

John Humble

Los Angeles Cibachromes

September 16th – October 31st, 2019



Joseph Bellows Gallery is pleased to announce its upcoming solo exhibition, John Humble *Los Angeles Cibachromes*. The exhibition will open September 16th and continue thru October 31st 2019, with a reception scheduled October 12th, from 5-8 pm. The exhibition will present a selection of vintage Cibachrome color photographs that the artist created in 1980 as he began his highly acclaimed extended exploration and documentation of the greater Los Angeles landscape.

Using a view camera and color materials, Humble created a vast document of the city's urban surroundings, describing a changing physical and social landscape. The artist noted, "swift changes in the built environment, particularly the often awkward and interesting juxtapositions of old and new". Humble's brilliant photographs follow a particular lineage of picture making, one that honors their subject through a clear and straightforward rendering. His images are contemporary depictions of the urban environment, yet his methodology reminds his audience of Eugene Atget's views of Paris, wherein both artists assembled a vision of their city with a sense of awe and with the knowledge of its changing subject matter.

Joseph Bellows Gallery will present a selection of images printed by the artist in the vibrant Cibachrome process, a revered color photographic printing process that produces richly rendered hues and excellent color permanence. The exhibition will feature a selection of rare vintage 8 x 10 and 16 x 20 inch prints.

Humble's work was celebrated with the publication of *A Place in the Sun* and with an exhibition of the same title at the J. Paul Getty Museum. In 2016 Nazraeli Press published the monograph *Manifest Density* as part of their critically praised NZ Library Series. His photographs are held within the collections of numerous museum including: the J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Center for Creative Photography, Museum of Photographic Arts, Museum of American Art, Smithsonian Institution, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles.

To request further information or high resolution images please contact Joseph Bellows Gallery at info@josephbellows.com. Established in 1998, Joseph Bellows Gallery features rotating exhibitions of both historic and contemporary photography, with a special interest in American work from the 1970s. More information can be found at: www.josephbellows.com