

JORDAN POE

B.A. STUDIO FINE ART '10

Photographer and fine-art curator Jordan Poe is preparing for a personal best.

Starting in August, he will be the featured artist at Studio Channel Islands Art Center (SCIART). His month-long solo exhibition is the prize for winning SCIART's 2013 juried competition.

"This is a great step forward in my career," says Poe, owner of J Poe Digital Studios in Camarillo. "I had to beat out over 140 other artists to have the opportunity. Solo exhibitions give artists tremendous exposure and help us expand our business greatly."

Poe's work uses a range of photographic methods to illustrate personal experiences, physical and social scientific elements, and abstract ideas such as greed, absurdity, curiosity, disillusionment, death, despair, hope and the human condition. He produces his own art as well as helps clients select investment-grade artwork for home or office.

When asked about CI's influence on his career, Poe says, "It wasn't until I got to CI that I really embraced experimental and untraditional photography, such as infrared, daguerreotypes and tintypes. After a few classes, I decided to make a career out of it." He also credits the professors who advised him to network as much as possible and seek diversity in his projects.

Poe's exhibition will take place at SCIART's Blackboard Gallery in Old Town Camarillo and opens with a reception on Aug. 1 at 4 p.m. Admission is free.

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