

**The 4th edition of the Brussels Street Photography Festival is one month away**

// 4, 5 & 6 October 2019 @ Centre Tour à Plomb //

The first European Street Photography festival comes back with a rich program.

- What?** Brussels Street Photography Festival (BSPF): a festival with contests, workshops, exhibitions, talks, photo walks, photo feedbacks and more.
- When?** 4-5-6 October 2019 (Nuit Blanche to happen on Saturday, October 5, 2019).
- Where?** Centre Tour à Plomb & Muntpunt, Brussels.
- More info:** [www.bspfestival.org](http://www.bspfestival.org)

**THE FESTIVAL**

The Brussels Street Photography Festival (BSPF) promotes street photography as an urban research tool, a form of cultural communication and visual art. Inspired by Brussels' urban landscape, the festival provides an **international platform** that looks at the city through the unique eyes of its citizens and engaged photographers.

The program focuses on two photography contests. The best images submitted will be displayed in an open exhibition in Brussels. All accompanied by lectures, workshops, round-tables, photo walks, and photo feedbacks – gathering both professionals and amateurs photographers.

The main exhibition will open at Centre Tour à Plomb, on Friday, October 4, 2019, from 7 pm. The entrance is **free of charge**.

**GUESTS**

The list of guests includes artists, photographers, and publishers from every part of Europe: John Vink (MAPS Collective), Maciek Nabrdalik (VII Photo Agency), Gulnara Samoilova (Women Street Photographers), Graciela Magnoni (Up Photographers), Barry Talis (Burn My Eye), Max Pinckers, Éanna De Fréine (The Velvet Cell), David Helbich (Belgian Solutions), Maciej Holy, Ania Klosek (UnPosed & Burn My Eye), Vanessa Pallotta, Mariano Silletti (InQuadra) and Delphine Dumont (Hangar Art Center Gallery).

**EXHIBITION N.1: THE PREVIEW - BE A PROTAGONIST**

**When:** From Friday, September 20, until Sunday, September 22.

**Where:** The Photo Academy // Rue Notre-Seigneur 11, 1000, Brussels.

**What:** During the Brussels Mobility Week, the BSPF audience will have the chance to get a glimpse of all the pictures submitted for the contests, interacting with them. The images submitted to the contests will be displayed in a projection, but only 600 of them, at least one for every participant, will be printed and exhibited in small format; the visitors will be able to browse them and select their favorite ones, attaching them to one of 14 different thematic areas designed in the exhibition room. In this way, a

dynamic and participative performance will take place with mutating and unpredictable outcomes. On the last exposition day, visitors will be able to take up to three pictures with them as a memory.

**EXHIBITION N.2: NO MORE MY SPACE**

**When:** From Thursday, October 3, until Thursday, October 24.

**Where:** Maison des Cultures et de la Cohésion Sociale de Molenbeek (The courtyard) // Rue Mommaerts 4, 1080 Brussels.

**What:** 50 pictures show people frozen in time, carefully framed into slivers of stories that diverge in cities all over the world at different times.

**EXHIBITION N.3: FINALISTS OF THE 2019 BSPF CONTESTS**

**When:** From Friday, October 4, until Friday, October 18.

**Where:** Centre Tour à Plomb (The courtyard) // Rue de l'Abattoir 24, 1000 Brussels.

**What:** The finalists of the 2019 BSPF Singles and Series contests.

**EXHIBITION N.4: UN-POSED COLLECTIVE**

**When:** From Friday, October 4, until Friday, October 18.

**Where:** Centre Tour à Plomb (Le Foyer/Bar) // Rue de l'Abattoir 24, 1000 Brussels.

**What:** A curated selection of pictures from the photography collective Un-Posed.

**EXHIBITION N.5: WOMEN STREET PHOTOGRAPHERS**

**When:** From Friday, October 4, until Thursday, October 12.

**Where:** Muntpunt (From 1st to 5th floor) // Place de la Monnaie 6, 1000 Brussels.

**What:** A special selection of pictures taken by women all over the world.

**THE BSPF 2019 OPENING, TALKS, DISCUSSION PANELS & AWARD CEREMONY**

**When:** Friday, October 4, from 2 pm to 7 pm.

**Where:** Muntpunt (De Wolken room) (from 2 pm to 4:45 pm) & Centre Tour à Plomb (from 7 pm to 1 am).

**What:** BSPF Foreword and talks with David Helbich and Gulnara Samoiloova. Then, the official opening will take place with drinks and music for everyone.

**When:** Saturday, October 5, from 5 pm to 7:30 pm.

**Where:** Centre Tour à Plomb (Salle de spectacle) // Rue de l'Abattoir 24, 1000 Brussels.

**What:** Discussion panel with Barry Talis, David Helbich and Éanna de Fréine & talk by Max Pinckers.

**When:** Saturday, October 5, from 5 pm to 7:30 pm.

**Where:** Muntpunt (De Wolken room) // Place de la Monnaie 6, 1000 Brussels.

**What:** Discussion panel with Graciela Magnoni, Melissa O'Shaughnessy and Alison McCauley & talk by Maciek Nabrdalik.

**When:** Sunday, October 6, from 11 am to 5:30 pm.

**Where:** Centre Tour à Plomb // Rue de l'Abattoir 24, 1000 Brussels.

**What:** Talks by Éanna de Fréine, Delphine Dumon & John Vink. Then the award ceremony will take place.

#### **PHOTO WALKS & FEEDBACKS**

**When:** Saturday, October 5, from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm & Sunday, October 6, from 1:30 pm to 4 pm.

**Where:** Centre Tour à Plomb & Muntpunt, Brussels.

**What:** The photo walks and feedbacks give our visitors another way to connect with our guests. There is no specific trajectory or tight schedule and it's intended for everyone to learn and enjoy in a group.

#### **PHOTO MARATHON**

**When:** Sunday, September 22.

**What:** The 2019 BSPF Photo Marathon will take place during the Car-Free Sunday.

#### **WORKSHOPS: BARRY TALIS, MACIEK NABRDALIK, MAX PINCKERS & XIMENA ECHAGUE**

**When:** From Wednesday, October 2, until Friday, October 4.

**What:** 3 days Masterclass // Photo-documentary projects // with Maciek Nabrdalik.

**What:** 3 days Masterclass // Critical design and realization of an artistic project // with Max Pinckers.

**When:** From Wednesday, October 2, until Thursday, October 3.

**What:** Interactive photo workshop // The street walk challenge // with Ximena Echague.

**When:** From Thursday, October 3, until Friday, October 4.

**What:** Workshop // Street photography and Mindfulness // with Barry Talis.

#### **CURATION AND PARTNERS**

The BSPF is curated by Cakri, a cultural association based in Brussels. Our team of enthusiastic supporters - who have trusted the BSPF and want to improve the image of Brussels - include: Fédération Wallonie Bruxelles, Centre Tour à Plomb, BreedBeeld, Brussels Newsroom, WorldSP.co, Ville de Bruxelles, Visit Brussels, Muntpunt, The Photo Academy, Maison des Cultures et de la Cohésion Sociale de Molenbeek, Laboriver, Olympus, DPI, MAPS and Photo Brussels Festival.

We are looking forward to establishing new partnerships in order to enrich the BSPF and the city of Brussels. For more information, please visit: [www.bspfestival.org](http://www.bspfestival.org)

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**PHOTOS AND PRESS RELEASES**

Photos to use for the press release can be found here: [www.bspfestival.org/en/press/](http://www.bspfestival.org/en/press/)