

20 Patrick Putze Veteran Artist

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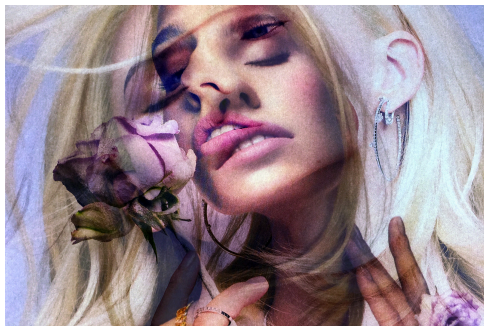
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Artist Statement: Patrick Gale Putze is an artist, a filmmaker, a writer, and a veteran of the United States Air Force, retiring after 21 years of service in 2011. He holds a BFA, emphasizing in photography from the University of Texas at San Antonio, and a MA in Journalism from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. His practice is based in the camera arts of photography and filmmaking. Patrick also paints and works across several other mediums. Much of his art is focused on his concerns about societal observation—seemingly a complete lack of it—and investigation of his surroundings. Our place in this world is constantly in flux, and much of his still photographic work seeks to capture these singular places in time, as well as comment on his own biography and his place in the larger scheme of things.

Patrick is currently in pre-production on two documentary films. *Joe: Coming Home* focuses on a man who is all at once the sweetest, most giving man you have ever met; a Vietnam veteran who is a life-long artist. The film will encapsulate the veteran artist's struggles with PTSD and how his childhood and the Vietnam War changed his world, shaping his artwork in the process. The second film tackles veteran issues of disability and the re-acclimation to civilian life—a continuous struggle for many who have served, particularly those who have served in the ongoing wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. In addition, he is about to launch his own documentary film production company to tackle small scale productions. A Reel Close Look Studios will focus on veteran and other worthy activism related short films that seek to help groups of people, or individuals whose stories have been mostly ignored or perhaps need a fresh set of eyes to help give a little extra boost. Patrick also is exploring old and new forms of media in 2024, so keep an eye out and your ears to the ground!



A Rose By Any Other Name, Archival Digital Photograph, 36"x24", 2022



Bang! Bang!, Digital Archival Photograph, 36"x24", 2022