

International Center of Photography Presents 2012 Teen Academy Igemakers Exhibition
Features photography by high school juniors and seniors

New York, NY (May 21, 2012) - The International Center of Photography (ICP) will present an exhibition of its Teen Academy Igemakers students from May 25 through June 5, 2012, in its Rita K. Hillman Education Gallery (1114 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY). An opening reception will be held May 30 from 6 to 8 pm.



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ICP's Teen Academy programs offer a range of opportunities for teenagers to develop their knowledge of photography. Courses range from 10-week classes in black-and-white and color instruction to the yearlong intensive Igemakers program focusing on professional applications.

Teen Academy Igemakers enables 36 motivated high school juniors and seniors to advance their photography skills and develop an awareness of the creative and professional possibilities in the photography field. The weekly program provides students with guidance from some of New York's best teaching artists; field trips to museums, galleries, and studios; college-prep workshops; pre-professional assignments; mentorship opportunities in the field; and full access to ICP's facilities.

"All aspects of the Igemakers curriculum are intended to encourage and inspire the students to further express and strengthen their artistic voices. Our college prep workshops further support their readiness for higher education. Last year, 100 percent of our Igemakers graduates enrolled in college," said Willis E. Hartshorn, Ehrenkranz Director, ICP.

"My passion for this program springs from the lack of such opportunities when I was a teenager developing a passion for art and photography. Many of our students would not otherwise have the chance or reason to meet each other or become close friends and collaborators through their shared interest in the medium. Our students share a love for image making that, over the course of the year, propels them to become articulate artists, creative thinkers, and young professionals. I am so proud to share in celebrating their talents," said Katie Kline, Teen Academy Coordinator.

"I can honestly say that the program changed my life. It allowed what used to be a mere interest in photography to grow into a passion; all throughout high school, I've questioned what I wanted to do with my future, but ICP encouraged me to pursue what I love," said Igemaker Joann Lee.

The curriculum is designed to cover a more in-depth study of photography including: self-portraiture, documentary study, photojournalism, personal vision, fashion, and studio work. At the completion of the program, students have created an extensive portfolio, including an artist's statement and résumé, and are honored in this gallery exhibition, which includes work by:

Quinn Batten
Jake Brodsky
Natalie Burlant
Aleksandra Burshteyn

(more)

Elana Engelman-Lado
Maya Felder
Nataja Flood
Taylor Gray
Darcy Rae Haylor
Enya-Kalia Jordan
Usha Kaul
Evan Jorgensen
Finn Jubak
Miranda Lampke
Joann Lee
Kathedy Lopez
Ashley Mckay
John Milus
Sky Otero
Jacqueline Paredes
Nicolas Penfold-Perez
Lily Rosenthal Williams
Sara Salazar
Amanda Tilton
Alma Torres
Stephanie Tsamasiros
Alina VanRyzin
Shawana Walker
Lorna Wu
Brooke Yalof
Max Zagor
Nicole Ziegler

All prints from the Teen Academy Imagemakers Exhibition are for sale. Prints are \$250 framed and \$200 unframed. Payment will be divided equally between the photographer and the 2012-2013 Teen Academy Imagemakers Scholarship Fund. If you have questions or would like to make a purchase, please contact teen_academy@icp.edu.

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For more information, contact teen_academy@icp.edu or 212.857.0058. To register for classes, visit www.icp.org/school or call 212.857.0001. Scholarships are available for all Teen Academy classes.

About ICP

The International Center of Photography (ICP) was founded in 1974 by Cornell Capa as an institution dedicated to photography that occupies a vital and central place in contemporary culture as it reflects and influences social change. Through our museum, school, and community programs, we embrace photography's ability to open new opportunities for personal and aesthetic expression, transform popular culture, and continually evolve to incorporate new technologies. ICP has presented more than 500 exhibitions, bringing the work of more than 3,000 photographers and other artists to the public in one-person and group exhibitions and provided thousands of classes and workshops that have enriched tens of thousands of students. Visit www.icp.org for more information.

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