



ELENA LEVKOVSKAYA

Revival: a journey towards peace and freedom

Limited edition print, ed.1/1

150x100 cm

Hahnemuhle photo rag paper 308gsm, archival inks,

Signed by the artist and comes with the certificate of authenticity

Elena Levkovskaya (aka Olena Levkivska) is a self-taught fine art portraiture, beauty, fashion editorial photographer and painter born in Kyiv, Ukraine and now based in Sydney, Australia. Her work focuses on artistically capturing the beauty of her subject, regardless of the genre.

Elena is the recipient of numerous awards including 'Top 30 Photographer of the Year 2018', Australia. In 2020 she was included in the list and published in the book 'Leaders in Contemporary Art', which is a captivating documentation of today's leading contemporary artists showcasing current artwork of the highest calibre. Her photographs have been exhibited in Sydney and featured in magazines across the globe, including Vogue Italia and L'Officiel Australial.

"Photography allows me to show the beauty that I see. I literally put it in the spotlight, enhancing it and making it evident. I use my skills to find and show my respect with admiration for the hidden and unhidden treasures of the subject I photograph, where every detail has meaning and place.

As a photographer and painter, I love to combine the beauty of human bodies and paint and/or other media, so you may find my artworks full of textures. For me, this combination is the

purest and the most honest depiction of the subject with a hidden message. Always. Every element is in its right place and uncovers the story. The compound of these elements is my distinctive feature. This is my identity."

The artwork is named *'Revival: a journey towards peace and freedom'* and depicts interconnected symbolic images of the dove and its shadow illuminated in the yellow and blue colours as Ukraine fighting for freedom and peace. Every element on the image has its right place and meaning:

Hands - symbolises the ability to create. The choice to do so is literally in our hands.

Dove - symbolises peace, love, devotion, grace, purity, the human soul, and hope.

White paint enhances a symbol of purity and symbolises the desire to do the right thing. Cracks and uncovered areas remind us that there is no exceptional truth, nothing and nobody is perfect, especially during complex historical events.

Dark areas are a symbol of past evil that can be easily illuminated as it is just a shadow.

Blue and yellow colours - are symbolic of Ukraine, the official colours of the Ukrainian flag.

Shadow direction states that Ukraine will revive.

A neutral background is chosen instead of a blue sky to suggest that the world is changing.

The artwork is framed in a white floating frame and adds a feeling of air and light to the wall.

Published:

[Curatorial V.2 Leaders in Contemporary Art 2020](#) (book)

APÉRO Catalogue (the USA) - December 2019 (book)

[VIGOUR Magazine](#) - July 2021

[Miss Earth Magazine](#) - July 2021

[Angels Australia](#) - February 2021

[Vogue Italia](#) - October 2020

[FEROCE Magazine](#) - The POC Annual October 2020

ASC Fashion Magazine (New York) - October 2020

[MOSS Magazine \(Australia\)](#) - September 2020

Mob Journal (the USA) - August 2020

[L'Officiel Australia](#) - July 2020

[MOEVIR Magazine](#) (France) - March 2020

VZSN Magazine (Atlanta, GA) - February 2020

STYLÉ CRUZE Magazine (the USA) - January 2020

VOGUE Italia - December 2019

CREATORS Magazine (Canada) - October 2019

SHUBA Magazine (Russia) - Fashion | October 2019

MONACO MADAME (Monaco)- Fashion | September 2019

ELEGANT Magazine (the USA) - Fashion | August 2019

IMIRAGE (Canada) - No 436 | Beauty | May 2019

FADDY Magazine (Italy) - Beauty | April 2019

SALYSE Magazine (Columbia, MD, USA)- Beauty | March 2019

FADDY Magazine (Italy) - Fashion | February 2019

ELEGANT Magazine (the USA) - Fashion | January 2019

Exhibitions:

2019 "Evoke" RAW: natural born artists, Sydney, Australia

2018 "Ovation" RAW: natural born artists, Sydney, Australia

Awards:

"Artist of the Year 2021" 49th International Artavita Art contest, USA - finalist

Top 35 Australia Photographers in 5th 35Awards International Photography Award 2020

Top 8% Photographer 2019 in Art Photography Category in 35 Awards (International)

Top 30 in Fremantle International Portrait Prize (FIPP) 2019

Photographer of the Year 2018 - Australian Photography Award, Top 30 photo of the year.

2019 Highly Commended in the Mono Awards 2019, Capture Magazine, Australia.

2019 Highly Commended in Photo of the Year Category, Australian Photography Magazine, Australia.

35 Awards "100 best photos of the Year", International Annual Photo Award 2017 - top 20 Australia, certificate of participation.

35 Awards "100 best photos of the Year", International Annual Photo Award 2016 - 2nd stage.

Social Media Handles

<https://www.levkovskaya.com/>

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<https://instagram.com/e.l.photographer>

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<https://bluethumb.com.au/elena-levkovskaya>

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