# Michael Wolf

1954-2019

b. Munich, Germany

#### Education

1971 - 1972 North Toronto Collegiate Institute, Toronto, Canada
1972-1973 UC Berkely, California, USA
1973-1976 BA Visual Communication, University of Essen, North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany

#### Solo Exhibitions

2024	Michael Wolf: Tokyo Compression, Flowers Gallery, Hong Kong
2023	Michael Wolf: Architecture of Density, Flowers Gallery, Kingsland Road, London, UK
2020	Spotlight on Michael Wolf, Flowers Gallery, Hong Kong
2019	Life in Cities Retrospective, Urania, Berlin, Germany Bottrop-Ebel '76, Josef Albers Museum, Bottrop, Germany
2018-2019	Life in Cities Retrospective, Deichtorhallen, Hamburg, Germany
2018	Bottrop-Ebel '76, Flowers Gallery, Kingsland Road, London, UK Life in Cities Retrospective, Stelline Foundation, Milan, Italy Life in Cities – Continued, Christopge Guye Galerie, Zurich, Switzerland
2017-2018	Life in Cities Retrospective, The Hague Museum of Photography, The Netherlands
2017	Michael Wolf: Tokyo Compressiom, Flowers Gallery, Hong Kong Life in Cities Retrospective, Les Rencontres de la Photographie, Arles, France
2016	Hong Kong, Informal Solutions, Centre photographique - Pôle Image Haute-Normandie, France
2016-15	Michael Wolf: Informal Arrangements, Flowers Gallery. Kingsland Road, London, UK
2015	Tokyo Compression, Belfast Exposed, Belfast, Northern Ireland Informal Arrangements, Flowers Gallery, Kingsland Road, London, UK

2014 Architecture of Density, Flowers Gallery, Cork Street, London, UK

The Real Toy Story, K11 Art Foundation, Shanghai, China

Small God, Big City, M97 gallery, Shanghai, China Industrial Architecture, M97 gallery, Shanghai, China Transparent City, Bau-Xi Gallery, Toronto, Canada

Architecture of Density, bienal de arquitetura, Sao Paulo, Brazil

*Tokyo Compression*, rencontres gaspesie, Canada *Small God, Big City*, 25books, Berlin, Germany

Architecture of Density / the scout shots & small god, big city, Galerie

Wouter van Leeuwen, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2012 Life in Cities & Real Fake Art, Flowers Gallery, Kingsland Road, London,

UK

Ottrop ebel 76, 25books, Berlin, Germany

Von Sinnen: wahrnehmung in der zeitgenoessischen kunst (group) –

Kunsthalle zu Kiel, Kiel, Germany

Street View Portraits, Galerie Wouter van Leeuwen, Amsterdam, The

Netherlands

Total City, ivam institut d'art modern, Valencia, Spain

Hong Kong and Shenzhen Biennial of urbanism/architecture, Hong Kong,

China

Bamboo Theater exhibition: portraits of Cantonese opera singers, M+,

Hong Kong

2012-11 Michael Wolf: Life in Cities & Real Fake Art, Flowers Gallery, Kingsland

Road, London, UK

2011 Street View and Tokyo Compression, Robert Koch Gallery, San Francisco,

USA

2010 Life in Cities, m97 Gallery, Shanghai, China

Architecture of Density, m97 Gallery at ART HK 2010, Hong Kong Architecture of Density, Venice Biennale of Architecture, Venice, Italy Street View and Tokyo Compression, Gallery 51 Fine Art, Antwerp,

Belgium

Paris Street View, Foam Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

2009 Transparent City, Aperture Gallery, New York, USA

Transparent City and Architecture of Density Gallerie, La Particulaire, Paris Transparent City, Art Amsterdam, solo booth, Wouter van Leeuwen Gallery, Amsterdam

*Transparent City*, Gallery Wouter van Leeuwen, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Transparent City, Gallery 51 Fine Art, Antwerp, Belgium

Transparent City and Architecture of Density, Atelier Elipsis, Istanbul,

Turkev

Transparent City and Architecture of Density, Entropy Art, Naples

Transparent City, Stephen Daiter Gallery, Chicago

2008 Transparent City, Museum for Contemporary Photography, Chicago

Transparent City, Robert Koch Gallery, San Francisco

*Transparent City*, Museum of Contemporary Photography, Chicago, IL, USA

Hong Kong Back Door, Lumenvisum Gallery, Hong Kong

The Real Toy Story and Architecture of Density, China Design Now, London

Real Fake Pictures and Architecture of Density, Gallerie Wouter van Leeuwen, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Pieces of China—A Retrospective of Michael Wolf's China Projects,

Museum Center Vapriikki, Tampere, Finland

Tampere Real Fake Art and 100 x 100 Robert Koch, San Francisco, USA China Projects, 100 x 100, Real Fake Art, The Real Toy Story, Shanghai Gallery m97, Shanghai, China

2007 China Projects: The Real Toy Story, China Copy Art, 100 x 100, m97 Gallery, Shanghai, China

Hong Kong Industrial, Ursula Huber Gallery, Basel, Switzerland

2006 Architecture of Density & Architecture of Work, Art Fair Kunst Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland

Architecture of Density, Paris Photo, Gallery 51 Fine Art, Paris, France Architecture of Density, China Copy Artists, Gallery 51 Fine Art, Antwerp, Belgium

Architecture of Density, Artspace 1918, Shanghai/Shanghai Biennale, Shanghai, China

Architecture of Density, 798 Photo Gallery, Beijing, China

Architecture of Density & 100 x 100 Gallery, Laif, Cologne, Germany

The Real Toy Story, Museum for Work, Hamburg, Germany Architecture of Density, Janet Oh Gallery, Seoul, South Korea

Hong Kong Architecture, AIPAD New York, Robert Koch Gallery, New York, USA

*The Real Toy Story*, Museum of Contemporary Photography, Chicago, Illinois, USA

Sitting in China, Kap Forum, Cologne Architecture of Density, Hasted-Hunt Gallery, New York, USA

Architecture of Density, Artspace 1918, Shanghai, China

New Work from Hong Kong, Robert Koch Gallery, San Francisco, California, USA

Architecture of Density, Robert Koch Gallery, San Francisco, California, USA

100 x 100, Gallery of the Goethe Institute, Hong Kong

The Installation 100 x 100 + Architecture of Density, Daegu Photo Biennale, Daegu, South Korea

**2005** Architecture of Density, Art Basel, Robert Koch Gallery, Basel, Switzerland

Architecture of Density, Ping Yao Photography Festival, Ping Yao, China Hong Kong: Front Door/Back Door, Gallery Colette, Paris, France

2004 The Real Toy Story, John Batten Gallery, Hong Kong Sitting in China, Kestner Museum, Hannover, Germany

#### **Group Exhibitions**

2023 [GREYSCALE], Flowers Gallery, Hong Kong

2020 50 Years, Flowers Gallery, Cork Street, London, UK

2018 Civilisation, Flowers Gallery, Kingsland Road, London, UK

Prix Pixtet: Space, Flowers Gallery, New York, USA

2016 In and/or out: Seiichi Furuya and Michael Wolf, Düsseldorf, Germany

2015-16 Small is Beautiful, Flowers Gallery, Cork Street, London, UK

Paris Photo Restaged, Flowers Gallery, Kingsland Road, London, UK

2014 Decisive Moments, Honolulu Museum of Art, Hawaii, USA

Up, Close & Personal, Fuchs Projects, New York, USA

2013 Spring Photography Selection 2013, Flowers Gallery, Kingsland Road,

London UK

2012 Photography Selection: Edward Burtynsky, Nadav Kander, Robert Polidori,

Michael Wolf, Flowers Gallery, Kingsland Road, UK

Infinite Balance: Artist environment MOPO, San Diego, California, USA

The near and the elsewhere, PM Gallery & House, London, UK

Von Sinnen: Wahrnehmung in der Zeitgenoessischen Kunst (group) -

kunsthalle zu kiel, Kiel Germany

Making History – Frankfurter Kunstverein, Frankfurt, Germany Public: collective identity / occupied spaces, The Museum of

Contemporary Canadian art, Toronto, Canada

Davos art exhibition, meeting of the world economic, Davos, Switzerland

2011 *Metropolis*, Noorderlicht Photography, Groningen, The Netherlands

Highrise: Idea and Reality, Museum of Design, Zurich, Switzerland Virtual Identities, Centro di Cultura Contemporanea Strozzina, Florence,

Italy

2010 /seeyou, Bruce Silverstein Gallery, New York, USA

We Are Watching You, Gallerie La Particulaire, Paris, France

Paris Photo, Bruce Silverstein Gallery, Robert Koch Gallery, Gallery 51 Fine

Art, Paris, France

2009 Art Brussels, Brussels, Belgium

AIPAD: The Photography Show, New York, USA The Armory Show - Modern, New York, USA

Art Rotterdam, Rotterdam

Landscape as Dream, Studio la Citta, Verona Entropyo/ Art in Progress,

Gallery, Naples, Italy

2008 China Design Now: The Real Toy Story, Liberty Storefronts, London, UK

China Design Now, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, UK AIPAD Photography Show, The Armory, New York, NY, USA

ArtChicago Photography Show, Chicago, Illinois, USA
Butterfly Dream: Shanghai MoCA Envisage II, MoCA, Shanghai, China
Translocalmotion: Shanghai Biennale, Shanghai Art Museum, Shanghai,
China Eastern Standard, Western Artists in China, Mass. MoCA,
Massachusetts, USA

Heritage, Hong Kong Corner Houses, Goethe Institute, Hong Kong Two Photographers in a Dialog Architecture of Density and Stephen Canham's Traveling, Gypsies Homes Hallische Gallerien, Dresden, Germany

Fake – Portraits of Chinese Copy Art, Goethe Institute, Hong Kong Hong Kong Industrial, Ursula Huber Gallery, Basel, Switzerland New Urban Vistas, Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA

2007	Fake. Portraits of Chinese Copy Art, Goethe Institute, Hong Kong
2006	Useful, Cute and Collected, The Photographed Animal, Museum Folkwang, Essen, Germany
2004	Truth! - Photography's Promise of Reality, Ruhrland Museum, Essen, Germany
2000	Peking Shanghai Shenzhen: Cities of the 21st Century, Bauhaumuseum, Dessau, Germany
1990	Otto Steinert and Students, Museum Folkwang, Essen, Germany
1981	Wie Lebt Man im Ruhrgebiet, Folkwang Museum, Essen, Germany
1979	Eugene Richards & Michael Wolf: Neighbourhoods, Folkwang Museum, Essen, Germany
1975	Portraits of Craftsmen in Essen Werden, Room 315 of the University of Essen, Essen, Germany

#### **Publications**

2016	Informal Solutions
	Hong Kong Assemblage Deconstructed
2015	Hong Kong Umbrella
	Some More Hong Kong Seating Arrangements
2014	Hong Kong Informal Seating Arrangements
	Hong Kong Trilogy
	Hong Kong Flora
2013	Small God, Big City
	Hong Kong Trilogy
2012	Bottrop Ebel
	Tokyo Compression Three
	Architecture of Density

2011 Tokyo Compression Revisited

Tokyo Compression

A series of Unfortunate Events Prix Pictet 2010 – Growth

Real Fake Art

Hong Kong Corner Houses

2009 Hong Kong Inside Outside

Special Editions

2003 Chinese Propaganda Posters

2002 Sitting in China2001 China im Wandel

1981 Maloche Leben im Revier

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