

TerraProject

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TerraProject Photographers is an Italian collective of documentary photographers founded in Florence in 2006. TerraProject currently has four members: Michele Borzoni, Simone Donati, Pietro Paolini and Rocco Rorandelli. Coming from diverse educational backgrounds, the photographers of the collective complement each other in the various aspects of their photographic work, from project managing to distribution. In addition to being a promotional tool for its members and their individual works, TerraProject Photographers is also a platform for collective engagement and growth. The experimentation of novel narrative structures within documentary photography is one of the main concerns of the collective, and this is achieved with collective projects and multimedia productions. The members of the collective also work independently on assignments and personal research.

Collective projects are produced by the members with constant group discussions, right from the conception of the idea to the definition of the topic to the final editing of the work. The stylistic and journalistic approaches are defined a priori, leaving to each photographer the individual freedom to interpret the story, without forgetting the need for a stylistic unity and a common passe-partout. The objective is to build a strong, unified body of work where the views of the individual are an instrument to realize the work of the collective.

Photo reportages of TerraProject Photographers have been published on the pages of numerous mainstream national and international magazines, including Newsweek, Der Spiegel, GEO, D di Repubblica, Io Donna, Vanity Fair, Magazine del Corriere della Sera, Financial Times Magazine, Internazionale, L'Espresso, Le Monde Magazine, Paris Match, TIME and many more. The collective members have exhibited their works in New York, Beijing, Berlin, Sao Paulo and many venues in Italy, and have also been guests of numerous national and international festivals. The photographers of TerraProject have received prestigious international awards such as the World Press Photo (2012 and 2010) and the Canon Prize (2010).

Four (2007-2011)

Fire, Earth, Water, Air / four elements, four photographers, four years of work

A geographic social and political investigation of the Italian territory by the collective of documentary photographers TerraProject. The project "Four" stems from the desire to exploit and disseminate the work of documentation of the Italian territory that the collective of photographers TerraProject has produced over the last four years. The four elements are the starting point to explore the country, which offers a great visual story of geographic and social landscape. In the past years the collective has evolved a unique modus operandi which enables the four photographers to create a coherent and unified body of work, negating the authorial point of view in order to define a single, collective, story. In "Four", each classical element is linked to a specific project which explores places and people in Italy, remaining open to surprises and keen on entering into the void that separates the life of the country from its media representation.

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10.05 (Thu): 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

11.05–20.05 (Mon–Sun): 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.

latest entrance: 7.00 p.m.

opening: 10.05, 6 p.m.

exhibition will be held: 10–20.05