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VITA

Education

2000 - 2003 Fashion Design - FASM - São Paulo - BR 2014 Magnum Photos - Paris - FR 2015 Magnum Photos - Tokyo - JP 2016 Seeing Through Photographs - MoMa - New York City - US 2018 Black& White Darkroom - Dunkelkammer - Berlin - DE Solo Exhibitions 2016 It's a Match! - Ori Gallery - Berlin - DE Vinyl Stories/These Walls - Edel Ag - Hamburg - DE **Group Exhibitions** 2017 CCT-See City - Pistoia - IT 30 Contemporary Artists by Enter Art Foundation - Multipolster - Berlin - DE 2015 Nippon Photo Institute - Tokyo - JP Paraty em Foco - BR 2014 Paris Photo Week - Magnum Photos Office - Paris - FR Awards 2016 First Place - It's All About Music Competition - Leica & Huawei **Publications** 2018 Nikon x Edition F 2017 Leica Fotografie International **Discovering Tuscany** 2016 Leica Fotografie International **Positive Magazine** PH Museum **Residencies** 2016 UAP - São Paulo - BR 2015 UAP - São Paulo - BR 2014 UAP - São Paulo - BR

ARTIST STATEMENT

When I was a child, I used to spend most of the time drawing - to play, to learn, to escape, and even as a way to



interact with others. My grandfather taught my father how to draw fairly well, hence I inherited it. Because drawing was an activity I always enjoyed, I mistakenly chose to study fashion design, only to find out later that the fashion world is definitely not for me. Luckily, all the disappointment and pressure I had while dropping university served for me as inspiration to immerse myself into photography. I started working with an analog camera, a tool that remains untamed in my hands, and a reason why I still adore it - regardless of how much I can control the camera, there are always elements of surprise interfering with my expectations, and I allow a great amount of my work for those interferences to happen freely, as if somehow I become aware that sometimes I must lose control during my processes and give the space to other forces (whatever it might be). But I am also a strong user of flash, digital and even mobile cameras - for me, all tools are valid. My interest lies in street and documentary photography, as well in more poetic approaches, as long as there is some sort of provocation either in the theme or in the visual of those images - all of that is quite the opposite of the photography I do commercially, which is mainly cheesecake nudes of females, a field I am not particularly enthusiastic about, but has been supporting me financially for the past 11 years, working strictly with photography, therefore giving me enough freedom to keep on pursuing my ideas and further explorations.

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