

MANUEL ÀLVAREZ BRAVO

Born 1902 in Mexico City, died 2002

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 1974: Elias Sourasky Arts Priza, Secretaria de Educacion Publica
- 1975: John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship
- 1981: Named Officier de l'Ordre des Artes and des Lettres by the French Government
- 1984: Hasselblad Prize, Sweden
- 1986: Rochester Institute of Technology Adolph Brehm Award
- 1987: International Center for Photography's Master of Photography Award
- 1991: Hugo Erfurth International Photography Award
- 1992: Tlacuilo de Plata Award from Salón de la Plástica Mexicana
- 1993: Named "Creador Emerito" by the Consejo Nacional para la Cultura y las Artes
- 1996: Lifetime Achievement Award from the College Art Association of New York
- 1996: Century Award from the Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2022: Everyday Theatre, The Photographers Gallery([opens in new tab](#)), London
- 2020: Manuel Alvarez Bravo: Specters and Parables, The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art, Florida
- 2019: Manuel Álvarez Bravo: Photopoetry, The Photographers' Gallery, London
- 2017: Manuel Álvarez Bravo: Mexico's Poet of Light, Frye Art Museum, Seattle
- 2002: Museo Nacional de Arte, Mexico, Art Museum, Macao, China
- 2001: Optical parables, J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, USA
- 1992: Por pur placer: 40 fotografías en platino. Galeria Huan Martin, Mexico City
- 1990: Revelaciones: The Art of Manuel Álvarez Bravo, Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, CA; travelled to San Francisco, Detroit, Kansas City, Santa Barbara, Haverford PA, Miami, Cambridge, Vancouver, Salt Lake City, Phoenix, New York
- 1986: Manuel Álvarez Bravo: 303 photographies 1920-1986, Musée d'Arte Moderne de Ville de Paris
- 1983: Dreams—Visions—Metaphors: The Photographs of Manuel Álvarez Bravo. Israel Museum, Jerusalem
- 1978: M. Álvarez Bravo Retrospective. Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, DC, New York, Tucson, Corpus Christi, Long Beach, Toledo, Cambridge
- 1975: Manuel Álvarez Bravo: Photographs. The Witkin Gallery, NY
- 1971: Manuel Álvarez Bravo, Pasadena Art Museum. Pasadena Arts Museum, MOMA NY, SFMOMA, George Eastman House, Rochester, NY
- 1968: Manuel Álvarez Bravo: Fotografías de 1928-1968. Palacia de Bellas Artes
- 1955: The Family of Man, Museum of Modern Art, NY
- 1943: Photographs of Manuel Álvarez Bravo. The Art Institute of Chicago
- 1942: Manuel Álvarez Bravo. Photo League Gallery, NY

1932: Exposición: Fotografías de Manuel Alvarez Bravo. Galería Posada, Mexico City

MAJOR COLLECTIONS

Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes (Museo de Arte Moderno, Mexico City)
Fundación Televisa, Mexico City
Fomento Cultural Banamex, Mexico City
Bibliothèque Nationale, Paris, France
Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris, Paris, France
Erna and Victor hasselblad, Leverkusen, Sweden
The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
The George Eastman House, Rochester, NY
Pasadena Art Museum, Pasadena, CA
Museum de Arte Moderno, Caracas, Venezuela
Museum of Modern Art, Kyoto, Japan
Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
The J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA
The Victoria and Albert Museum, London, UK
Philadelphia Museum of Modern Art, Philadelphia, PA
New Orleans Museum of Modern Art, New Orleans, LA
Center for Creative Photographs, Tucson, AZ

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2008: Manuel Álvarez Bravo, Photopoetry, Thames & Hudson, London, UK
2007: Sheridan, Guillermo: Manuel Álvarez Bravo, Rose Shoshana Gallery, Santa Monica, USA
2006: Urbajtel, Colette: Manuel Álvarez Bravo, Tianguis, Céros, Librairie Serge Plantureux, Paris, France
2005: Urbajtel, Colette: Polaroids, editorial RM, Mexico
2003: Manuel Álvarez Bravo, Retrospectiva 1902-2002, Colección del Museo de Arte Moderno de México, Museo de Arte Moderno de Bogotá, Bogotá, Columbia
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