

**Maria Gutu**

(b. 1996, Moldova) lives and works in Chișinău, Moldova.

**EDUCATION:**

2016-2020

Bachelor Degree - Audiovisual Arts-Cinematography Academy of Music, Theater and Fine Arts (AMTAP), Chișinău, Moldova.

2021-2022

School of Modern Photography Docdocdoc, Sankt Petersburg.

In 2018 she became one of 30 women photographers under 30 years by Artpil. In 2019 she received a CDFD(Centre of Documentary Photography) grant, Bucharest, Romania.

In 2020 she became a finalist of 2020 People Photography Award by The Independent Photographer. From 2021 Maria is a member of Women Photograph.

In 2022 she was shortlisted at Sony World Photography Awards, Open Competition: Portraiture.

**EXHIBITIONS:**

She had collective exhibitions in: Romania, France and The United States. Maria is interested in documentary photography, remote places, youth, notion of home and the relation between humans and environment.

**AWARDS:**

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2021

Member of WomenPhotograph. [Women Photograph](#)

2022

Shortlisted at Sony World Photography Awards, Open Competition: [Portraiture Portraiture - 2022 Open competition | World Photography Organisation](#)

2022

Shortlisted at The Kranj Foto Fest's Open Call HOME: a State of Transition [2022 KRANJ FOTO FEST OPEN CALL WINNERS ANNOUNCED!](#)

2023

Image selected at Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania & Moldova Regional Awards Shortlist at the Sony World Photography Awards. Portraiture - 20 Exceptional National Winners Of Sony World Photography Awards (forbes.com) Chipul Mădălinei de la Vărăncău cu pistri și ochi albaștri, a cucerit un prestigios concurs internațional de fotografie - Observatorul de Nord

2023

Shortlisted in British Journal of Photography, Portrait of Humanity Volume 5.