

**The Louis Roederer Foundation continues to support emerging talents
with the 2020 edition of the Louis Roederer Discovery Award
at the Rencontres d'Arles**



Since their creation, the Rencontres d'Arles have been a force for the promotion of photography and all its players, from photographers to exhibition curators and publishers. In that spirit, the festival wishes to associate the Louis Roederer Discovery Award with photographic galleries considered to represent the finest pool of tomorrow's talents. These galleries have been asked to propose an exhibition featuring an artist they support and whose work has recently been discovered, or deserves to be discovered, by an international audience. Ten projects have been selected and will be exhibited in Arles from 29 June to 20 September 2020.

During the opening week, the jury will give the Louis Roederer Discovery Award to an artist and his or her gallery, entailing an acquisition worth €15,000.

The public will vote for the Public's Choice Award, entailing an acquisition worth €5,000.

“Thanks to the Polka Gallery, we know there’s a reason that the strong affinity between the Louis Roederer Foundation and the art of photography should culminate at the Rencontres d’Arles, where photography expresses in full liberty, in so many charming recesses, the auspicious ascendance of a magnificent art.

This year, once again, we’ll be heading to the Theatre Antique to bestow upon an artist the Louis Roederer Discovery Award, and the keys to our admiration”.

Michel Janneau - General Secretary of the Louis Roederer Foundation

The photographers shortlisted for the 2020 Louis Roederer Discovery Award are:

POULOMI BASU (India),

presented by **New Art Exchange**, Nottingham, United Kingdom

PHILIPPE BRAQUENIER (Belgium),

presented by **The Ravestijn Gallery**, Amsterdam, the Netherlands

STEPHEN DOCK (France),

presented by **Folia Gallery**, Paris, France

ELSA & JOHANNA (France),

presented by **La Forest Divonne Gallery**, Paris, France / Brussels, Belgium

FRANÇOIS-XAVIER GBRÉ (France / Côte d’Ivoire),

presented by **Cécile Fakhoury Gallery**, Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire / Dakar, Senegal / Paris, France

DOR GUEZ (Israel),

presented by **Dvir Gallery**, Tel-Aviv, Israel / Brussels, Belgium

AMÉLIE LABOURDETTE (France),

presented by **Thierry Bigaignon Gallery**, Paris, France

ALICE MICELI (Brazil),

presented by **Galeria Nara Roesler**, São Paulo / Rio de Janeiro, Brazil / New York, United States

DAVIDE MONTELEONE (Italia),

presented by **Heillandi Gallery**, Lugano, Switzerland

DEANNA PIZZITELLI (Canada),

presented by **Stephen Bulger Gallery**, Toronto, Canada

About the Louis Roederer Foundation

The Louis Roederer Foundation was founded in 2011 with the purpose of creating a permanent and well-structured sponsorship programme. It builds on the policy that Louis Roederer has implemented since 2003 with the Bibliothèque nationale de France, and opens it up to new projects, while continuing to support artistic creativity and make it accessible to the public. The Foundation, which has become Major Patron of Culture and Arts, today continues its commitment through its sponsorship of the Grand Palais and its proactive partnership with the Palais de Tokyo.

But, in all the creative and artistic endeavours that it sponsors in these iconic places of culture and intelligence, whether through the Bibliothèque nationale de France Photographic Research Grant, the Louis Roederer Foundation Rising Star Award at La Semaine de la Critique in Cannes, the Louis Roederer Foundation Revelation Prize at the Deauville American Film Festival, and the Discovery Award at the Rencontres d'Arles, the Louis Roederer Foundation plays its favourite role in supporting and nurturing the great artists of tomorrow.

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About Louis Roederer

Founded in 1776 in Reims, Louis Roederer is an independent family-run champagne house directed by Frédéric Rouzaud. In addition to producing Louis Roederer and Cristal champagnes, Louis Roederer also owns Deutz champagne, Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande (a Pauillac Grand cru classé), Château de Pez (Saint-Estèphe) and Maison Descaves, in Bordeaux, Domaines Ott* in Provence, Delas Frères in the Rhône valley, Roederer Estate, Scharffenberger Cellars, Domaine Anderson and Merry Edwards Winery in California, and Porto Ramos Pinto in Portugal.

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