



29 Arts in Progress is back to Singapore presenting iconic fashion photographer Gian Paolo Barbieri on show at Marina Bay Sands at MIA&D Fair



Gian Paolo Barbieri, Tatiana Savialova for Valentino, 1996

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29 Arts in Progress announces the first photography exhibition of **Gian Paolo Barbieri** in Asia: the iconic Italian fashion photographer will be on show at Singapore's Marina Bay Sands from 23 to 26 October 2014 in concomitance with the 4th Singapore International Photography Festival and within the renowned Milan Image Art & Design Fair (MIA&D), the first photography, video and design art fair, following the success of the MIA Fair Milan editions.

When we gaze at Gian Paolo Barbieri's photographs, created in a refined and light-hearted spirit, we come to experience a visual theatricality that will blot out the surroundings to allow only the pictures themselves to stand out.

29 Arts in Progress will present a total of forty photographic artworks grouped in three series: "Fashion", "Tropical Moments" and "Flowers".

Exhibition Details:

Exhibition Title: "Gian Paolo Barbieri"
Opening Preview: 23 October 2014 (by invitation only)
Exhibition Period: Friday 24 October: noon – 8 pm
Saturday 25 October: 11 am – 8 pm
Sunday 26 October: 11 am – 6 pm
Venue: Marina Bay Sands Exhibition Centre
10 Bayfront Avenue, Singapore
MIA&D Fair: <http://www.miafair.it/singapore/visitors/>

Selected Artworks:



From "Fashion" Series



From "Tropical Moments" Series



From "Flowers" Series

Notes to the Editor:

About Gian Paolo Barbieri

Gian Paolo Barbieri was born in Milan in 1938 into a wealthy family of fabric wholesalers, learning from a young age the art of knowing the fabrics, knowledge that would become very useful to his profession as a fashion photographer. But during his teenage years it would be other places to captivate his attention: theatres, in the first place, which would feed and bring out his fantastic vein; discovering, not long after, the cinema that would reveal it self to be a life long passion. Following this passion he moves to Rome in 1962.

To manage, in the meantime, he develops and prints out the pictures taken of upcoming starlets and aspiring divas. But not for long. Life would take him elsewhere, to Paris, to work as photographer Tom Kublin's assistant. And it is this experience of two "excruciating" months that would launch him into the world of photography. In 1965 he joined Italian Vogue, and produced the cover of its first issue. His work for the Italian, French, American and German editions of Vogue led on to publicity work with the great fashion designers Valentino, Armani, Saint Laurent, Ferrè, Versace and Dolce & Gabbana.

In 1978 the German magazine Stern ranked him among the fourteen top fashion photographers. In the 90s he made several trips to tropical paradises such as Tahiti, Madagascar, Seychelles and Polynesia, in which he describes places and distant realities with his impeccable taste meaning to combine the spontaneity of those people and those places with elegance and style.

He shoots in analogic mode and does not retouch his pictures. His photographs are on show at the Victoria and Albert Museum, the Kunstforum in Vienna and the National Portrait Gallery of London.

About 29 Arts In Progress

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