



Space Studio & Gallery
presents...

Samantha Matthews

Born in Whanganui, Samantha Matthews' (1988-) photography practice engages with both the familiar and unfamiliar spaces of everyday life in Aotearoa New Zealand. Whether investigating personal sites of family history or exploring new environments with her camera, Matthews' photography interrogates and makes visible the tensions between our sense of memory, nostalgia and place.

Education:

2010 - Bachelor of Applied Visual Imaging, UCOL, Manawatu

2011 - Postgraduate Diploma in Visual Art, Dunedin School of Art, Otago Polytechnic

2013 - Master of Art and Design, Auckland University of Technology



Recent Exhibitions:

2026 - Slow Burn: Women and Photography, Ahi Tāmau: Māreikura Whakaahu' at Te Papa Tongarewa

2024 - Cool Change, Space Studio & Gallery

2023 - Selected Works, Article Cafe

2022 - Land / Scape, Space Studio & Gallery

2021-Here and There, Space Studio & Gallery

Notable Collections & Awards:

Te Whare o Rehua Sarjeant Gallery
Te Papa

Awards: 2014 - Finalist National Contemporary Art Award

2011 - Two Bronze Awards, NZIPP Iris Awards

2010 - Silver with Distinction and Bronze Award
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