Matthew Bender

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Matthew Bender was born in Lancaster County, PA, USA. After earning a degree from Antonelli Institute of Photography in Philadelphia, PA, he began photographing landscapes, structures and environments across the United States and abroad. His interest in pattern and symmetry influenced his work in increasingly controlled and structured directions. Out of this collection of work ultimately grew the series "Traces". His work has been included in several shows and exhibitions, most recently the 2014 National Competition at Soho Photo Gallery in New York, New York *The National* at the Fort Wayne Museum of Art in Fort Wayne, IN, and *Lens 2014* International Juried Competition at Perspective Gallery in Evanston, IL. He currently resides in Philadelphia, PA.

Awards and Acknowledgments

2014 National Competition, Soho Photo Gallery, Honorable Mention

2014 Lens International Juried Competition, Second Runner Up

Exhibitions

2014 Landscapes and Architecture, Group Exhibition, Black Box Gallery, Portland, OR

2014 National Competition, juried by Ariel Meyerovitz, Soho Photo Gallery, New York, NY

2014 Lens International Juried Competition, juried by Martha Schneider, Perspective Gallery, Evanston, IL

2014 The National, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, IN

2014 Off the Clock, APA LA Chapter Member Show, juried by Britt Salvesen, Los Angeles, CA

2014 Focus 2014, Philadelphia ASMP Chapter Member Show, Philadelphia, PA

2014 New Color Photography, juried by Kelli Pennington, Group Exhibition, Black Box Gallery, Portland, OR

2013 Urban Landscape, Group Exhibition, 1650 Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

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