## **Radek Brousil**

Born July 27, 1980 in Nitra, Slovak Republic, currently living in Prague, Czech republic

## Solo exhibitions:

March 2008 - St-Francis Comes To Montreal - Parisian Laundry Gallery - Montreal, Canada June 2009 - Study Of A Young Man - Karlin studios - Prague, Czech rep. August 2009 - Image vs Reflection - 35m2 Gallery - Prague September 2011 - "Untitled 9 - Untitled 15" - Fotograf Gallery, Prague January 2012 - "Untitled 19 - Untitled 21" - Atelier Josef Sudek, Prague July 2012 - Variations - Ferdinand Baumann Gallery, Prague September 2013 - Studio Works - OPEN Gallery, Bratislava January 2014 - Studio Works - Fotograf Gallery, Praha April 2014 - Studio Works 2(curated by Jiri Ptacek) - Plusminusnula gallery, Žilina October 2015 - Hands Clasped, FAIT Gallery Brno March 2016 - Black & White Photography, Jeleni Gallery, Prague September 2016 - Black & White in Photography, Prague City Gallery November 2016 - Kodak over Fuji unless you want Fuji, Youkobo Art Space, Tokyo Japan

Awards: - Oskar Čepan Award Winner, Young Visual Artists Award 2015 - nominated for Foam Paul Huf Award 2015

## Books

2013 - Asides, Artist book, published by Štokovec, Space for Culture

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For some time now, I have been focusing on the analysis of the photographic medium. With every new series and exhibition, I tread a path through the wild jungle of questions that accompany photography. I address the formal aspects of photographic enlargements or studio compositions. Previously – as a finalist, and later as a winner of the Oskár Čepan Award 2015 – my work reflected production and business strategies in the photographic industry, part of which involve the inequality of the photographic subject based on the colour of their skin.

In connection with Japanese culture and industry, I am very interested in the link between technology and humanity, about its process and development. In particular, how robotics can work together with the photographic medium, including the idea of robots themselves using cameras, eye movement sensors, etc. Another subject I'm focusing on in Japan is the make-up industry, which is totally contrary to that of Europe, as here, the cultural background pushes women to achieve lighter skin tones to fit a perfect pattern.

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