

FERİT KUYAS "EDITIONS 1"
07 February – 12 March 2009

BIOGRAPHY

Ferit Kuyas (1955) was born in Istanbul, Turkey. He studied architecture and law in Zurich, Switzerland and graduated 1982 in jurisprudence from the University of Zurich. Since then he became a self-taught photographer. He lives and works near Zurich, Switzerland.

He decided to commit himself to photography in the late eighties. Working mainly on personal projects, he published his first book *Industrial Interiors* in the year 1998. After visiting Shanghai for commissioned work, Ferit's travels brought him often back to China. As a result he published the book *Shanghai* with fellow photographers Edy Brunner and Marco Paoluzzo (2000). His most recent project is the book *City of Ambition* with cityscapes from the megalopolis Chongqing, China – a four year project. The book is scheduled to be published fall 2008 by Mets & Schilt Publishers, Amsterdam.

Ferit's work has been shown by galleries and museums in Europe, America and Asia, among them Shanghai Art Museum, Fotomuseum Winterthur, Switzerland, Walter Storms Galerie, Munich, Germany, Photofusion Gallery, London, Stephen Cohen Gallery, Los Angeles, and Fotofestiwal Lodz, Poland.

1999 he received the Kodak Photobook-Award (Kodak Germany) for the book *Industrial Interiors* and 2002 he was given the Hasselblad Masters award.

PERSONAL EXHIBITIONS

2009 - Photoforum Pasquart, Biel/Bienne, Switzerland

2008 - Photofusion, London
Fotofestiwal, Lodz, Poland

2007 - Galerie Monika Wertheimer, Oberwil, Switzerland

2004 - IG Halle, Rapperswil, Switzerland
Fondation Herzog, Basel, Switzerland

2000 - Galérie Périscope, Liège, Belgium

2001 - Leica Gallery, Nidau, Switzerland

1999 - Nikon Image House, Küssnacht, Switzerland
Vebikus, Schaffhausen, Switzerland