

Josef Koudelka Biography

1938	Born in Moravia, Czechoslovakia
1956 - 1961	Degree in Engineering, The Technical University of Prague, Czechoslovakia
1961	About the same time that he started his career as an aeronautical engineer in 1961 he also began photographing Gypsies in Czechoslovakia and theater in Prague
1967	He turned full-time to photography
1967	Award by Union of Czechoslovakian Artists, Czechoslovakia
1969	Robert Capa Gold Medal Award, National Press Photographers Association, USA
1970	Left Czechoslovakia for political asylum
1972	British Arts Council Grant to cover Kendal and Southend, UK
1973	British Arts Council Grant to cover Gypsy life in Britain, UK
1974	Member of Magnum Photos
1976	British Arts Council Grant to cover life in the British Isles, UK
1978	Prix Nadar, France
1980	National Endowment for the Arts Council, USA
1987	Grand Prix Henri Cartier-Bresson, France
1991	Grand Prix Henri Cartier-Bresson, France
1992	Erna and Victor Hasselblad Foundation Photography Prize, Sweden
2004	Cornell Capa Infinity Award, International Center of Photography, USA

Selected Exhibitions

2003	Teatro del Tempo - Mercati di Traiano, Roma, Italy
2002 - 2003	Rétrospective - Rencontres Internationales de la Photographie, Arles, France; Rétrospective - Rencontres Internationales de la Photographie, Arles, France; Museo de Arte Contemporaneo, Monterrey, Mexico
2002	Josef Koudelka : Fotograf - National Gallery, Prague, Czech Republic
1999 - 2001	Chaos - Palazzo delle Esposizioni, Roma, Italy; Cantieri Culturali della Zisa, Palermo, Italy; Palazzo Marino alla Scala, Milano Italy; The Snellman Hall, Helsinki, Finland; sala de exposiciones de Plaza de Espana, Madrid, Spain
1998	Reconnaissance: Wales - National Museums and Galleries of Wales, Cardiff, UK
1995 - 1997	Periplanisis : following Ulysses' Gaze - Mylos, Thessaloniki, Greece; Zapeion, Athens, Greece; Centre culturel Una Volta, Bastia, France; ville de Rodez, France; Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo, Japan; Museo di Storia della Fotografia, Fratelli Alinari, Firenze, Italy
1994	Cerny trojuhelnik - Podkrusnohori : Fotografie 1990 -1994 (Black Triangle) - Salmovsky Palac, Prague, Czech Republic
1990	Josef Koudelka z Fotografického Dila 1958-1990 - Umeleckoprumyslové, Prague, Czechoslovakia
1989	Josef Koudelka, Mission Transmanche - galerie de l'ancienne poste, Calais, France
1988 - 1989	Josef Koudelka, Centre National de la Photographie, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France; International Center of Photography, New York, USA; Akademie der Künste, Berlin; Museum Folkwang, Essen, Germany; IVAM, Valencia, Spain

- 1984 Josef Koudelka - Hayward Gallery, London, UK
- 1977 Gitans: la fin du voyage, Galerie Delpire, Paris; Kunsthaus Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland; The Tel-Aviv Museum, Israel; Victoria & Albert Museum
- 1975 Josef Koudelka - The Museum of Modern Art, New York, USA
- 1968 Josef Koudela: Divaldeni fotografie – 1965-1968, Divadlo za branou, Prague, Czechoslovakia
- 1967 Josef Koudela: Cikáni – 1961-1966 - Divadlo za branou, Prague, Czechoslovakia
- 1961 Divadlo Semafor, Prague, Czechoslovakia

Literature

- 2006 Koudelka, Delpire, France; Contrasto, Italy; Aperture, USA; Thames & Hudson, UK; Braus, Germany; Lunweg, Spain; Fototorst, Czech Republic
- 2006 Koudelka: Camargue, Actes Sud, France
- 2004 L'épreuve totalitaire (essay by Jean-Pierre Montier), Delpire, France
- 2003 Théâtre du Temps, Actes Sud, France; (Teatro del Tempo), Peliti Associati, Italy; Apeiron, Greece
- 2001 Lime Stone, La Martinière, France
- 1999 Chaos, Nathan/Delpire, France; Phaidon Press, UK; Federico Motta Editore, Italy
- 1998 Reconnaissance Wales, Ffotogallery/ National Museums and Galleries of Wales, Cardiff, UK
- 1988 - 1997 Exils, Centre National de la Photographie, France; Delpire éditeur, France (Exiles), Aperture, USA; Thames & Hudson, UK
- 1994 Cerný Trojuhelník - Podkrušnohří : Fotografie 1990-1994 (The Black Triangle: The Foothills of the Ore Mountain) Vesmir, Czech Republic
- 1993 Josef Koudelka, Hasselblad Center, Sweden
- 1993 Josef Koudelka: Fotografie Divadlo za branou 1965-1970, Divadlo za Branou II, Josef Koudelka: Fotografie Divadlo za branou 1965-1970, Divadlo za Branou II,
- 1990 Prague 1968, Centre National de la Photographie, France
- 1990 Animal, Trois Cailloux/maison de la Culture d'Amiens, France
- 1989 Mission Photographique Transmanche, Editions de la Différence, France
- 1984 Photo Poche, Centre National de la Photographie, France
- 1982 Josef Koudelka: I Grandi Fotografi, Gruppo Editoriale Fabbri, Italy
- 1975 Gitans : la fin du voyage, Delpire, France; (Gypsies), Aperture, USA
- 1966 Kral Ubu: Rozbor inscenace Divadla Na Zbradli v Praze (with Alfred Jarry) Divadelni Ustav, Czechoslovakia
- 1965 Diskutujeme o moralce dneska, Nakladatelstvi Politické Literatury, Czechoslovakia