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## STATEMENT

I am drawn to the mystical or mysterious dimension of the manifest world. Light, silence, abstracted forms and shapes, stripped-down elements in nature—all of these lie at the heart of my attention and way of seeing.

My focus in photography has been to reveal what I perceive as the essence of what appears in front of me. This laying bare is the meaning of "revelation," whose etymology goes back to the Latin noun *revelatio*. The word stems from the past participle *revelare*, meaning unveiling, laying bare, uncovering.

Without further conceptualization, and by falling back on my intuition, I try to peel away the unnecessary while slowly scanning with my eyes and lens. I find there is often something immediate and spontaneous that occurs in moments of abandon and inner stillness, be it on a solitary walk or in unexpected encounters. If this immediacy begets a photo, it stems from a place beyond words and cognition, somewhere from the junction of the hidden chambers of the subconscious and the bright-filled expanse of the spirit, as it were.



# SAROLTA GYOKER

## FINE ARTS PHOTOGRAPHY

### AWARDS AND PUBLICATIONS

- 2024 *VISUAL ART -- The Magazine of the Royal Photographic Society, UK, No. 164: Featured Photographer: The Act of Photographing — A Flow State.* Sarolta Gyoker. (11 photographs and an article)
- Fine Art Photography Awards, Honorable Mentions, Fine Art category, series "Season of Snow"*
- 2022 *Monovisions Photography Awards, Honorable Mentions, two photographs, Abstraction category*
- 2021 *Fölfelé: Antológia, Litera-Túra Kiadó (LTK) (Litera-Túra Publishers, Hungary), Summer 2021 (20+ photographs published in literary anthology)*
- Buddhadharma: The Practitioner's Quarterly, quarterly magazine--publication of photo in Summer issue*
- 2020 *Moscow International Photo Awards (MIFA), Honourable Mention and group exhibition*
- 2019 *Budapest International Photo Awards (BIFA), Gold award, Nature / Trees category (Subsequent exhibition of winning works, Kiscelli Museum, Budapest, Hungary)*
- Book cover, *Falcsik Mari: Az igazi idő* (Budapest: Jelenkor Kiadó/ Jelenkor Publisher)
- Buddhadharma: The Practitioner's Quarterly, publication of 3 photos in Fall's special women's issue -- also available online [here](#)*
- Monovisions Photography Awards, Honorable Mention: Season of Silence (series)*
- 2018 *BLACK + WHITE Photography Magazine, UK, issue 212, February, 2018: honourable mention and publication in "Black+White Photographer of the Year 2018"*
- "Álom szötte valóságból álomszerű képek – Interjú Gyökér Saroltával" | *aFüzet* (Hungarian language interview and published photographs)
- 2017 *100 Great Street Photographs, edited by David Gibson, published by Prestel (Munich, London, New York), photo publication with an essay by David Gibson*
- LensCulture Magazine: "Revelatio: The Unveiling of Fundamental Forms", feature article devoted to my photography*
- Lomography magazine: "Moving Up to the Floating World: An Interview with Sarolta Gyoker"*
- Lomography magazine: "The World of Forms: Photo-Poetry by Sarolta Gyoker"*
- 2016 *Charnwood Arts' 40th anniversary publication, The Coffee House—A Meeting Place for the Arts, Loughborough, UK, photos and article*
- Moscow International Photo Awards (MIFA), Honourable Mention and group exhibition*

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## AWARDS AND PUBLICATIONS / cont.

- 2015 PhotoLife Magazine, *The World We Live In* photography contest, 1st prize winner (theme: Environment), (published in April/May 2015 issue of *PhotoLife* magazine and in the book *The World We Live In*)
- Winnipeg Gallery Art (WAG): Ron Mueck exhibition, (co-organized by the National Gallery of Canada and the WAG): cover photo of the exhibition catalogue pamphlet)
- Of Trees and Birds and Snow and Silence*, photo book, Blurb, USA
- 2014 *Black & White Magazine*, Black & White Special Issue, August 2014 - #104, Merit Award
- 2011 *B+W+COLOR Magazine*, Colour Special Issue, Single image contest winner, Merit Award
- One Life* Photography Competition, award winner, Exhibition, book publication
- 2010 Cover photograph of New Year Issue, *Arcadia*, Columbian literary magazine, January 1, 2010
- 2008 *Canadian Geographic*, 24th Annual Photo Contest, winner
- 2007 Geert Crevits, *Vertrouwen in jezelf* (photo publication). Mayil Publishing House, Holland

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## EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 November-December  
PH21 Gallery, Budapest, Hungary  
*Monochrome*, international juried group exhibition
- 2024 Spring  
SPAO: Photographic Arts Centre:  
*APEX Juried Exhibition*, Ottawa, Canada, group show
- 2023 Spring  
SPAO: Photographic Arts Centre:  
*A+ Juried Exhibition*, Ottawa, Canada, group show
- 2022 Spring  
SPAO: Photographic Arts Centre:  
*A+ Juried Exhibition*, Ottawa, Canada, group show
- 2021 July-August  
ArtReach Gallery, Portland, Oregon, USA  
*I Came Like Water, And Like Wind I Go*, solo show
- Spring  
SPAO: Photographic Arts Centre:  
*A+ Juried Exhibition*, Ottawa, Canada, group show
- 2019 Spring  
Kiscelli Museum, Budapest, Hungary, a venue of the 2019  
Budapest Photo Festival, exhibition of the award-winning  
photos of the festival
- 2018 February 9 - March 14  
*Songs of the Snow*: An exhibition of photographs  
by Jake Morrison and Sarolta Gyoker  
Atrium Gallery, Ottawa, Canada
- May-June  
*5th Korea International Photo Festival*, Soeul, South Korea  
Juried group exhibition
- 2016 July-November  
group exhibition  
Foto Novak Gallery, Budapest, Hungary
- July-August  
SPAO: Photographic Arts Centre:  
*A+ Juried Exhibition*, Ottawa, Canada, group show
- June  
*Moscow International Photo Awards and Exhibition*,  
Moscow, Russia
- January  
Solo exhibition, Black Squirrel Books,  
Ottawa, Canada
- 2009 March-April  
*It's the Small Things*, group exhibition  
Cobalt Gallery, Toronto

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2007

*First Annual Mayor's Juried Arts Exhibition*  
Ottawa, Canada

Eastern Front Gallery, group exhibition  
Toronto, Canada

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## E D U C A T I O N

Part-time course, Ottawa School of Art  
and School of the Photographic Arts: Ottawa (SPA0)

International Academy of Design and Technology, Ottawa

Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario  
M.A., Art History

Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario  
B.A., Art History / Film Studies