

# KAUNAS PHOTO 2017 – a Waterful festival



© **Dorota Dawidowicz** (Poland) Kaunas Photo festival team, from left to right: Donatas Stankevičius, Ignas Kavaliauskas, Eglė Tamulytienė, Mindaugas Kavaliauskas, Kotryna Ūla Kiliulytė, Matas Laužadis. August 28, 2017

KAUNAS PHOTO 2017 is dedicated to exploring the theme of “Water” from multiple angles. Lithuanian and international artists will exhibit works, give public lectures and talks dealing with issues of ecology, environment, climate change and the significance of water for communities and nations around the world.

International photography festival KAUNAS PHOTO, now counting

it's 14th edition, continues the tradition of outdoor exhibitions started in 2014. Kaunas residents and city visitors will be treated to a number of photography shows dotted around the city. The open air exhibition of KAUNAS PHOTO 2017 will take place in the following locations: Chechnya Square, the base of Kaunas Castle, Vienybės (Unity) Square, courtyard at the 57 Juozapavičius prospektas, and the foot of Žaliakalnis hill funicular railway.

The inaugural exhibition of this year's festival, titled "Beach Season" is on at the M. Žilinskas Art Gallery of the M. K. Čiurlionis National Museum of Art from the 1st of June till the 3rd of September. The main events and exhibitions of KAUNAS PHOTO 2017 will take place in various galleries, museums and other creative spaces from the 1st of September until the end of October.

KAUNAS PHOTO is the longest existing annual photography festival in Lithuania and the Baltic States. Since it's first edition in 2004 it's been organised by the NGO „Šviesos raštas“ and is regarded to be one of the most important continuous art events in the country. KAUNAS PHOTO is a member of „Festivals of Light“ organisation. The founder and the director of the festival is Mindaugas Kavaliauskas.

KAUNAS PHOTO is supported by Lithuanian Culture Council, Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Lithuania, Kaunas City Council.

President Valdas Adamkus is the patron of the festival.

The festival team:

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**Donatas Stankevičius** (design and architecture of exhibitions)

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**Mindaugas Kavaliauskas** (leader)

and others.



Feature picture: Todd Johnson's "Fossils" exhibition on the square at the foot of Žaliakalnis funicular.