

ANTHONY KOUTRAS

(b. Ottawa, Ontario, 1979)

Anthony Koutras was born in Ottawa, Ontario and currently lives and works in Toronto. A graduate from The Ontario College of Art & Design, with a major in Photography (AOCAD), his multi-disciplinary art background informs his photographic practice. Koutras' work incorporates photography, and combines the medium with sculpture, installation and public intervention. His photo-based installations explore photography and its capacity to represent space and mimic objects. By using photography to mimic his subjects, he creates false spaces and environments, inviting viewers to interact with the installation and experience their public realm in a new perspective.

Koutras continues to be an active member in the Toronto art community and has completed his MFA at York University. He has produced four solo shows, participated in numerous group exhibitions and donated to prominent charity auctions. He is the recipient of an Ontario Arts Council production grant in 2007, the OCAD McCain Post-Graduate residency in 2005, and the DuMaurier Arts Grant in 2003. Koutras' work can be found in numerous private collections and was published in *Flash Forward 2008*.