

Alec Soth's Archived Blog

June 24, 2007

Paris Minnesota

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As the winner of my recent portfolio [review challenge](#), Grant Ernhart will be receiving a signed photograph from my new publication, **Paris Minnesota**:



Info about the project:

- [The Telegraph](#)
- [Libération](#)
- [Lens Culture](#)
- Party pictures [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), [here](#)
- Installation pictures [here](#)
- Buy the magazine at [PhotoEye](#) or [Magnum](#)

12 Comments

1. I might have to give a runner-up prize to [Rachel Hawthorn](#)

Comment by [Alec Soth](#) — June 24, 2007 @ [11:41 pm](#)

2. I've been having an on-going discussion on Formalism v Narrative (for lack of better terms) in photography, and Rachel's critique above concentrates on just that, searching for a story or human background behind the photograph, dissatisfied with just their formal beauty.

I appreciate her concerns, but I don't see this personally as a problem. But it's made realise just how differently people see work, and what different things they are searching for.

Comment by [guybatey](#) — June 25, 2007 @ [4:29 am](#)

3. will this be available in bookstores??

Comment by [patrick](#) — June 25, 2007 @ [3:25 pm](#)

4. Paris looks like it was GREAT! Now, where are the jumping pictures from Minnesota????

Comment by [karolina](#) — June 25, 2007 @ [3:52 pm](#)

5. Hi Alec -

wow, a runner up prize would be great. Let me finish them all first though. I am having fun with this!
thanks!

Comment by [Rachel Hawthorn](#) — June 25, 2007 @ [5:35 pm](#)

6. I am loving the image of you backstage at a big fashion show setting up your 8x10..... and then getting kicked out ! Looking forward to buying the magazine. R

Comment by [Robert Phillips](#) — June 25, 2007 @ [5:58 pm](#)

7. looks like a fun opening. especially with that huge bottle of champaign. Deliciously dangerous.

Comment by [Harlan Erskine](#) — June 26, 2007 @ [12:09 am](#)

8. Patrick, I'm not sure about bookstore distribution. There won't be too many released in the US. As it is a magazine, once it sells out, it will never be reprinted.

Comment by [Alec Soth](#) — June 26, 2007 @ [6:36 am](#)

9. [...] The best places to see more about Soth are Magnum and his own web site, and in particular his blog, which has some other links to articles on Paris Minnesota and to pictures of the opening. [...]

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10. [...] More information here [...]

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11. i remember finding mister Gilden's version of the fashion magazine for sale in a FNAC store... why wouldn't the same happen with this one?

Comment by [Tomé Duarte](#) — July 8, 2007 @ [11:02 am](#)

12. [...] I know Grant Ernhart's work from sharing some classes with him at the San Francisco Art Institute. Grant is one of those people who always stood out as someone who is dedicated, immensely talented and sort of intimidatingly prolific. I remember him as always being wonderfully articulate and open to giving and receiving feedback, as evidenced by his winning Alec Soth's portfolio review challenge back in June. [...]

Pingback by [Grant Ernhart at pink elephants](#) — November 1, 2007 @ [12:25 am](#)