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#### **Professional Experience and Curriculum Vitae**

Portrait and Architectural Photography for Editorial, Corporate and Advertising Clients. Based in Hong Kong.

#### **Previous Clientele**

Swire Pacific, Alain Mikli, Coach, Hermes, Deutsche Bank, UBS, Cathay Pacific Airways, Adidas, HSBC, Peninsula Hotels, Mandarin Oriental, Frame, Mark, Giorgio Armani, Vogue China, Vogue Living Australia, Forbes, Das Magazin, Taschen, Qvest, Wallpaper.

#### **Awards and Accolades**

Virgile Simon Bertrand is a French photographer who has been based in Asia since the late 1990s. Bertrand studied Applied Arts at Ecole Boulle (1988 - 1991, Paris), Graphic Design at Ecole Duperré (Paris) and Photography at the Ecole Nationale de la Photographie (1993, Arles). Virgile began his career assisting Magnum photographer Abbas and working as a photographer for the Opéra National de Paris. Virgile's interest in the relationship between the individual, space and scale permeates both his fine art photography and his commercial work and began with his first major projects for the Opéra and for Donald Byrd/The Group in New York. After completing his National Service at the Service Photographique des Armées, Bertrand moved to Asia, establishing a successful commercial practice. His work has been commissioned by architects such as Zaha Hadid Associates, Office for Metropolitan Architecture, Cesar Pelli and RMJM and published in magazines such as Qvest, Interni, ID, Vogue, Forbes, Wallpaper, Intramuros and Mark. In 2004 Bertrand was awarded the Foreign Correspondents' Club Hong Kong Photograph of the Year for his portrait of Cardinal Zen and was a finalist in the 'Best Commissioned Portrait' category for the 2009 AOP Awards. His work has been exhibited in Taipei, Hong Kong, Paris, Arles and in London in the 2008 Taylor Wessing Photographic Portrait Prize exhibition at The National Portrait Gallery. Bertrand has also been selected as one of ten finalists in the Architectural Category of the 2009 Hasselblad Masters Competition. In 2009 a retrospective of Virgile's work under the title Proxemics was held at Artistree, and was recognized as the best exhibitions of 2009 by the South China Morning Post.

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2010 SOPA AWARDS (Excellence in Feature Photography - WINNER)
2009 HASSELBLAD MASTERS AWARDS (ARCHITECTURE - FINALIST)
2009 ASSOCIATION OF PHOTOGRAPHERS AWARDS (UK) (LOCATION PORTRAITURE - FINALIST)

2008 TAYLOR WESSING PHOTOGRAPHIC Singapore 239098 (co. reg. 201004398N) PORTRAIT PRIZE exhibition at The National helpdesk 656.227.2902, fax 656.227.0213

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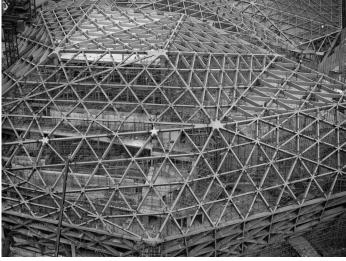
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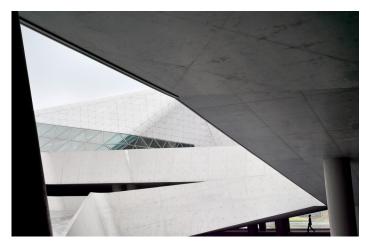


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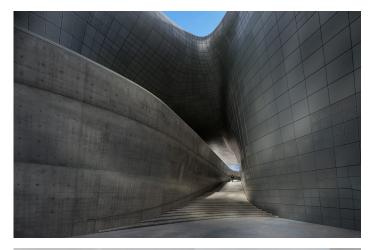
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