

Kerlin Gallery

Paul Seawright Beasts of Burden

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Beasts of Burden 2020

During the Rwandan genocide of 1994, members of the Hutu ethnic majority in the east-central African nation of Rwanda murdered an estimated one million people, mostly of the Tutsi minority in just 100 days.

Started by Hutu nationalists in the capital of Kigali, the genocide spread throughout the country with shocking speed and brutality, as ordinary citizens were incited by local officials and the Hutu Power government to take up arms against their neighbours.

25 years after the genocide a unique initiative pairs perpetrators with their victims - where they raise a cow together, in an effort to reconcile and develop a sustainable future.











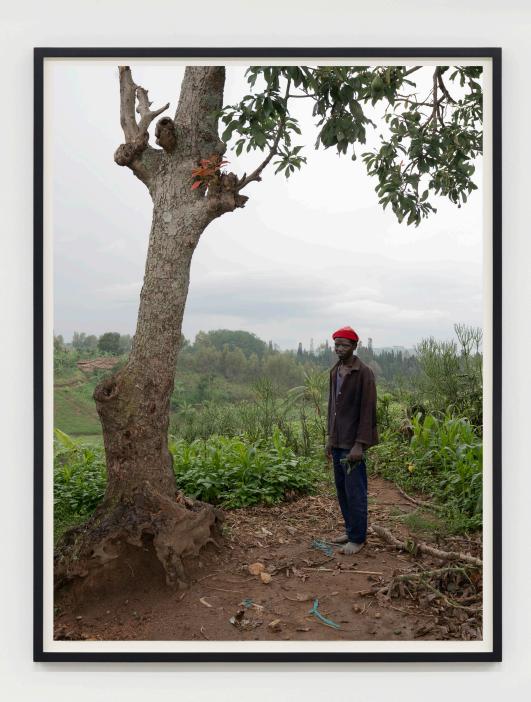












Paul Seawright

b. 1965, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Seawright is a photographer who has drawn heavily on his Northern Irish background to produce searching photographic investigations of aspects of its fraught political terrain, as in his 'Orange Order' and 'Police Force' series from the early 1990s. In his recent work, Seawright has moved away from an overtly Irish context, focusing on what he has termed a 'generic malevolent landscape' represented by the uninhabited spaces at the edge of cities and forests throughout Europe. These images take the viewer from bright, bleached vacant lots to corners of almost complete darkness, lit only by the dim, ambient light of street lamps, where the city merges with the forest.

Solo exhibitions include Städtische Galerie Nordhorn (2020); *American Trilogy*, Museum of Fine Arts, Shenyang, China (2018); *Things Left Unsaid*, Centre Culturel Irlandais, Paris (2014), travelling to The Model, Sligo and The Ulster Museum, Belfast (both 2015); *Field Notes*, National Media Museum, Bradford (2007); *Invisible Cities*, first shown at Kerlin Gallery in 2005, and travelling to Naughton Gallery, Queens University, Belfast (2006), Ffotogallery, Cardiff (2007) and Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane (2008); the Irish Museum of Modern Art, Dublin and The Imperial War Museum, London (both 2003); Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin (2001); The Photographer's Gallery, London (1995, 1991). Group exhibitions and biennials include Whitechapel Gallery, London (2010); the 50th Venice Biennale, in which Seawright represented Wales (2003); the British Art Show 5 (2000); *How We Are*, Tate Britain, London (2007); *Sightings - New Photographic Art*, the ICA, London (1998) and Different Stories, the Nederlands Foto Instituut, Rotterdam (1994).

Seawright is represented in the collections of San Francisco Museum of Modern Art; TATE, London; The Art Institute of Chicago; Museum of Contemporary Art Rome; The Art Gallery of Ontario; The International Center of Photography, New York; Museum of Contemporary Art, Strasbourg; The Irish Museum of Modern Art; The Hugh Lane Gallery, Dublin and The Ulster Museum, among others.

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EDUCATION

Fellow Royal Photographic Society FRPS

Fellow Royal Society Arts, Manufacturing & Commerce FRSA

University of Wales - PhD Photography

West Surrey College of Art & Design - BA (Hons) Photography, Film Television and Animation - 1st Class Honours

University of Ulster - Foundation Art & Design

CURRENT AND FORTHCOMING EXHIBITIONS

2020 Städtische Galerie Nordhorn, Germany (Solo, 28 November – 24 January 2021)

2020/21 Zurich Portrait Prize 2020, National Gallery of Ireland, Dublin and Crawford Art Gallery, Cork

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2018	There Not There, Courtauld Gallery, London
	American Trilogy, Museum of Fine Arts, Shenyang, China
2015	Things Left Unsaid, Ulster Museum, Belfast, Northern Ireland
	Things Left Unsaid, The Model, Sligo, Ireland
	The List, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
2014	Making News - Things Left Unsaid, Centre Culturel Irlandais, Paris, France
2011	Volunteer, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
2010	Desert Stories – Paul Seawright Screenprints, BPW Gallery, Belfast, Northern Ireland
2009	Conflicting Account, Highlanes Gallery, Drogheda, Ireland
	Anxious Landscapes: Paul Seawright 1988-2008, GTG Belfast, Northern Ireland
	Conflicting Account - Paul Seawright New Works, Millennium Court Arts Centre, Portadown
	Paul Seawright, Solstice Arts Centre, Navan, Ireland
2008	Invisible Cities, Dublin City Art Gallery The Hugh Lane, Dublin, Ireland; Bury St Edmunds Museum
	and Art Gallery, Suffolk, UK
2007	Field Notes, National Media Museum, Bradford, UK
	Invisible Cities, Ffotogallery, Cardiff, UK
2006	Invisible Cities, Naughton Gallery, Queens University, Belfast, Northern Ireland
	Oublier, Settimana della Fotografia Europea, Reggio Emilia, Italy
2005	Field Notes, Foto Museum Antwerp, Belgium
	Seoul Photo Triennale, The Seoul Museum of Art, South Korea
	Invisible Cities, Kerlin Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
	Hidden, Blue Sky Gallery and Portland Art Museum, Oregon, USA
2004	Centre Photographique D'Ile-de-France, France
	Photosynkria - Thessaloniki Museum of Photography, Greece
2003	Further, Wales at The 50th Venice Biennale, travelling to National Museum of Wales, Cardiff and
	Glynn Vivian
	Irish Museum of Modern Art
	Le Printemps de Septembre, Toulouse
	Imperial War Museum, London
	Aberystwyth Arts Centre and Gallery
	MKG, Milton Keynes Gallery
2002	Foundation Marangoni, Florence Italy
2001	Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin
	Hasselblad Centre, Kunst Museum, Gothenberg, Sweden
2000	Galerie du Jour, Agnes b Paris
2000	Museum of Contemporary Art Zagreb

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2018 There Not There, Courtauld Gallery, London A Green and Pleasant Land, Towner Art Gallery, Eastbourne, UK 2017 Rhona Hoffman 40 Years, Part 3: Political, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL, USA so it is, Mattress Factory, Pittsburgh, PA, USA Work, Rest and Play, OCT-LOFT, Shezhen, China 2015 New Art New Nature, Ulster Museum, Northern Ireland 2014 Catalyst: Contemporary Art and War, Imperial War Museum North, Manchester 2013 Northern Ireland: 30 Years of Photography, Belfast Exposed and The Mac, Belfast Changing States: Contemporary Irish Art and Francis Bacon's Studio, Bozar Centre for Fine Art, Brussels 2012 Living / Loss: The Experience of Illness in Art, Lewis Glucksman Gallery, Cork Into the Light: The Arts Council - 60 Years Supporting the Arts, Crawford Art Gallery, Cork The Long View, Gallery of Photography, Dublin 2011 Detonating Rough Ground, two-person show with Sophie Ristelhueber, Ormeau Baths Gallery, Belfast Fall Out: War and Conflict in the British Council Collection, Whitechapel Gallery, London 2010 Teaching Photography, Museum Folkwang, Essen Archiving Place & Time, Wolverhampton Museum; Manchester City Art Gallery Warzone, Fries Museum, Netherlands BIP2010 (Out of)Control Biennale internationale de la Photographie et des Arts visuels, Liege, Belgium. 2009 The Sublime Image of Destruction, Brighton Bienalle - De La Warr Pavilion Then & Now: Evolving Art Practices, Lewis Glucksman Gallery, Cork Can Art Save Us?, Millennium Gallery, Museum Sheffield PlanËte Parr, Jeu de Paume, Paris Ulsan International Photo Festival - South Korea 2008 10,000 to 50, Irish Museum of Modern Art, Dublin Different Dimension, The 2nd Novosibirsk International Festival of Contemporary Photography, Novosibirsk State Art Gallery Russia UXB - Fotografia Europea, Reggio Emilia, Italy How We Are, Tate Britain, London 2007 Atlante Italiano 07, MAXXI Rome 2006 Motor Blues, Museum der Bildenden Kunste, Leipzig Views from an Island: Irish Contemporary Art, Shanghai Art Museum, Shanghai, travelling to 2004 Millennium Monument Museum, Beijing Collection de Agnes b, Les Abbattoirs, Frac Midi Pyrenees Photosynkria, Thessaloniki Museum of Photography, Greece 2002 The Unblinking Eve, Irish Museum of Modern Art, Dublin 2000 British Art Show 5, Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Edinburgh; Southampton City Art Ffotogallery, Cardiff; Ikon, Birmingham Gallery; Silent Presence, Staatliche Kunsthalle, Baden-Baden, Germany 1999 Le Printemps, two-person exhibition with Martin Parr, Cahor, France 1998 Residue, Douglas Hyde Gallery, Dublin 1997 1988 Death, Cambridge Darkroom Gallery / Kettles Yard

Show of Hands, The Photographers' Gallery, London

COLLECTIONS

The Art Institute of Chicago San Francisco Museum of Modern Art The Tate, London Museum of Contemporary Art, Strasbourg The Hugh Lane Gallery, Dublin Museum der bildenden Künste Leipzig Contemporary Art Society, London The Imperial War Museum, London National Museum of Wales, Cardiff University College Cork / Lewis Glucksman Gallery Portland Art Museum, Oregon Museum of Contemporary Art Rome The Art Gallery of Ontario, Canada The Irish Museum of Modern Art, Dublin The International Center of Photography, New York Southeast Museum of Photography, Florida The Ulster Museum, Belfast **Buhl Collection.** New York Fonds National d'Art Contemporain, Paris Worcester City Art Gallery & Museum