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SHORT NARRATIVE BIOGRAPHY

Born in 1980 in Neuchâtel, I grew up in Le Locle, worked in La-Chaux-de-Fonds and other towns in Romandie, and I currently live and work from Neuchâtel. I am also an enthusiastic traveler and I use my local, national and international peregrinations as inspirations for new perspectives, ideas and works. Conscious of how different places, but also my various artistic and professional practices influence my photographic knowledge and expertise, I practice photography in contexts including, but not limited to: exhibitions of transdisciplinary artistic installations, concerts, public open and closed urban spaces, and the outdoors like rural landscapes and seashores.

In my work I try to move away from notions of artistic "representation" and "what the works mean", to privilege questions like "how do different elements of a photograph combine to create experience?"

EXPERIENCES

Freelance photographer – 2018-Présent

EXHIBITIONS

2025 July 1st → July 31st: five photographs selected for an collective exhibition in the streets of La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland

2025 April 1st → June 30th. FRIMAS (personal)exhibition at la Villa Perret/Pavillon Voisins, Neuchâtel, Switzerland

2025 June 12th. → June 21st. One photograph of the serie FRIMAS selected for a collective exhibition at la galerie Renaissance, Genève, Switzerland

2025 January 13th. → March 15th. NOORDZEE (personal)exhibition at Le Vostok, La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland

2024 March 02nd → 30th. NOORDZEE (personal)exhibition at Le MUR, Neuchâtel, Suisse

2023 March 02nd → March 31st. Various works (personal)exhibition at Le MUR, Neuchâtel, Switzerland

2023 October 30th → present: Journée des proches aidants travelling exhibition (La Chaux-de-Fonds, Neuchâtel, Couvet, Fribourg, and others to come), Switzerland

2022 October 28th. Journée des proches aidants exhibition at Club44, La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland

CONCERTS AND SHOWS

2022 August → September 2022: photographers for Vignes&Cultures (Agence ACP)

2020 → present: official photographer for Bikini Test, La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland

CORPORATE

2025 April 11th to 13th: official cityscape shooting for la commune de La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland
2023 June 23rd → 24th: shooting for Le service de la jeunesse de la ville de Neuchâtel, Switzerland
2023 April to present: official photographer for la commune de Cortaillod, Switzerland
2022, January → October: shootings for the project « Journée des proches aidants Neuchâtel »
2020, January 23: report for Le service de soins à domicile du vallon de Saint-Imier, Switzerland
2018 to present: various photo shooting for several professionals

WEDDINGS

2018 → 2023: 14 weddings in Switzerland and France

Artistic director and distributor manager at Vitruve Records – 2016-Présent

11 released records

Songwriter at David Robert Callahan – 2001-2018

RECORDS

2016 November 25th: release of the album AMONG GHOSTS (Vitruve Records/Irascible Music)
2012 October 19th: release of the album ALONG THE WIRES (auto-production)
2009 June 13th: release of the EP DOWN THE LINE (autoproduction)

CONCERTS (A few among many)

2017 October 11th. Live at Pyramid Stage, Bern, Switzerland
2016 November 30th. Café Le XXe, Fribourg, Switzerland
2015 November, 26th: Bikini Test, La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland
2015 November, 20th: Le Lux, Le Locle, Switzerland
2015 June, 27th: Café Le Tunnel, Fribourg, Switzerland
2014 November, 22nd: La Galerie du Sauvage, Porrentruy, Switzerland
2014 June, 12th: Le Bout du Monde, Vevey, Switzerland
2014 February, 27th: Le Bleu Léopard, Lausanne, Switzerland
2014 February, 07th: L'Auberge Alternative, Montréal, Canada
2014 February, 05th: L'Agitée, Quebec, Canada
2014 January, 25th: Mousse Café, Montreal, Canada
2013 November, 30th: Théâtre du Pommier, Neuchâtel, Switzerland
2013 June 21st: La Datcha, Lausanne, Switzerland
2013 May, 4th: Coq d'Or, Olten, Switzerland
2013 April, 26th: Bad Bonn, Düringen, Switzerland
2011 August 13th: Rock Altitude Festival, Le Locle, Switzerland
2011 February 25th: Café de la Fonderie, Fribourg, Switzerland
2010 March 3rd: Nouveau Monde, Fribourg, Switzerland
2010 January 27th: RKC, Vevey, Switzerland
2009 November 13th: Hartholz, Zurich, Switzerland
2009 November 12th: Kulturwerk 118, Sursee, Switzerland
2009 November 5th: Parterre, Basel, Switzerland

Technical manager, lightning engineer and planning manager at Bikini test, La Chaux-de-Fonds 2001-2008

More than 300 live acts

AWARDS

2026

August: honorable mention in Landscape category of the Minimalist Photography Award (AUT)

January & march: honorary distinctions on Street Photography France contests (FR)

2025

January, June, July, August % September: honorary distinctions on Street Photography France contests

October 2019: winner of the "40 Years of DAV / La Chaux-de-Fonds (CH) Photo Contest: Past-Present

PUBLICATIONS

2026

January 16th: article about the exhibition Frimas/Terrae Nivosae in Arc-info newspaper (CH)

Avril: two pictures published in the Street photography france magazine no14 (FR)

April 10th: article in The Edge of Humanity magazine (USA)

2025

November 14th: article in Littoral Région (CH) (exhibition Noordzee)

October 03rst: interview on streetphotographyfrance.fr website

Mai 28th: article in N+ newspaper (CH) (exhibition Frimas)

2024

November 1rst: a photographic serie published on www.1000metres.ch

2022

September 14th: one pictured published in Arc-info newspaper (CH)

2019

October 27th: article in Arc-Info newspaper (40 ans du DAV)

STUDIES

2008 Certificate HE-ARC Santé in nursing care, Neuchâtel

2002 Certificate PET, Cambridge, UK

2002 Certificate ESTER paramedical section, La Chaux-de-Fonds

2001 Certificate ASAP typing and Word office

1996-1999 ETMN electronic section, Le Locle

1987-1996 Elementary school, Dombresson, Les Brenets, Le Locle

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