



ART & INDUSTRY FESTIVAL PROJECTS PRESENTS:

BURNOUT

by SIMON DAVIDSON

At THE OUTSIDE GALLERY

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The Art & Industry Festival is thrilled to announce the launch of its latest project, *Burnout* by Simon Davidson at The Outside Gallery. *Burnout* is in line with the festival's ethos of investigating and interrogating the intersection between art, craftsmanship and creativity in unusual and exciting places and ways.

***Burnout* by Simon Davidson**

Launch 7:00 – 9:00 pm Saturday 23rd November 2019

The Outside Gallery

Paine Reserve, 1 Market Street Newport (next to the Newport Bowls Club).

Simon Davidson's *Burnout* series recognises beauty and art where it's not immediately obvious. The images find expression in a car spinning its rear wheels with the single purpose of destruction. They are superbly composed contemplations of the moment. The photographs are slices in time that hold the gaze with car, driver and movement balanced in an ideal expression of a sublime modernity.

This is an exhibition that speaks to the western suburb's community with its rich car culture. Places like Calder Park and other legal car events give marginalised people from the suburbs of Australia an opportunity to create beautiful, powerful and ephemeral moments of artistic expression. Many of the people who enjoy this type of entertainment wouldn't necessarily go to a gallery because they don't have access to art or feel excluded by it. This exhibition welcomes them, is inclusive and hopes to attract a diverse audience.

"While I'm a photographer who travels all over Australia to capture cars in motion and the images they create, I'm totally against illegal burnouts. As such all of my photographs have been taken in controlled legal events within safe OH&S environments", explains Simon Davidson.

The Outside Gallery is a new permanent fixture of eleven light boxes which is curated by Bindi Cole Chocka as part of her residency with the Art & Industry Festival.

Join us for an evening of cars, music and inspiring art as we launch these fine works on 23 Nov 7pm-9pm. The exhibition will then run every night until May 2020. Entry is free.

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