

MICHAEL WOLF

BIOGRAPHY

Michael Wolf was born in Munich, Germany in 1954. He grew up in the USA and studied at University of California in Berkeley and at the University of Essen (Folkwang school) in Germany with professor Otto Steinert.

He has been living and working as a photographer and author in China since 1994. He has exhibited in a multitude of museums throughout the world and is represented in many important collections. 3 books by him on China have been published to date: "China im Wandel" (published by Frederking und Thaler, 2001,) "Sitting in China" (published by Steidl, 2002,) and "Hong Kong front door/back door" published by Thames and Hudson in 2005 and Steidl in 2006. "The Transparent City" is his most recent book, and was published by Aperture in NY in 2008.

Wolf is the recipient of the 2005 World Press Photo Award and the American Photography Award. His work has been exhibited at the Museum of Contemporary Photography in Chicago, Deutsches Architektur Museum in Frankfurt, Museum der Arbeit in Hamburg, and Bauhaus Museum in Dessau. Wolf's photographs are also included in prestigious collections both domestically and abroad at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Brooklyn Museum, Deutsches Architektur Museum, Milwaukee Art Museum, and Museum Folkwang, Essen. Wolf's work is currently on view at MASS MoCA, and his installation, *The Real Toy Story*, was shown at the Shanghai Biennale in September 2008. *The Transparent City* is also the subject of a new book of the same title copublished by the Museum of Contemporary Photography, Columbia College of Chicago and Aperture Gallery in New York.

RECENT EXHIBITIONS

2009 "Transparent City" Gallery Wouter van Leeuwen, Amsterdam, Netherlands. April 19 – May 30.

2009 "Transparent City" Gallery 51 Fine Art, Antwerp, Belgium. March 19 – April 24.

2009 "Transparent City" and "Architecture of Density" Elipsis Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey, May 1 – July 11.

2009 "Transparent City" Stephen Daiter Gallery, Chicago. Jan 9 – Feb 28, 2009

2008 "Transparent City" Museum for Contemporary Photography" Chicago. November 14 – Jan 31, 09.

2008 "Transparent City" Robert Koch Gallery, San Francisco, November 6 – Jan 31, 2009.

2008 "Heritage" Hong Kong Corner Houses. Goethe Institute, Hong Kong. Jan25 – Feb16