  
Dum umění města Brna (Brno House of Art), Brno, Czech Republic  
Michael Hoppen Gallery, London, Great Britain  
Sternberk Gallery, Sternberk, Czech Republic  
Presentation House Gallery, Vancouver, Canada

2005

Kunsthaus, Zurich, Switzerland  
Arndt&Partner Gallery, Berlin, Germany  
Zeno X Gallery, Antwerp, The Netherlands  
Nolan/Eckmann Gallery, New York, USA

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS (SELECTION)

2008

*Miroslav Tichý and Julia Margaret Cameron*, Magasin III, Stockholm, Sweden  
Sweden/National Gallery of Czech Republic, Int. Triennale of Contemporary Art, Praha, Czech Republic  
Biennale of Sydney 2008, Sydney, Australia, catalogue

2007

*Like Leaves*, Tanya Bonakdar Gallery, NYC, USA.  
*Collection photographique*, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

2006

*Artists for Tichý – Tichý for Artists*, Moravska Gallery, Brno, Czech Republic/East  
*Bohemian Museum. Pardubice*, Czech Republic/Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Wörlen, Passau, Germany  
*Déjà vue*, Artibus Foundation, Ekenas, Finland  
*Black Night*, Salzburger Kunstverein, Salzburg, Austria  
5th International Ink Biennial, Shenzhen, China

2005

*Arnulf Rainer and His Collection of Art Brut*, La maison rouge, Paris, France  
*Rencontres de la Photographie*, Arles, France

2004

Bienal Internacional de Arte Contemporaneo de Seville, Seville, Spain

1990

*Von Einer Weltt zu'r Andern*, Die Blaue Kunsthalle DuMont, Cologne, Germany.

## COLLECTIONS

Centre Pompidou, Musée national d'Art Moderne, Paris, France  
Galerie Klatovy/Klenová, Czech Republic  
Haus der Photographie Deichtorhallen (F.C. Gundlach Collection), Hamburg, Germany  
Kantonales Museum des Kantons Thurgau, Switzerland  
La maison rouge, Fondation Antoine de Galbert, Paris, France  
Magasin 3 Stockholm Konsthall, Stockholm, Sweden  
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas, USA  
Museum of Modern Art (MMK), Frankfurt, Germany  
San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, USA  
Victoria and Albert Museum, London, United Kingdom  
Haus der Photographie Deichtorhallen (F.C. Gundlach Collection), Hamburg, Germany

## AWARDS

2005  
Prix de la découverte (Discovery Award), Rencontres de la Photographie, Arles, France

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

### Monographs (selection)

2008  
Verlag der Buchhandlung Walther König. Miroslav Tichý, Christoph-Bakargiev, Carolyn Burnham, Clint. Buxbaum, Roman. Lenot, Marc. Cologne

2007  
*Taka Ishii Gallery*, Miroslav Tichý, Tokyo (english/japanese)

2006  
Buxbaum, Roman. Miroslav Tichý, Zurich: Foundation Tichý Ocean  
Buxbaum, Roman and Vancat, Pavel. Miroslav Tichý, Prague, Czech Republic:FotoTorst

2005  
Bezzola, Tobia and Buxbaum, Roman (eds.). Miroslav Tichý, Cologne: DuMont

### Books and Catalogues (selection)

2008  
*Miroslav Tichý*, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France  
*Miroslav Tichý*, Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin, Ireland

2007  
*Miroslav Tichý*, Bejiing Art Now Gallery (BANG), Beijing, Shanghai, China

2006  
*Artists for Tichý – Tichý for Artists*, Moravska Galerie, Brno, Czech Republic  
*Adi Hoesle, Hans-Peter Wipplinger* (eds), *Artists for Tichý – Tichý for Artists*, Verlag für moderne Kunst, Nürnberg, (Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Wörlen, Passau), Germany

2005  
Foto Antwerpen 2005. (Antwerpen: FotoMuseum Provincie Antwerpen)  
Privées 3. Arnulf Rainer et sa collection de art brut. (Fage Editions / maison rouge)

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Rencontres de la Photographie (Discovery Award), Arles, France  
Szeemann, Harald (ed.). La alegría de mis sueños / The Joy of My Dreams. Seville, Spain

2004

I Bienal Internacional de Arte Contemporaneo de Sevilla, Fundación BIACS  
Adi Hoesle, Roman Buxbaum (eds), Artists for Tichý – Tichý for Artists, Kant, Prague

1958

Císraovský, Josef. Umení mladých umelcu Ceskoslovenska 1958. (Prague: Ústřední výbor CSM, 1958)

## DVD Film (selection)

2006

Von Kopp, Natascha. Miroslav Tichý: Worldstar

2004

Buxbaum, Roman. Miroslav Tichý: Tarzan retired. [www.tichyocan.com](http://www.tichyocan.com)