

# FRAENKEL

## **NICHOLAS NIXON**

Born in 1947, Detroit, Michigan

### **EDUCATION**

#### **1974**

MFA, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM

#### **1969**

BA English, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

### **AWARDS**

#### **2000**

George Gund Foundation Fellowship

#### **1988**

Friends of Photography Peer Award

#### **1987**

National Endowment for the Arts Photography Fellowship

#### **1986**

John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship

#### **1982**

'New Works' Grant, Massachusetts Council of the Arts

#### **1980**

National Endowment for the Arts Photography Fellowship

#### **1977**

John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship

**1976**

National Endowment for the Arts Photography Fellowship

**SELECTED INDIVIDUAL EXHIBITIONS**

**2022**

*The Brown Sisters*, Hungarian House of Photography, Budapest, Hungary

*Une Infime Distance*, Galerie le Château d'Eau, Toulouse, France

**2021**

*Nicholas Nixon: The Brown Sisters*, KBr Photography Center, Fundación MAPFRE,  
Barcelona, Spain 11 June – 5 September 2021

**2017-19**

*Nicholas Nixon*, Fundación MAPFRE, Madrid, Spain; traveling to C/O Berlin, Berlin,  
Germany; Fondation A, Brussels, Belgium

**2017-18**

*Nicholas Nixon: Persistence of Vision*, ICA Boston, Boston, MA

**2016**

*Nicholas Nixon: Old & New*, Galerie Eric Dupont, Paris, France

**2015**

*Nicholas Nixon: About Forty Years*, Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

**2014-15**

*Nicholas Nixon: Forty Years of The Brown Sisters*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY

*Nicholas Nixon: The Brown Sisters*, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX

**2013**

*Nicholas Nixon*, Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

*Nicholas Nixon: Here & Now*, Pace/MacGill Gallery, New York, NY

**2012**

*Nicholas Nixon*, Pace/MacGill Gallery, New York, NY

*Nicholas Nixon*, Galerie Eric Dupont, Paris, France

**2010**

*Nicholas Nixon: Family Album*, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

**2009**

*Nicholas Nixon: City & Self*, Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

*Nicholas Nixon: Old Home, New Pictures*, Pace/MacGill Gallery, New York, NY  
Mapfre Foundation, Madrid, Spain

*Nicholas Nixon: The Brown Sisters 1975-2008*, The Alhambra, Granada, Spain

**2008**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

*Patients*, Yossi Milo Gallery, New York, NY

**2007**

*Patients*, Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

*Nicholas Nixon: 30 Years of Photography*, Saint Louis Art Museum, Saint Louis, MO

*The Naked Portrait*, Scottish National Portrait Gallery, Edinburgh, Scotland

**2006**

Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, TX

**2005**

*Nicholas Nixon: The Brown Sisters*, National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

Cincinnati Art Museum, Cincinnati, OH

Yossi Milo Gallery, New York, NY

**2004**

*Nicholas Nixon: Recent Work*, Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

*Upright Female*, Bernard Toale Gallery, Boston, MA

*Close & Far*, Zabriskie Gallery, New York, NY

**2003**

*Family Ties*, Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA

Musrara Museum, Jerusalem, Israel

**2001**

*Lovers*, Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

*A City Seen*, Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, OH

*Couples*, Zabriskie Gallery, New York, NY

*Human Experience: Photographs by Nicholas Nixon*, Cincinnati Art Museum, Cincinnati, OH

**1999**

Zabriskie Gallery, New York, NY

**1998**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

Zabriskie Gallery, New York, NY

**1997**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

Zabriskie Gallery, New York, NY

Sprengel Museum, Hannover, Germany

**1996**

Barbara Krakow Gallery, Boston, MA

**1995**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

*Nicholas Nixon: Pictures of People*, Musee de L'Art Moderne, Paris, France

**1994**

Sprengel Museum, Hannover, Germany (catalog)

Zabriskie Gallery, New York, NY

**1993**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

**1992**

Zabriskie Gallery, New York, NY

**1991**

San Diego Art Museum, San Diego, CA

**1990**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

Zabriskie Gallery, New York, NY

St. Louis Museum of Art, St. Louis, MO

**1989**

Victoria & Albert Museum, London, England

*Nicholas Nixon: Pictures of People*, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art,  
San Francisco, CA

Milwaukee Art Institute, Milwaukee, WI  
Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit, MI

**1988**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
Zabriskie Gallery, New York, NY  
Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY (monograph)  
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

**1986**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
Pace/MacGill Gallery, New York, NY  
Edwynn Houk Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, OH

**1985**

Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL  
Ackland Art Museum, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

**1984**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, DC  
California Museum of Photography, Riverside, CA  
Pace/MacGill Gallery, New York, NY

**1983**

Friends of Photography, Carmel, CA (monograph)  
Madison Art Center, Madison, WI  
Daniel Wolf, Inc., New York NY

**1982**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA  
Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY  
Edwynn Houk Gallery, Chicago, IL

**1981**

Light Gallery, New York, NY

**1980**

Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

Light Gallery, New York, NY

**1979**

Light Gallery, New York, NY

**1978**

Light Gallery, New York, NY

Vision Gallery, Boston, MA

**1977**

Vision Gallery, Boston, MA

**1976**

Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY

**SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

**2025**

*Behind the Bedroom Door*, James Cohan Gallery, New York, NY

**2024**

*When Images Learned to Speak: Conceptualised Documentary Photography from Astrid*

*Ullens De Schooten Whetnall's Collection*, The Rencontres d'Arles, Arles, France

*RAY ECHOES: Triennale of Photographic Art*, Deutsche Börse AG, The Cube, Eschborn,

Germany

*Saga*, The Rencontres d'Arles, Arles, France

*Grow It, Show It!*, Museum Folkwang, Essen, Germany

**2023**

*Dear Mom*, Robert Mann Gallery, New York, NY

**2022**

*Sisters & Brothers. 500 Years of Siblings in Art*, Kunsthalle Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany

*Look again: 45 Years of Collecting Photography*, High Art Museum, Atlanta, GA

**2018-19**

*Look again: 45 Years of Collecting Photography*, High Art Museum, Atlanta, GA

*Each with the Other*, Adrian Rosenfeld Gallery, San Francisco, CA (1 December – 23  
February)

**2013**

*CONCRETE – Photography & Architecture*, Fotomuseum Winterthur, Switzerland

(2 March – 20 May)

*I, YOU, WE*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY (25 April – 1 September)

*Family Portrait*, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA (8 June – 10 November)

**2012**

Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI (26 January – 3 April)

*Silver Curtain*, Stephen Wirtz Gallery, San Francisco, CA (12 July – 15 September)

**2011-12**

*Photography Calling!*, Sprengel Museum, Hanover, Germany (9 October – 15 January)

**2009-12**

*New Topographics: Photographs of the Man-Altered Landscape*, George Eastman House, Rochester, NY; Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA; Center for Creative Photography, Tucson, AZ; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA, Landesgalerie, Linz, Austria; Photographische Sammlung Stiftung Kultur, Cologne, Germany; Jeu

de Paume, Paris, France; Nederlands Fotomuseum Rotterdam, The Netherlands; Bilbao Fine Arts Museum, Bilbao, Spain

*Staring*, Davidson College of Art, Davidson College, Davidson, NC

**2005**

Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY

**2003**

*Family Ties*, Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA (catalog)

*Cruel & Tender*, Tate Modern, London, England (catalog)

**2001**

*A City Seen*, Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, OH (catalog)

**2000**

*How You Look At It*, Sprengel Museum, Hanover, Germany (catalog)

*People/Places*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY

**1999**

*The Model Wife*, San Diego Museum of Art, San Diego, CA (catalog)

**1998**

*Newly Acquired Works*, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA

**1997**

*About Faces: The History of the Portrait in Photography*, Fogg Art Museum, Boston, MA

**1995**

*Visions of Childhood*, Bard College, New York, NY

*Hidden Faces*, Paul Kopeikin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

**1992**

*Pleasures & Terrors of Domestic Comfort*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY (catalog)

*Eadweard Muybridge & Contemporary American Photography*, Addison Gallery of American Art, MA (traveling)

*Fables of the Visible World*, Massachusetts College of Art, Boston, MA (catalog)

**1990**

*Photography Until Now*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY (catalog)

**1989**

Honolulu Academy of Arts, Honolulu, HI

**1987**

*Twelve Photographers Look at U.S.*, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA

*Photographs from the Last Decade*, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art,  
San Francisco, CA

**1986**

*Variants*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY

Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Santa Barbara, CA

**1984**

*Les Ages et les Villes: Frederick Cantor - Nicholas Nixon*, The American Center,  
Paris, France

**1982**

*The Contact Print*, Friends of Photography, Carmel, CA (catalog)

*20th Century Photographs from the Museum of Modern Art*, Seibu Museum of Art,  
Tokyo, Japan (catalog)



**1981**

*American Children*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY (catalog)

**1980**

*Photography & Architecture*, Fraenkel Gallery, San Francisco, CA

*American Photography in the 70s*, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

**1979**

*American Images*, Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, DC (catalog)

**1978**

*Mirrors & Windows*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY (catalog)

*14 New England Photographers*, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

*Nicholas Nixon/William Eggleston*, Cronin Gallery, Houston, TX

**1977**

*Court House*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY (catalog)

*Nicholas Nixon & Stephen Shore*, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

*New York: The City & Its People*, Yale University School of Art, New Haven, CT

**1975**

*New Topographics*, International Museum of Photography, George Eastman House,  
Rochester, NY (catalog)

**SELECTED PUBLICATIONS**

**2015**

*Nicholas Nixon: About Forty Years*, Fraenkel Gallery

**2012**

*Close Far*, Steidl, Fraenkel Gallery, Pace/MacGill Gallery

**2009**

*Live Love Look Last*, Steidl, Fraenkel Gallery, Pace/MacGill Gallery

**2007**

*Nicholas Nixon, The Brown Sisters, Thirty-three Years*, Museum of Modern Art, New York

**2004**

*Nicholas Nixon: At Home*, Lodima Press, Ottsville, PA

**2003**

*Nicholas Nixon*, TF Editores, Madrid, Spain

**2002**

*XL Photography 2*, Hatje Cantz Collection, Deutsche Borse, Germany

**2001**

*A City Seen*, Cleveland Museum of Art

**2000**

*How You Look At It*, Thomas Weski, Sprengel Museum, Hannover, Germany

**1999**

*The Model Wife*, Arthur Ollman, San Diego Museum of Art

*The Brown Sisters*, Museum of Modern Art, New York

**1998**

*School Photographs From Three Schools by Nicholas Nixon*, essay by Robert Coles,  
Bullfinch Press/Little, Brown, New York

**1994**

*Familienbilder: Nicholas Nixon*, Sprengel Museum, Hannover, Germany

**1991**

*People With AIDS Bebe Nixon*, David R. Godine, Boston

*Family Pictures: Photographs by Nicholas Nixon*, Smithsonian Press, Washington, DC

**1990**

*Photography Until Now*, John Szarkowski, Museum of Modern Art, New York

**1988**

*Nicholas Nixon: Pictures of People*, Peter Galassi, Museum of Modern Art, New York

**1984**

*20th Century Photographs from the Museum of Modern Art*, John Szarkowski, Museum of  
Modern Art, New York

*Ars Medica*, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia

**1983**

*Nicholas Nixon: Photographs From One Year*, Friends of Photography, Carmel, CA

**1979**

*American Images*, ed. Renato Danese, McGraw-Hill, New York

**1978**

*Mirrors & Windows*, John Szarkowski, Museum of Modern Art, New York

*Courthouse*, ed. Richard Pare, Horizon, New York

**1975**

*New Topographics*, ed. William Jenkins, International Museum of Photography,

George Eastman House, Rochester, NY

**SELECTED INSTITUTIONAL COLLECTIONS**

Amon Carter Museum, Fort Worth, TX

Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Australian National Gallery, Parkes, Australia

Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, Md

Bibliothèque National, Paris, France

Bowdoin College Art Museum, Brunswick, ME

Cincinnati Art Museum, Cincinnati, OH

Cleveland Art Museum, Cleveland, OH

Dallas Art Museum, Dallas, TX

Davis Museum, Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA

Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO

Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit, MI

Fogg Art Museum, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Grand Rapids Art Museum, Grand Rapids, MI

High Art Museum, Atlanta, GA

Institute of Contemporary Arts, Boston, MA

International Museum of Photography, George Eastman House, Rochester, NY

J. Paul Getty Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA

Los Angeles County Museum, Los Angeles, CA

Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY

Minneapolis Institute of Art, Minneapolis, MN

Musée de L'Art Moderne, Paris, France

Museum of Contemporary Photography, Chicago, IL  
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA  
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX  
Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY  
Museum of New Mexico, Santa Fe, NM  
Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, CA  
National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC  
National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa, Canada  
Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA  
Pier 24 Photography, San Francisco, CA  
Pittsburgh Art Museum, Pittsburgh, PA  
San Diego Museum of Art, San Diego, CA  
San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, Ca  
Seagram Collection, New York, NY  
Seattle Art Institute, Seattle, WA  
Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA  
St. Louis Art Museum, St. Louis, MO  
Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, DC  
Sprengel Museum, Hannover, Germany  
Tokyo Metropolitan Museum, Tokyo, Japan  
Tokyo Museum of Art, Tokyo, Japan  
Toledo Art Museum, Toledo, OH  
UBS Art Collection, Zurich, Switzerland  
University of Louisville, Louisville, KY  
Victoria & Albert Museum, London, England