

Simeon Posen *Coast to Coast to Coast*

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Alberta, 2015



Midway Lights V, 2014

In *Coast to Coast to Coast*, Toronto-based photographer Simeon Posen presents two series of works taken across Canada over the last few decades. In the first we can see Posen's meticulous technique combined with a poetic examination of natural elements – earth air water – in a range of images from close-cropped details to sweeping panoramas.

In the *Midway Lights* series, he utilizes the funfair games and ride-based entertainments found in urban and sub-urban areas across Canada. These photographs capture both the unique architectural form contained in the structures and the dynamic energy of the rides, recording their patterns of movement as they weave lines across the night sky. Shot using a Pentax camera with 400 film, Posen allows us to experience the sensation of speed and motion in a still image.

This series of works provide the viewer with contrasting images of movement and stillness, urban and natural and combined with his exceptional handling of textures and tonal range push some images into near abstraction. His work reminds us that how we look at things is a function of how we frame them, and that the camera is a unique tool for uncovering the fundamental and personal nature of our world.

Simeon Posen is a Canadian landscape and architectural photographer whose work spans more than four decades. His studies in architecture at Taliesin, the Frank Lloyd Wright School, and stage design at the National Theatre School in Montreal fundamentally inform his photography practice. The technique, style and composition of his photographs are influenced by classic B&W formalist photographers Wynn Bullock, Brett Weston and Ansel Adams with whom he studied in California in the early 1970's. He works with large format negatives - 8x10" and 4x5" - hand developing the film materials and printing on silver gelatin fibre-based papers as well as utilizing Giclee printing methods.

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