

NICK COMPTON Beyond the Boundary



Private View Tuesday 6th November 6-9pm 2018
Exhibition continues 7-14th November

Maddox Gallery is delighted to present ***Beyond the Boundary***, the first solo exhibition by former England cricketer and photographer Nick Compton.

During a twenty-year professional career in cricket playing at the top of his field, South-African born Nick Compton was drawn to exploring and documenting the rich culture and daily life he experienced during time off in between games. Now on display for the first time, ***Beyond the Boundary*** will feature previously unseen images taken by Compton during his travels from Canada, to Malta, New Zealand, America, Australia, India, Sri Lanka, South Africa and Bangladesh whilst playing cricket for his country.

A grizzly bear swims through Alaskan waters; a game of cricket is played on the street on a hot Mumbai morning; a young Nepalese girl shares a secret smile - these are all intimate and evocative moments captured through Compton's lens; offering us an abundance of fascinating, personal tales from around the globe.

Shot in a crisp, black-and-white style, Compton's photographs document the rawness of modern life; from intriguing characters and wild animals to vast, breathtaking landscapes. The result is an impressive body of work that transports the viewer to a wealth of stunning locations, whilst also paying homage to the intricacies of daily life.

Presented over two floors at Maddox Gallery's flagship space on Mayfair's Maddox Street, the exhibition will showcase these unseen works by Compton taken during a ten-year period and inspired by the desire to capture the richness and honesty of life.

Maddox Gallery's Creative Director Jay Rutland comments: "We are delighted to be hosting Nick's first ever solo show of photographic works. Maddox Gallery has always prided itself on our ability to recognise and support emerging artistic talent and we feel incredibly privileged to be supporting Nick's transition from a sportsman to a photographic artist. For us, the field of photography is an exciting medium to explore and invest in. Nick is certainly one to watch."



Nick Compton comments, "Photography has always offered me an escape away from the intensity of professional sport and so most of my cricketing life has been spent exploring countries through the lens of my camera. This collection chronicles the travels I've embarked on for the last decade, the places I discovered off the pitch and the characters I encountered along the way. The result is one I'm incredibly proud of."

2018 is a very special year for Nick Compton as it is the year that Middlesex CCC have awarded him a Testimonial year in recognition of his long service to the Club. Nick's ***Beyond the Boundary*** exhibition is part of a series of events to commemorate this year and supports mental health charity, MIND. In addition, Nick will donate a percentage of the proceeds to Petra's Place, the children's charity established by the Petra Ecclestone Foundation.

NICK COMPTON IS AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW

Nick Compton was born in South Africa in 1983. In November 2012, after establishing himself as a consistent top scorer in county cricket, he made his England Test debut against India. He scored back to back test centuries against New Zealand and was a key part of the England team who beat India for the first time in 28 years in India after a successful opening partnership with Alistair Cook. In April 2013, the *Wisden Cricketers' Almanack* named Compton as one of their five Wisden Cricketers of the Year. In 2018, he announced his retirement from cricket in order to focus on other projects, including photography. This is his first solo exhibition.

Maddox Gallery is fast emerging as one of the most stylish young contemporary art destinations in the UK. In just three years Maddox Gallery has opened four Central London locations, the first its flagship Mayfair destination, a beautiful 3750 square foot Victorian townhouse in Maddox Street, two further spaces in the heart of Mayfair's Shepherd Market including a gallery dedicated to limited edition prints and a 4000 square foot space in Westbourne Grove. In 2017 they opened a European outpost in Gstaad and in October 2018 they launched their first North American gallery space in Los Angeles.

Their roster of cutting edge international contemporary artists and photographers includes David Yarrow, Nick Compton, Bradley Theodore, RETNA, The Connor Brothers, Dan Baldwin, Danny Minnick, Massimo Agostinelli, Chris Moon, Tyler Shields, Tony Kelly, Richard Hambleton and Bran Symondson.



Exhibition listings

Beyond the Boundary – Nick Compton
7 -14th November 2018

Maddox Gallery, Mayfair, 9 Maddox Street London W1S 2QE
Opening Hours: Monday – Saturday 10am – 6pm
Sunday 11am – 5pm

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