

Street Photography

An Introduction for New Photographers

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Disclaimer

- For new photographers that are exploring different types of photography
- Based off my personal experience as a photographer for 15 years
- Won't be discussing technical parts of photography(ie: Shutter, Aperture, ISO)

Street Photography

- Photography conducted for art or enquiry that features unmediated chance encounters and random incident within public places
- Street photography does not necessitate the presence of a street or even the urban environment.
- Though people usually feature directly, street photography might be absent of people and can be of an object or environment where the image projects a decidedly human character in facsimile or aesthetic.

Differences between other forms of photography

- Portrait photography
- Landscape photography
- Action photography
- All of these are related to street photography in some way

Famous Street Photographers

- Henri Cartier-Bresson
- Garry Winogrand
- Vivian Maier
- Alex Webb

Henri Cartier-Bresson

August 22, 1908 – August 3, 2004

- Considered master of street photography
- Conceived of photography as capturing a decisive moment
- His work has influenced many photographers









Garry Winogrand

14 January 1928 – 19 March 1984

- Famous for capturing the streets of New York
- Published 4 books on street photography, and has had 20+ exhibitions
- In the 1960s and 70s, he defined street photography as an attitude as well as a style







Vivian Maier

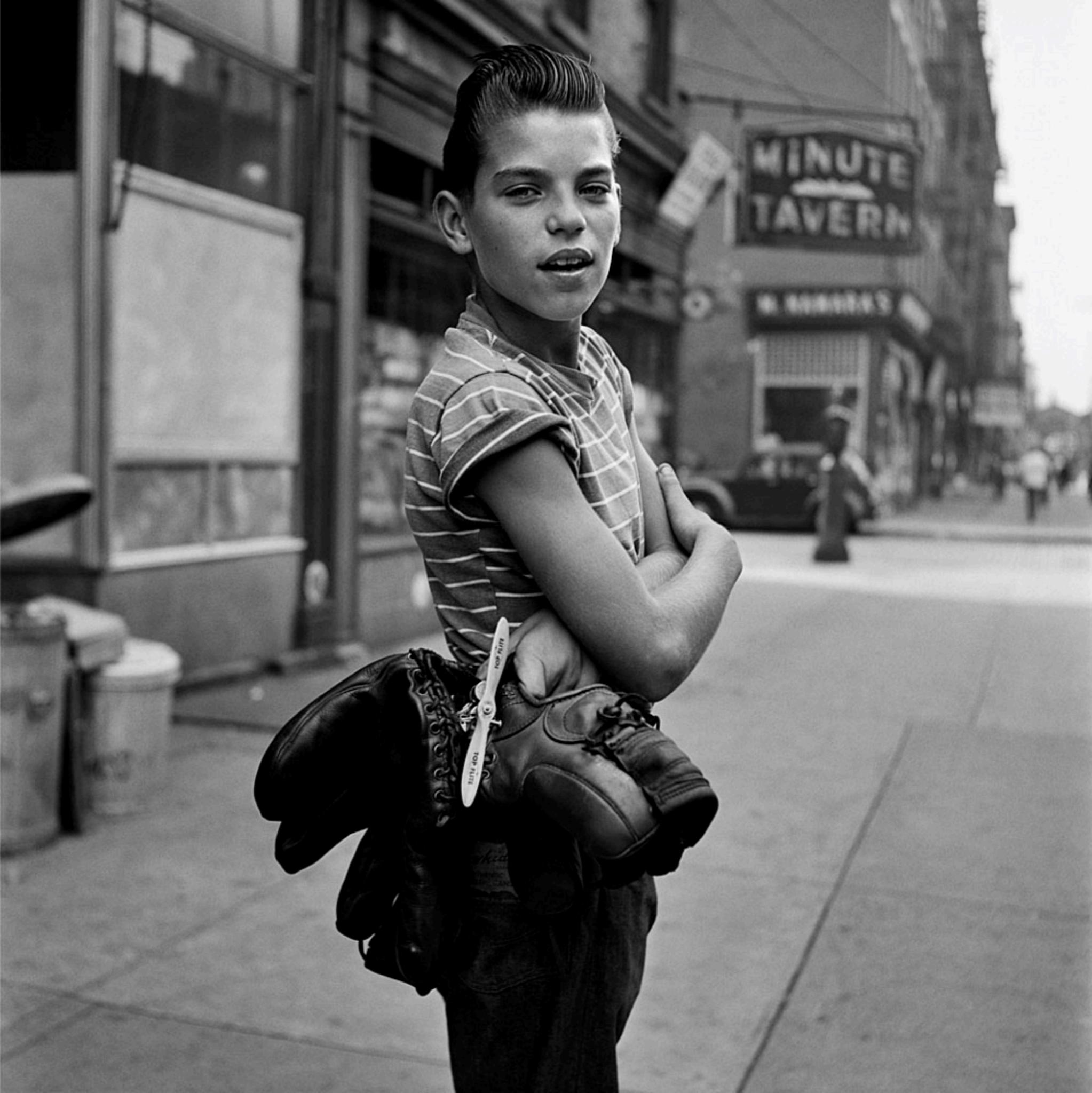
February 1, 1926 – April 21, 2009

- Maier worked for about forty years as a nanny, mostly in Chicago's North Shore, pursuing photography during her spare time
- Took more than 150,000 photographs during her lifetime, primarily of the people and architecture of New York City, Chicago, and Los Angeles
- Maier's photographs were unknown and unpublished; many of her negatives were never printed

- Chicago collector, John Maloof, acquired some of Maier's photos in 2007, while two other Chicago-based collectors, Ron Slattery and Randy Prow, also found some of Maier's prints and negatives in her boxes and suitcases around the same time. Maier's photographs were first published on the Internet in July 2008











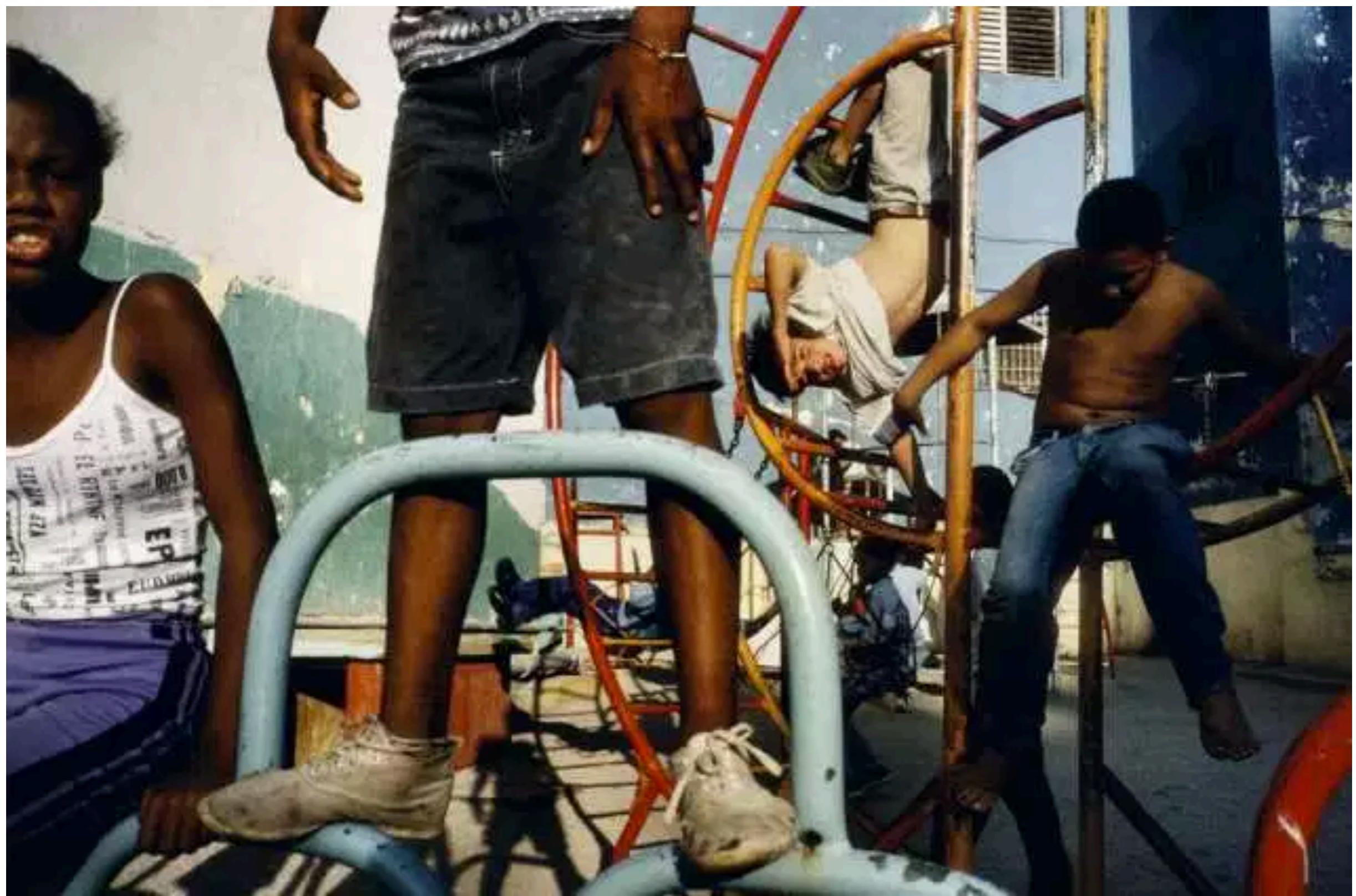


Alex Webb

born 5 May 1952

- Works for Magnum, most prestigious photography firm
- Dozen books published, works for Nat Geo, Time, and the New York Times
- Big on composition and timing of photos
- Color photos!

















Basic Techniques for Street Photography

- Lines to guide the eyes
- Framing of subject
- Timing of capture
- Movement & motion(panning)

Camera Setup for Street Photography

- Any camera works, preferably a smaller camera that is less noticeable
- A prime lens, with a range between 28mm and 50mm
- Stay away from Zoom lenses if possible(too much attention)

Tips for Street Photography

- Shoot as much as possible
- Don't hesitate, follow your gut, but be safe and respectful
- Be respectful of your subjects, don't make people feel uncomfortable
- Smile when shooting
- Don't shoot from the hip
- Don't crop your images, and try to keep your photo straight
- Study great photographers
- Focus on the basics, lines, framing, timing, movement

The End

Q&A Time

Walk around **rescheduled** from Tomorrow to next week **Saturday at Noon**
25% Discount for Next Week