

Gallery

Media Release

Larry Towell: Projects 1985 – 2000 April 12 to June 1

Larry Towell is the only Canadian member of the Magnum Photo Agency. His work follows in the tradition of Magnum's founders, Henri Cartier-Bresson and Robert Capa. Towell is arguably the most decorated photojournalist in Canada; he has eight books showcasing his work and has been published in some two hundred magazines and periodicals. He has won numerous awards including the 1994 *World Press Photo of the Year Award*, the *Alfred Eisenstaedt Award*, the *Canon Photo Essay Award* and the *Ernst Haas Foundation Award*. PHG will show eighty of his photographs made from 1985 to 2000. The exhibition includes work shot in the war zones of Central America and the Middle East as well as his project documenting Mennonite communities in Canada and Mexico.

The exhibition is curated by Pierre Dessureault and circulated by the National Gallery of Canada/CMCP

SPECIAL EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14 at 7:30pm at PHG

RECEPTION and BOOK SIGNING with the artist.

SUNDAY MAY 18 at Emily Carr Institute of Art & Design at 7:30pm.

LARRY TOWELL IN PERFORMANCE

Larry Towell is also a cutting edge performance artist. He blends documentary photography and performances of his music, diary excerpts and text commentary in a unique 'theatre of photojournalism'. He will show slides of works not in the exhibition, including his photographs of September 11, 2001 in New York City, over which he performs and reads. *The performance is co-sponsored with ECIAD.*

Larry Towell lives with his wife and children on a farm in rural Ontario when he is not in the field.



Patos Colony, Durango, Mexico 1994 from the Mennonites series © Larry Towell, Magnum.

Larry Towell will be available for interviews the afternoon & evening of Wednesday, May 14th and the morning of Thursday, May 15th.

Contact: Diane Evans at 604-986-1351 or devans@presentationhousegall.com for more information, press photos and to arrange interviews with Larry Towell.

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