

CV

Ian Beesley

Born Bradford 1954

Artist and Social documentary photographer

Course leader of the MA Photography University of Bolton

Awards and scholarships

2013

International Industrial Photography award for outstanding contribution to the documentation of workers. Peoples Government of Tiexi District China and the China Photographers Association

2012

Honorary Fellowship Royal Photographic Society

2011-16

Medical research council award for health and wellbeing study into the effects of ageing

2008

Major Arts Council award for the Born in Bradford project.

Nominated for the fellow in photography at the National Media Museum

2007

Arts for Business award with Ian McMillan to work with Yorkshire Water workforce producing words and images.

2003

Heritage Lottery Fund Award for the Meltdown project.

1992

Nominated for Ilford black and white printer of the year.

1991

Pirelli/Southampton Art Gallery Award.

1987

National Museum of Photography Award to photograph the demise of the Wool trade.

1982

Lincolnshire & Humberside Arts Photographic Award to commemorate the opening of the Humber Bridge

1978

Yorkshire Arts Association Scholarship

1977

Kodak Scholarship for Social Documentation

Artist in residence

2015

Chetham's Library Manchester

Gallery Oldham

Born in Bradford & the Bradford Institute of health research

University of Bristol School of community and social medicine

2014

Doncaster & Rotherham Council with the Sheffield Hallam University
Gallery Oldham

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2013

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2012

The Castle Market Sheffield

St Georges Hospital London

St Lukes Hospital Bradford.

Born in Bradford, Bradford institute for Health Research

2011

Thackray Medical Museum/ De Puy, Leeds

Born in Bradford, Bradford institute for Health Research

2010

Tetley's Brewery, Leeds

Born in Bradford, Bradford institute for Health Research

2009

National Museum for Coal Mining and Hayroyds Colliery

Born in Bradford, Bradford institute for Health Research

2008

Bradford area teaching hospitals and primary health care trust

Born in Bradford

Yorkshire Water

2007

Yorkshire Water

Outokumpu Steel Works Sheffield

2006

Yorkshire Water

2004

Hydro/West Yorkshire Foundries

2002

Bradford Bulls Rugby League Clu

2001

Kirkstall Forge Leeds

2000

Bradford City Football Club

1996-7

For the Centenary of Bradford as a City.

1996

Age Concern the year of the elderly based in Lancaster.

1995

The Moor Hospital Lancaster

1994

Pirelli General Submarine Cable Factory Southampton

1990

St Johns Hospice Lancaster

1989

Vero & Everitt Hat Manufacturing Co Atherstone Warwickshire.

1982

Webster's Brewery Halifax West Yorkshire.

Selected exhibitions

2014

"A boxful of cuckoos"

Gallery Oldham

October to December

2013

"A place of work"

Milan Photo festival Italy

October

"A place of work" a major retrospective

And

The exhibition

Photography and Industrial society

Curated by Ian Beesley

International Industrial photography festival Shengyang China September

2012

Sporting Heroes
Gallery Oldham
July to September

2011

The Drift
National Coal Mining Museum for England Feb- April
Liverpool International Photo-festival May
Orange Photo-festival Huang China September

2010

“The North South Divide”
Gallery Oldham
April-May

2009

Born in Bradford
Bradford number one gallery May -July

Baby-picturing the ideal human 1840's to the present day
National Media Museum Feb-April

2008

Recent acquisitions.
The Smithsonian Institute Washington DC USA

2007

The Myth of the North
The Lowry Salford Quays

Seeing is Believing
Gallery Oldham
Feb-April

2006

A Place of Work.
The National Museum of work Tampere Finland, then touring Museum of
industrial culture Outokumpu and the Museum of industry Porvoo.

2005

Street Corners
Smith Art Gallery
Brighouse
Jan-March

2004

Meltdown images from a Yorkshire Foundry
Leeds Industrial Museum

Voices
Gallery Oldham
Sept

2003

The Art of Clubbing
Piece Hall Art Gallery Halifax
Oct-Dec

2002

Heavy Metal Images of the Kirkstall Forge
Leeds Industrial Museum

The Power, The Pride, The Passion – Bradford Bulls
Cartwright Hall Art Gallery
Bradford

2001

Claret and amber in black and white.
National Museum of Photography film and television

2000

The Last Victorians portraits of Centenarians
Touring
Piece Hall Art Gallery Halifax, Yeovil Art Gallery, The Smith Art Gallery
Brighouse, Hull City Art Gallery, Huddersfield Art Gallery.

1999

Scraping the surface
Images from the coalfields
National Coal Mining Museum

Whistling Past the Graveyard
The Harris Museum & Art Gallery Preston
Shibden Hall Halifax

1998

Edge of Darkness – images made between the sunset and the moonrise

Cliff Castle Museum
Keighley

Mr Prestwich's Improvement 125 years of the Protector Lamp & lighting Co
National Coal Mining Museum March –July
Lancashire Mining Museum Nov – Dec

1997

Dreams & Promises
Portraits of Bradfordians 1897 to 1997
City Hall Bradford
July –August
Then UK tour of Morrison's Supermarkets

1996

Forgotten Army veterans of Burma.
The Imperial War Museum London and the National Museum of Photography
August-October

1994

Pirelli – The End of an Era Southampton Art Gallery April-June

1993

Cotton Factory Times The National Museum of Labour History
Manchester Sept 92-March 93

1991

Lancashire Cotton Yorkshire Wool Viewpoint Gallery Salford
September to December

The Experts Eye – Electronic Stills with David Hockney and Steve Pyke
The National Museum of Photography, Film and Television Bradford.

1990

North Light Photographs of the Cotton and Wool Industries of the North
The Wool Exchange Bradford April-May

1989

Light Satanic Mills
The Photographers Gallery London August to September

The Last Felt Hat Makers
The National Museum of Photography Film & Television Bradford
Warwick County Museum.

1988

Victorian Bradford

The National Museum of Photography Film & Television Bradford.
April-October

1987

Through The Mill
National Museum of Photography Film & Television Bradford
May-July

1983

Last Orders – Goodbye the Moulders Arms
Bolling Hall Museum Bradford
Jan-Feb

1982

Where Sky and Water Meets Landscapes of Humberside
Posterngate Gallery Hull
March –April

1978

A Place of Work Bradford City Art Galleries and Museums
Oct-Nov

Conference papers

2011

“Reliving the past, exploring the present” Photography and the city
Royal Photographic Society Conference
The National Media Museum Bradford, October.

“The Drift” The photographer and the artists book Manchester Metropolitan
University

2010

The Narrators Gaze
National Museum of Coal Mining for England Conference
February

“Documentation, Participation and Collaboration”
The Spirit of the Age
Royal Photographic Society Conference
Birmingham City University

2009

“1/125 of a second” The International Committee for the Conservation of the
Industrial Heritage conference Freiberg Germany August

2008

The Ethnographic Photographer – Blood, Sweat, Toil and Tears
Royal Photographic Society- Documentary Lecture
National Media Museum Bradford
October

“You’re not singing anymore” Recording Leisure Lives Conference
University of Bolton April

2007

“Documentation, participation & ownership” Steel cities conference
University of Sheffield July.

Publications

Taraxacum Officinale	The Darkroom press	2014
Magic Lantern Tales	The Darkroom press	2014
Born in Bradford	The Darkroom press	2014
A box full of cuckoos	The Darkroom press	2014
The Book of damp	The Darkroom press	2014
Born in Bradford	Incline Press	2012
T’Ales	Carlsberg/DRP	2011
The Drift	NCME	2011
The Leap	The Darkroom Press	2010
Shining Out	The Darkroom Press	2006
Meltdown	Heads together productions	2004
The End of the Shed	The Darkroom Press	2001
Heavy Metal	The Darkroom Press	2002
Orphans of the Fallout	The Darkroom Press	2001
The Power, the Pride, the Passion	The Darkroom Press	2001
Building Sights	Leeds City Council	2001
Claret & Amber	The Darkroom press/NMPFTV	2000
A Place of Work	The Keeled University press	1995
Leeds Architectural Heritage	Ryburn Publishing	1993
Victorian Manchester & Salford	Ryburn Publishing	1988
Calderdale	Ryburn Publishing	1988
Warwickshire Hatters	Ryburn Publishing	1988
Now I can tell	McMillan Press	1990
Victorian Bradford	Ryburn Publishing	1987
Through the Mill	NMPFTV	1987
Where Sky & Water Meet	Arts Council	1982

Collections

The Arts Council Great Britain
Bradford City art galleries and museums
Calderdale museums and art galleries
The Imperial War Museum London
Leeds City art galleries and museums
National Museum of Labour History Manchester
National Museum of Labour Helsinki
National Museum of Coal Mining Wakefield
National Media Museum Bradford
The Science Museum London
Salford Art Gallery
The Smithsonian Washington USA

Film and Television

Cameraman Granada TV	documentaries and news
35 up	1991
28 up	1984
The Strangeways riot	1990
World in action	1985-89
Disappearing world	1989
Pravda	1985
Human Jigsaw	1984
This England	1984-86
Location finder	
Terry Gilliam's Brazil	1985
1984	1984
Pythons The Meaning of Life	1983
Ascendancy	1982