

**PROFESSIONAL BIOGRAPHY**

Jonathan Hobin is an award winning and internationally noted photo-based artist. Hobin's work draws from iconic literary, cinematic and historical references and popular culture to explore the darker aspects of childhood, imagination and storytelling. Considered a controversial figure and "one of Canada's most polarizing visual artists" (Jian Ghomeshi, CBC's *Q*), Hobin's work has been exhibited internationally and featured in major media including CNN, BBC, CBC as well as art publications including *Art Das Kunstmagazin* (Germany), *Beaux Arts* (France) and the *Photographers Companion* (China).

**EDUCATION**

BFA in Image Arts: Photography, Ryerson University - Toronto, Ontario, 2003

**UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS**

2015 - *Lastenhuoneessa*, Kunsthall Grenland, Porsgrunn, Norway (solo – curated)

2015 - *Victory is Peace*, Munich Security Conference/Positive Propaganda, Munich Germany (curated)

2015 - *In the Playroom*, Moen Mason Gallery, Tucson Arizona (solo - curated)

2015 - *Cry Babies*, Art Mûr, Montreal, Canada (solo - curated)

2015 - *Cry Babies*, Fototropia, Guatemala City, Guatemala (solo - curated)

**SELECTED EXHIBITIONS**

2014 - *Lastenhuoneessa*, Finnish Museum of Photography, Helsinki, Finland (solo – curated)

2013 - *In the Playroom*, Contact Photography Festival, Toronto, Canada (solo - curated)

2013 - *We Could Be Heroes*, Museum of Art, Brigham Young University, Utah, U.S.A. (curated)

2013 - *Quand l'art se prête au jeu*, Maison Hamel-Bruneau, Quebec City, Canada (curated)

2012 - *In the Playroom*, GUATEPHOTO Festival, Guatemala City, Guatemala (solo - committee)

2013 - *Flash Forward 2012*, Flash Forward Festival Boston, Portland U.S.A., Toronto, Canada (jury)

2012 - *In Praise of Childhood*, GETXOPHOTO, Bilbao, Spain (solo - curated)

2012 - *Attic Urchins*, Ottawa School of Art / Shenkman Arts Centre, Ottawa, Canada (solo - jury)

2012 - *Little Lady / Little Man*, Ottawa City Hall Art Gallery, Ottawa, Canada (solo - jury)

2012 - *PMG Editions Project*, Patrick Mikhail Gallery, Ottawa, Canada (curated)

2011 - *15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition: Please lie to me*, Art Mûr, Montreal, Canada (curated)

## **SELECTED EXHIBITIONS continued**

2011 - *In The Playroom*, White Water Gallery, North Bay, Canada (solo -committee)

2010 - *In The Playroom*, Festival X / Dale Smith Gallery, Ottawa, Canada (solo - curated)

2009 - *Mother Goose*, Dale Smith Gallery, Ottawa, Canada (solo - curated)

## **GRANTS, AWARDS AND NOMINATIONS**

2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009 - Ontario Arts Council - Exhibition Assistance Grant

2013, 2012 - Ottawa Art Gallery Auction - Critics Choice Award

2012 - Guatephoto Open Call Winner, Guatemala Photo Festival

2012 - Corel Endowment for the Arts Award

2012 - Magenta Foundation - Flash Forward Winner

2011 - SNAP! Photo Competition - Jim P. Shea Memorial Award for best overall submission

2011 - 2010 - Council for the Arts in Ottawa: RBC Emerging Artist Award finalist

2011 - 2008 - Ontario Arts Council - Emerging Artist Grant

2011 - City of Ottawa - Emerging Artist Production Grant

2010 - 2009 - (X)press : Best Visual Art Exhibition finalist

2010 - Applied Arts Magazine: Photography and Illustration Annual winner

## **CATALOGUES, BOOKS AND ART PUBLICATIONS**

2015 - *Art and Religion in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, Thames & Hudson Publishing, United Kingdom

2014 - *Flash Forward 2014*, Magenta Publishing for the Arts, Canada

2013 - HÄIRIKÖT, Voima Publishing, Finland

2012 - *Flash Forward 2012*, Magenta Publishing for the Arts, Canada

2012 - *GETXOPHOTO 2012* catalogue, GETXOPHOTO photography festival, Spain

2012 - *Rencontres Internationales de la Photo pedagogic kit*, Arles, France

2012 - *Crazy Photography*, Vivay Publishing Ltd., United Kingdom

2012 - *Little Lady / Little Man* catalogue, City of Ottawa, Canada

2011 - *In the Playroom* catalogue, White Water Gallery, Canada

## **PRESS AND REVIEWS**

### **Selected Television**

- 2013 – Yle Fem: *Lasso* (Finland)
- 2013 – MTV3 National News, (Finland)
- 2013 – Global Television, *16x9* (Canada)
- 2012 - CBC, *Q with Jian Ghomeshi* (Canada)
- 2011 - CNN, *Newsroom with Suzanne Malveaux* (International)
- 2011 - Rogers Television, *Ottawa's Art Seen with Lilly Koltun* (Ottawa)
- 2011 - SUN News, *Byline with Brian Lilly* (Canada)
- 2010 - CBC Television, *George Stroumboulopoulos Tonight* (Canada)
- 2010 - Global Television, *The National* (National)

### **Radio**

- 2014 – Yle, *Kultakuume* (Finland)
- 2013 - BBC, *BBC World News* (International)
- 2013 - CBC, *Q with Jian Ghomeshi* (International)
- 2011 - KFI-AM 640, *The Bill Handel Show* (Los Angeles)
- 2010 - France Public Radio, *Le Journal de la Culture* (France)
- 2010 - CJAD, *Laxer Live* (Montreal)
- 2010 - CKNW, *The World Today* (Vancouver)

### **Selected Electronic Media**

- 2013 - VICE (International)
- 2012 – MSN: Latin America (Latin America)
- 2011 - *il'POST* (Italy)
- 2011 - *Nothing but Nobody* (Australia)
- 2011 - *Mail Online -Daily Mail* (International)
- 2011 - The Learning Channel Online: *Parentables* (U.S.A.)
- 2011 – Buzz Feed (U.S.A.)

## **Selected Electronic Media continued**

- 2011 - *Design Boom* (U.S.A.)
- 2010 - *Actuphoto* (France)
- 2010 - *Yahoo.ca*: Home Page (Canada)
- 2010 - *The Chive* (U.S.A)

## **Selected Print**

- 2014 - 6 Degrees: Cover Story (Finland)
- 2014 - Helsing Sonomat (Finland)
- 2014 - VOIMA (Finland)
- 2014 - Helsingborgs Dagblad (Sweden)
- 2014 - BlackFlash Magazine (Canada)
- 2013 - Grazzia Magazine (France)
- 2013 - *Surface Magazine* (China)
- 2013 - Xtra: Cover Story (Toronto)
- 2013 - *TagesWoche* (Switzerland)
- 2012 - *Photographer's companion* (China)
- 2012 - *Incubator Magazine* (Korea)
- 2012 - *(X)press*: Cover Story (Ottawa)
- 2011 - *RE:PUBLIC* (Sweden)
- 2011 - *The National Post* (Canada)
- 2011 - *The Art Newspaper* (U.S.A)
- 2011 - *ARTZINE* (Korea)
- 2011 - *Digital Artist* (United Kingdom)
- 2011 - *Lamono Magazine* (Spain)
- 2011 - *Beaux Arts Magazine* (France)
- 2011 - *POLKA Magazine* (France)
- 2011 - *hDL Magazine* (Isreal)
- 2011 - *The Printed Blog* (Russia)

## **Selected Print continued**

- 2011 - *Art* (Germany)
- 2011 - *Fotografisk Tidskrift* (Sweden)
- 2011 - *VOIMA: Cover Story* (Finland)
- 2011 - *Maisonneuve* (Canada)
- 2010 - *Globe and Mail* (Canada)
- 2010 - *The Daily Star* (Lebanon)
- 2010 - *The Straits Times* (Singapore)
- 2010 - *Ottawa Citizen* (Ottawa)
- 2010 - *La Presse* (Montreal)
- 2010 - *Maclean's Magazine* (Canada)
- 2010 - *Toronto Star: Cover Story* (Canada)
- 2009 - *Capital Xtra: Cover Story* (Ottawa)

## **GUEST LECTURES**

- 2014 – Stalker Festival, Tallinn Estonia, *Art and Censorship*
- 2014 – Finnish Museum of Photography/Lens Politica, *Lastenhuoneessa*
- 2014 – HIAP: Helsinki International Artists Program, *Cry Babies studio talk*
- 2014 – Helsinki Academy of Fine Art, *Controversy in Art*
- 2013 – University of British Columbia, *Acquisition of Controversial Art: Panel Discussion*
- 2013 - Guatephoto, Guatemala Photo Festival lecture series, *Portraying Children in Art*
- 2012 - Festival X, *Otherwise Than Seeing: Roundtable Discussion*
- 2012 - Ottawa School of Art, *Brown Bag Lectures* series
- 2012 - Ottawa Art Gallery, *Talk about Art* with Jonathan Hobin
- 2011 - Ryerson University Lecture Series, *Disaster Images*
- 2011 - White Water Gallery, *In The Playroom*, artist's talk
- 2010 - Heritage College, *Politics and Art*
- 2010 - School of the Photographic Arts: Ottawa, *The Media and Art*
- 2008 - Canterbury Arts, "Mother Goose artist talk"

## SUPPORT LINKS

*Cry Babies* - Global Television's 16x9 feature: <http://is.gd/kerzjd>

*Little Lady / Little Man* - CBC's *Q* with Jian Ghomeshi Interview: <http://is.gd/IUuA0k>

*In the Playroom* - CNN Interview Part 1 of 2: <http://is.gd/DRIZQL>