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Lauren Thompson is a London-based photographic artist working across still image, moving image, and installation. She graduated from Central Saint Martins, University of the Arts London, in July 2026 with a Distinction in MA Contemporary Photography: Practices and Philosophies. Her manifesto, *The Invisible Hotel*, will be archived by Central Saint Martins.

Using long exposure as a core methodology, her work explores the body as unstable, permeable, and continually shifting. Through in-camera processes, figures fragment, dissolve, and reform, resisting fixed identity and moving beyond photography's association with the frozen instant.

Her work has been exhibited in London, New York, and across the UK, including at the International Center of Photography, New York, Watts Gallery – Artists' Village, and Central Saint Martins.

Education

2024–2026

MA Contemporary Photography: Practices and Philosophies

Central Saint Martins, University of the Arts London

2016–2019

BA (Hons) Film Practice — First Class Honours

London South Bank University

Selected Exhibitions

2026

At Home (upcoming), solo exhibition, The Through Through Collective, London

Graduate Show July, Central Saint Martins, London

Threshold, Koppel Collective, London

The HOME Exhibition, Hypha Gallery, London

2025

Similar Strangers, The Good Rice, London

Perhaps We Should Reconsider (MA Interim Show), Central Saint Martins, London

2024

Echoes of Depth, Watts Gallery – Artists' Village, Compton

2023

Deadly Nightshade, Watts Gallery – Artists' Village, Compton

Inside/Out, New House Art Space & Gallery

Why Would I Ever Fight Fair?, New House Art Space & Gallery

2022

Haunted ICP PhotoSLAM, International Center of Photography, New York

Scream of the Butterfly, Davies Gilder Gallery, Guildford

2021

Mirror Mirror on the Wall, House of Smalls, London

Female Distortion, Salon Twenty One, New York

2019

Where's My Baby (short film), British Film Institute, London

Residencies

2023

Watts Gallery – Artists' Village Residency, Compton

Press

2023

Interview, Watts Gallery: Studio Visit

2020

Interview, Art Plugged