

HAINES

GALLERY

JOHN CHIARA

b. 1971, San Francisco, CA

Lives and works in San Francisco, CA

EDUCATION

2004 MFA, Photography, California College of the Arts, San Francisco, CA

1995 BFA, Photography, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 Angela West and John Chiara: *In Conversation*, Jackson Fine Art, Atlanta, GA
Alchemy in Materiality, RoseGallery, Santa Monica, CA
Sea of Glass, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2022 *Starr King / Lands End*, Rose Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2020 *Dust of Angels*, RoseGallery, Santa Monica, CA
- 2019 *Angyaföld*, Art Factory Budapest, Hungary
- 2018 *California/Mississippi*, Galerie Miranda, Paris, France
Pike Slip to Sugar Hill, Yossi Milo Gallery, New York, NY
- 2017 *Lands End: California at Larkin*, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
New Cityscapes, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
- 2016 *John Chiara: West Side at Tioronda*, Yossi Milo Gallery, New York, NY
In Camera: American Landscapes, NextLevel Galerie, Paris, France
- 2015 *John Chiara: Mississippi*, Jackson Fine Art, Atlanta, GA
- 2014 *Coahoma County, Mississippi*, RoseGallery, Clarksdale, MS
de • tached, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2013 *Caspar: Fort Bragg*, Lost Coast Culture Machine, Fort Bragg, CA
John Chiara: Los Angeles, RoseGallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2012 *Crestmont at Coral*, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
In Conversation, June Schwartz and John Chiara, Richmond Art Center, CA (Dual Exhibition)
- 2011 *Fort at Lime Point*, Von Lintel Gallery, New York, NY
- 2010 *Point Bonita*, Eleanor Harwood Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2008 *Land's End*, Von Lintel Gallery, New York, NY
Land's End: Starr King, Eleanor Harwood Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2007 Club Sportiva, Sponsored by Gen Art and Johnny Walker, San Francisco, CA
- 2003 BUILD Gallery, San Francisco, CA

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *New Suns: 2025 Benefit Art Auction*, Southern Exposure, San Francisco, CA
Fringe Practice: Alternative Methods in Photography, Photographic Center Northwest, Seattle, WA
- 2024 *When Hands Touch*, RoseGallery, Santa Monica, CA
Only Black and White, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
Summer Choices, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
(Re)viewing the Land, Galerie Miranda, Paris, France
Fragile Beauty: Photographs from the Sir John Elton and David Furnish Collection, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, UK
- 2023 *Gems from the Past 30 Years*, Von Lintel Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Contemporary Scenes: Cityscape & Landscape, Crown Point Press Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Elemental, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2022 *8x10 Fundraising Exhibition*, Center for Photographic Art, Carmel, CA
Looking Forward, Pier 24 Photography, San Francisco, CA
- 2021 *Black Light*, Kunstmuseum Solothurn, Switzerland
Chromotherapy, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Into the Blue, RoseGallery, Santa Monica, CA
- 2020 *Gathering Clouds: Photographs from the Nineteenth Century and Today*, George Eastman Museum, Rochester, NY
- 2019 *Brilliant Spectrum: Recent Gifts of Color Photography*, Santa Barbara Museum of Art, CA
A Cure for Everything, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2018 *New Southern Photography*, Ogden Museum of Southern Art, New Orleans, LA
Triennial of Contemporary Prints, Museum of Fine Arts, Le Locle, Switzerland

- New Territory: Landscape Photography Today*, Denver Art Museum, CO
- 2017 *John Chiara and Damian Stamer two-person exhibition*, Budapest Art Factory, Hungary
- Low Fidelity: The Action of Light*, Center for Photographic Art, Carmel, CA
- 2016 *Boundless: A California Invitational*, Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, CA
- A Matter of Memory: Photography as Object in the Digital Age*, George Eastman Museum, Rochester, NY
- West Side at Tioronda*, Yossi Milo Gallery, New York, NY
- 2015 *New Photography Acquisitions*, Harry Ransom Center, University of Texas at Austin, TX
- Light, Paper, Process, Reinventing Photography*, J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA
- Aperture: Photographs*, 1285 Avenue of the Americas Art Gallery, New York, NY
- 2014 *Initial Public Offering*, San Jose Museum of Art, CA
- California Dreaming*, Von Lintel Gallery, New York, NY
- 2013 *A Sense of Place*, Pier 24 Photography, San Francisco, CA
- Staking Claim: A California Invitational*, Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, CA
- Twisted Sisters: Reimagining Urban Portraiture*, San Francisco City Hall, CA
- Twisted Sisters: Reimagining Urban Portraiture*, Museum Bärengasse, Zurich, Switzerland
- The Road*, Luis De Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- Crown Point Press at Fifty*, de Young, Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, CA
- 2012 *Suspended Disbelief*, Von Lintel Gallery, New York, NY
- NINE X NINE*, RoseGallery, Los Angeles, CA
- Imagining Memory*, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA
- 2011 *HERE*, Pier 24 Photography, San Francisco, CA
- Science of Sight: Alternative Photography*, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- San Francisco Views*, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
- Bending the Light*, Oakland International Airport, CA
- Donde El Tempo Se Encuentra*, Ana Valasco Gallery, A Coru a. Galicia, Spain
- California Continued: New Approaches to West Coast Photography*, Smith Anderson North, Marin, CA
- 2010 *There is a Way in Which*, California College of the Arts, San Francisco, CA
- Edges of Light*, Arts Benicia, CA
- Summer Group Show*, Von Lintel Gallery, New York, NY
- You and Me Living Today / Vol. 2 / The Land*, Gallery Four, Baltimore, MD
- Alchemy*, Southern Exposure, San Francisco, CA
- Front and Center*, Headlands Center for the Arts, Marin, CA
- 2009 *John Chiara : Sean McFarland*, Swimming Pool Gallery, Chicago, IL
- An Autobiography of the San Francisco Bay Area, Part One*, SF Camerawork, San Francisco, CA
- Live & Direct*, Ping Pong Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- Printing a Photograph as an Etching*, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
- 2008 *Summer Group Show*, Von Lintel Gallery, New York, NY
- Innovation in Tradition*, San Francisco War Memorial Opera House, CA
- Winter Group Show*, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
- 2007 *Urban Landscapes*, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
- Visual Alchemy*, Oakland Art Gallery, CA
- 2006 *Awesome: The Contemporary Sublime*, Playspace Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- Landscapes: John Chiara and Tom Marioni*, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
- 2005 *The Photograph in Question*, Von Lintel Gallery, New York, NY
- Lands End - New Work by John Chiara and Liz Walsh*, Adobe Books, San Francisco, CA
- 2002 *Pin Up Show*, Playspace Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 1995 *Fifth Utah Photography Biennial*, Nora Eccles Museum of Fine Art, Logan, UT

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- "Looking Back: John Chiara," *photograph*, March 1, 2024.
- 2023 Haines Gallery. "Elemental" *Meer*, 7 Apr- 27 May 2023.
- Haines Galley. "Haines Gallery, San Francisco." *California Homes. The Magazine of Architecture The Arts & Distinctive Design*, May, 2023.
- Anderson, Sharon. "Ansel Adams and West Coast Landscape photography at the de Young and Haines Gallery." *Marina Times*, May 2023.
- 2021 Alex, Jan. "Exhibition Review: Chromotherapy." *Musée*, July 13, 2021.
- 2020 Ross, Alex. "The Bristlecones Speak." *The New Yorker*, January 20, 2020. (Photo commission)
- 2019 Roth, David M. "A Cure for Everything @ Haines." *Squarecylinder*, January 11, 2019.
- 2018 Milstein, Kara. "New Voices in Southern Photography and Where to See Them This Fall." *Time*, October 5, 2018.
- Sante, Luc. "John Chiara's Uncanny City." *The New York Times Magazine*, July 11, 2018.

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- Haigney, Sophie. "John Chiara, and California's Beauty and Terror." *Guernica*, April 18, 2018.
- Andrillon, Laure. "John Chiara ou la mécanique des rêves." *Fisheye*, January 2018.
- 2017 Casper, Jim. "California: Interview with John Chiara." *Lensculture*, December 20, 2017.
- Strecker, Alexander. "Critically Acclaimed: 75 Experts Name the Top Photobooks of 2017." *Lensculture*, December 14, 2017.
- Pfenning, Leah. "Book Review: California by John Chiara." *Musée*, December 13, 2017.
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- 2016 Rexer, Lyle. "An Eye for the Big Apple." *Damn Magazine*, July 2016.
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- 2015 Roalf, Peggy. "New Photography at the Getty." *Design Arts Daily*, August 12, 2015.
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- 2013 Wood, Sura. "Looking Back at the Art World, 2013." *The Bay Area Reporter*, December 26, 2013.
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 Aletti, Vince. "Goings On About Town: John Chiara." *The New Yorker*, February 25, 2008.
 Hicks, Erin. "Camera Obscura." *BlackBook Magazine*, February 21, 2008.
 "See: John Chiara." *Daily Candy*, February 21, 2008.
 Baker, R.C. "Best in Show: Big Shots." *The Village Voice*, February 12, 2008.
 Roaff, Peggy. "John Chiara - Lands End." *Design Arts Daily Telegraph*, January 23, 2008.
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 Spicer, Jakki K. "On the Wall." *East Bay Express*, March 21, 2007.
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 2006 Twomey, Chris. "The Photograph in Question at Von Lintel Gallery." *M: The New York Art World*, September 2006.
 2004 "Artist Portfolio," *Eleven Eleven 1* (2004).

PUBLICATIONS

- 2017 Heckert, Virginia and Chiara, John. *John Chiara: California*. New York: Aperture and Pier 24 Photography.
 2015 Heckert, Virginia. *Light, Paper, Process: Reinventing Photography*. Los Angeles: J. Paul Getty Museum.
 2013 *Staking Claim: A California Invitational*. San Diego: Museum of Photographic Arts.
A Sense of Place. San Francisco: Pier 24 Photography.
 Wels, Susan. *San Francisco: Arts for the City — Civic Art and Urban Change, 1932-2012*. San Francisco: Heyday Books.
 2012 Lynch, David and Julien Frydman (eds). *Paris Photo vu par David Lynch*. Germany: Steidl.
 2011 *Fort at Lime Point*. New York: Von Lintel Gallery
HERE. San Francisco: Pier 24.
 Interview with Artist Portfolio, *PHOTO WORLD*, Xinhua News Agency, Beijing, China
 2010 Mobley, Chuck (ed). *An Autobiography of the San Francisco Bay Area, Part 1: San Francisco Plays Itself*. San Francisco: San Francisco Camerawork.

SELECTED TEACHING, LECTURING & CURATION

- 2014 Professor, Photography Department, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA
 2013 Public Lecture, Photo Alliance, San Francisco, CA
 2012 Public Lecture, Mills College, Oakland, CA
 2011 Curator, The Richmond Arts Center, Richmond, CA

DOCUMENTARIES

- 2012 *In Conversation - June Schwarcz and John Chiara*, presented by The Richmond Art Center, WCVE, Channel 23, July 2012
 2011 *John Chiara: Oakland Bay Bridge and Golden Gate Bridge*, Presented by Pier 24 Photography, 2011
 2007 *Inside Crown Point Press*, Spark, Television Documentary, KQED, Channel 9, February 2007
 2006 *Experimenting*, Spark, Television Documentary, KQED, Channel 9, May 2006

AWARDS, HONORS & RESIDENCIES

- 2022 Treasure Island Photo Documentation Project, San Francisco Arts Commission, CA
 2020 Artist in Residence, Fundaziun Nairs, Scuol, Switzerland
 2019 Artist in Residence, Art Factory Budapest, Hungary
 2017 Artist in Residence, Art Factory Budapest, Hungary
 2016 Artist in Residence, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
 2010 Artist in Residence, Headlands Center for the Arts, Marin, CA
 Artist in Residence, Gallery Four, Baltimore, MD
 2006 Artist in Residence, Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA
 Spark Education Honorarium, KQED, San Francisco, CA

COMMISSIONS

- 2013 Pilara Foundation, San Francisco, CA
 2011 Pilara Foundation, San Francisco, CA
 2009 SF Camerawork, San Francisco, CA

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

- Collection of the City and County of San Francisco, CA
 Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco, CA

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George Eastman Museum, Rochester, NY
The Haggerty Museum of Art, Milwaukee, WI
Harry Ransom Center, University of Texas, Austin, TX
J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA
Los Angeles County Museum of Art, CA
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, CA
National Gallery of Art, Washington DC
Pierogi 2000, Flat Files Collection, Williamsburg, NY
Pilara Foundation Collection, Pier 24 Photography, San Francisco, CA
San Jose Museum of Art, CA
Sir Elton John Collection, Atlanta, GA
Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, CT