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KNYSNA FINE ART

KRISJAN ROSSOUW

BORN

1974

ABOUT

Krisjan Rossouw (Born 1974) lives and works in Cape Town, South Africa. He is a self-taught photographer with no formal art or photographic training. His work has been acquired by local and international collectors.

'we never dreamt of seas...' is his second solo exhibition.

ARTIST STATEMENT

'we never dreamt of seas...', my second solo exhibition, continues the exploration of identity and silent triumph of the subjects I photograph, first established in my debut series, 'Dark Paradise'.

As with 'Dark Paradise', the use of light and shadow, of 'painting with light' with non-traditional photographic lighting sources is a key signature of my stylistic approach.

And as before, I believe each model I photograph remains an active collaborator to the process. We work together to find that brief moment of truth in the image.

The previously poetic play of botanical accents from 'Dark Paradise' however now evolves to what I see as a deeper, more wistful study.

An expression of self amidst the metaphor of broken, lost, and discarded things.

The still strength of will.
A quiet war won.

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2015 The Gallery at Grande Provence – 'we never dreamt of seas...' 25 April – 15 May

2013 The Box Gallery Hamburg – 'Dark Paradise' 15 December

2013 New Heritage Gallery Cape Town – ‘Dark Paradise’ 13 November
2013 Cape Town Art Fair / Ebony Gallery – ‘Dark Paradise’ 25 October
2013 The Castle of Good Hope Cape Town – ‘Dark Paradise’ 18 April

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2015 Equus Gallery Cavalli Estate Stellenbosch – ‘Aphrodisiac’ 14 February – 29 March
2014 Equus Gallery Cavailli Estate Stellenbosch – ‘Kingdom’ 9 August – 12 October
2014 CAAM Collective Cape Town – ‘De Waterkant Fringe Art Fair’ 4 September
2014 Rossouw Modern Hermanus – Summer Group Show December
2013 Youngblood Gallery Cape Town 6 June

PUBLICATIONS

2015 Milk Decoration Paris January
2015 Belle Magazine Australia January
2014 Conde Nast House & Garden South Africa April
2013 Good Taste – Cover & Feature June
2010 AFI Campaign