



Sleepers

Gallery 4

Olivia Martin-McGuire

Sydney artist Olivia Martin-McGuire photographs her subjects at the point where consciousness finally slips away and sleep takes over. On a bed in the studio, she captures the artless choreography of sleep; the intimate way couples hold or fall against each other and the graceful simplicity of bodies without inhibition.

Shot on medium format film in sharp detail, we are able to observe every hair on these sleepers' bodies at the moment when they are most vulnerable. Martin-McGuire's images are intensely, almost unbearably, intimate. She exposes the frailty and awkwardness of humans gently and without judgement.

On Saturday the 20 March at 1pm, Martin-McGuire will also host a floortalk at the ACP. She will discuss her experience documenting people sleeping around the world. Admission is free.

ABOUT THE ACP

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EXHIBITION DATES:

12 March - 11 April 2010

GALLERY ADDRESS:

257 Oxford Street Paddington NSW 2021

GALLERY OPEN TIMES:

Tuesday To Friday 12.00pm To 7.00pm;
Saturday and Sunday 10.00am To 6.00pm

MEDIA INFO AND INTERVIEWS:

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ADMISSION:

Free

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