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**BIO**

Aaron Dougherty studied architecture at the University of Kansas and received Bachelor's degrees in Environmental Design and in Architecture in 1981 and 1982, respectively; studied sculpture for a semester at Kansas City Art Institute in 1987 and in 1995 earned certification in secondary education at Avila College in Kansas City.

He is a registered architect and practiced for 25 years until 2009 - though for one school year in 1996/97 he taught Chemistry at Shawnee Mission West High School in Kansas. In his summers off as a teacher he thought he'd fill his time doing architectural photography, only to be drawn out of teaching and back into architectural practice. In 2003 he returned to photography professionally, doing photos of the historic Folly Theater in Downtown Kansas City. For a time he did in-house photography for HOK Sport while employed there as an architect. Aaron Dougherty Photography opened its doors full-time in 2009 with an inaugural assignment photographing the new O2 World Arena in Berlin, Germany. He continues to split his time between architectural assignment photography and his "fine arts" work.

Solo exhibits in 2010 include his *Hand* series at the Kansas City Artists Coalition Underground gallery; *Zoo* series photos at Strenuous Offices in Overland Park, KS; *Junkyard* at the Arts Council of Metropolitan KC offices in Kansas City, MO. *Junkyard* was shown in 2009 at Plenum Space Gallery also in KC. In 2004 *Centering* showed at the Corridor Gallery, and *Cows* showed at LatteLand coffee shop in Kansas City. In 2002 *Centering* showed at LatteLand.

He's participated this year in the 2011 Artists Coalition Annual Auction. Group shows in 2010 include the Flat-Files exhibit at the Kansas City Art Institute's Block Art Space and the Artists Coalition Annual Auction. Previous group shows include Gallery 300 in HOK's offices in Kansas City, MO in 2009 and Holiday-a-Go-Go at Byron C. Cohen Gallery; KC, MO in 2003.

One of his photos is included in Rizzoli's *Architecture 2010* engagement calendar and another was selected for inclusion with *The 2004 Photo Review Competition Winners* in The Photo Review. He received an Honorable Mention in the AIA National Photography Competition in 2008 and 1st place & Honorable Mention in the B+W Pictorial category in the University of Kansas Student Photography Contest in 1981. Photos from that competition are held in the collection at the Spencer Museum of Art, Lawrence, KS.

Aaron Dougherty lives and works in Kansas City, MO.