

# Streets by Lagrange

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### **Streets by Lagrange**

retrospective anniversary exhibition of Vladimir Lagrange-the artist whose works became the embodiment of the "Thawing" 1960s. Lagrange's photographs are recognized classics of Soviet art, but they also reflect global trends in photography at the time: the flourishing οf the humanist movement and the operation of the new Magnum photo agency.

The Lumiere Brothers Center for Photography has worked with Lagrange's archive for almost 15 years. More than 100 of his photographs, shot from the 1960s to the 1990s, allow viewers to perceive shifts in the mood of every historical period.

The exhibition audio guide is read by Andrey Makarevich.



Vladimir Lagrange Doves of Peace, 1962.

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The exhibition covers more than 40 years of Lagrange's creative life and portrays his transformation as an artist, as well as the influence of the era on his style, presentation, and chosen topics.







Vladimir Lagrange Interest, 1961

Lagrange's fascination with photography began in early childhood, when he took pictures of his school friends and the resort landscapes of Crimea. It is no surprise that after coming to TASS News Photography as a student in 1959, he quickly became a staff photographer.

His shots were published in the newspapers "Pravda," "Literaturnaya Gazeta," and "Freie Welt" (GDR), as well as the magazines "Sovetskoe Foto" and "Sovetsky Soyuz," where he worked for more than 20 years.



Vladimir Lagrange Serenade, 1962



Vladimir Lagrange Challah Hairstyle, 1963

Lagrange avoided staged, stiff shots, instead creating the portrait of his era with the atmosphere of freedom, romanticism of youth, and lightheartedness of childhood.

"My task was to put readers in touch with the work of metalmakers, pilots, miners, doctors, grain-growers... to show their life just as it is,"

- he wrote. Lagrange's honest and sincere vision contradicted the propaganda of the Soviet way of living but praised the life of ordinary people. The artist discovered the lyricism of routine using the new photographic language.



Vladimir Lagrange No Dancing without an Accordion, 1983

Following the photographer's vision through the decades, the viewer witnesses the changes happening in life in the USSR and later - Russia. But regardless of the dominating mood each era, Lagrange always looked at his subject matters with affection and sympathy, and he managed to capture the poetry of life even in the most difficult years.







Vladimir Lagrange The Twist, 1964

#### LECTURE PROGRAM / STREETS BY LAGRANGE

### Lecture: "Soviet photography of the 1960-1970s"

The 1960s were a time of hope and a sensation of freedom, a time of a new formal language and new genres and themes in photography. It was an era of experimentation and innovative approaches. For the first time ever, Soviet photography took an interest in people's private lives with their feelings and emotions. Photographers chased after pure reporting and avoided staged scenes, pathos, and pretentiousness. Their works displayed more sincerity, humor, and romanticism.

## Lecture: "Documentary photographs of the 1960-1970s: boundaries and circumstances"

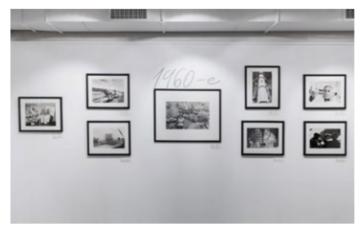
What was the context for the changes in the perception documentary pictorialism? What major ideas influenced Soviet photojournalism? What official policies could have been a foundation for the individual strategies of the last generation of Soviet photographers? This lecture will answer these questions and provide a more thoughtful look at photographs of the Soviet era.



### **EXPOSITION IN THE LUMIERE BROTHERS CENTER FOR PHOTOGRAPHY**









### **EXHIBITION BRANDING IN THE LUMIERE BROTHERS CENTER FOR PHOTOGRAPHY**





### **EXHIBITION RENTAL TERMS / EXPOSITION MAKEUP**

### 149 photographs

Produced using archive carbon printing, in black plastic frames, in the following sizes:

 $60 \times 40 \text{ cm} - 2$ 50 x 60 cm - 1  $50 \times 40 \text{ cm} - 1$  $50 \times 35 \text{ cm} - 1$  $40 \times 50 \text{ cm} - 1$ 40 x 30 cm - 37  $40 \times 28 \text{ cm} - 7$  $40 \times 26 \text{ cm} - 2$  $40 \times 25 \text{ cm} - 6$  $35 \times 55 \text{ cm} - 2$ 32 x 30 cm - 1  $30 \times 45 \text{ cm} - 2$  $30 \times 40 \text{ cm} - 53$  $30 \times 29 \text{ cm} - 1$ 29 x 40 cm - 1  $28 \times 40 \text{ cm} - 3$ 27 x 40 cm - 19  $25 \times 40 \text{ cm} - 4$ 

25 x 100 cm - 1

### **Exhibiting conditions:**

- Illumination 50 lx
- Temperature 16–22°C (±) 2 degrees
- Relative humidity 45–55% (±) 2.5%
- Transportation of exhibits:
   Lumiere Gallery Museum
- Lumiere Gallery
- Insurance of exhibits:
   Lumiere Gallery Museum
   Lumiere Gallery

## The Lumiere Gallery will gladly provide you with the following additional options for your venue:

- Audio guide with information on exhibits
- (read by Andrey Makarevich)
- Design services (oracal, badges, printing work, exposition design)
- Educational program development: guided tours, lectures, workshops
- · Reading materials:
- 1. Press packs for media publications (Russian /English)
- 2. Quotes (Russian /English)
- Publishing information about the exhibition on the Center for Photography official pages:

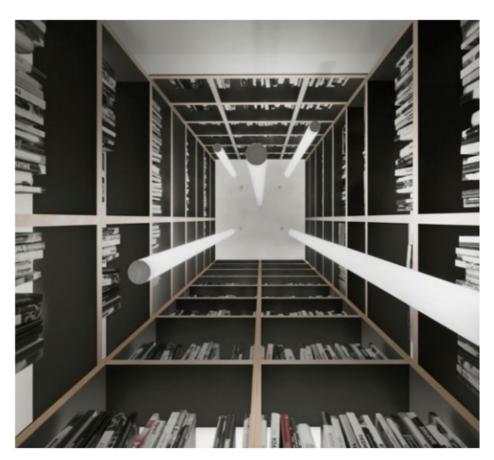
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### **ABOUT THE LUMIERE GALLERY**

The Lumiere Gallery, founded in 2001 by Natalia Grigorieva-Litvinskaya, is one of the oldest galleries in Moscow specializing in photographic art. The Gallery presents pieces by renowned Soviet and foreign photographers and collaborates with modern artists. Since the Gallery opened, a collection of Soviet photographs has been created that covers the period between the 1920s and the 1990s and includes 13,300 authors' prints.

The Gallery has held more than 200 exhibitions and published 11 authors' monographs dedicated to Soviet photographic art.

Exhibition projects organized by our curators are offered to museums in Russia and abroad.



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