

Giancarlo Gardin -Curriculum Vitae

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Giancarlo has been a professional photographer since 1975. His Photographic Agency was the first Italian one to be officially sponsored by *Canon*.

In 1978 he decides to expand his business to include Publicity, Fashion and Interior Photography. In 1980 his always-present love for landscaping and nature drives him to publishing *Il Sile*. Giancarlo then moves to Milan, where his publishing experience continues. He publishes *Milano Romana* and *Ville Venete di Treviso* for *Rusconi Publisher* and the monthly magazine *Natura Oggi* puts him in charge of its Photographic Insertion. He shoots an important reportage flying by helicopter for over 100 hours and documenting: for *Natura Oggi* the Italian Cities and the Alps, for *Scienza e Vita* the Rivers and for *Famiglia Cristiana* the Coast

In 1985 Giancarlo starts his *Studio Gardin* where he brings all of his experience to fruition by applying it to Interior and Exterior Architectural Photography. He produces, in full autonomy, *reportages* that he sells on the International market. He publishes over 100 *reportages* each year and soon reaches the important goal of 100 covers. In these years his book publishing experience furthers. He is asked, by editors such as *Taschen* and the *Michael Friedmann Publishing Group*, to create *Italian Country*, *Alpine Interiors*, *Baustein* and *Oltre il Giardino*. In 1999 he starts *Archideos Books*, in Milan, publishing *Case di Sardegna* which has a huge success selling over 20.000 copies.

Since 1991 *Hasselblad* regularly puts him in his important publications <u>The system</u>, <u>International covers, Forum Magazine</u>. In 1996 his pictures are presented at the spectacular *Photokina* in Cologne.

Starting in 1997 he holds a series of work-shops and lectures for the *Consorzio turistico dell'Alto Adige* in Bozen and Brixen, for the *Comunità Europea e la Regione Umbria* in Gubbio and for the in *Provincia di Trento* Trento.

Since 1982 he is present in several Museus and galleries. His exhibitions have been organised by the *Museo di Castelvecchio* in Verona dedicated to the works of the Architect Carlo Scarpa and the textures of *Cangrande della Scala*, at the 42° *Salone del Mobile* in Milan with a reportage on Milan's Fair, at the touring exhibition "Is there space for optimist?" organized by Amnesty International, and at the closing auction organized by Finarte. He is amongst the photographers on the catalog of the *Foundation for Contemporary Photography* by the *Carrara Museum*, Bergamo. He also has a Wholy dedicated exhibition called "Oltre il Giardino" at the *Estro* gallery in Padova sponsored by Lanfranco Colombo.

In 1998 Giancarlo's passion for photography and optics leads him to patenting Free Eye. This ingenious yet simple instrument is a connecting disk that allows any professional camera (both photo and video) to correct the perspective view. Once the product is created, by the Dutch maker Cambo, Giancarlo commercializes it in several Countries and online.

In 1999 he starts the Publishing Home *Archideos Libri* in Milan. *Archideos* gives birth to two book collections: <u>Architettura dei Luoghi</u> and <u>Architetti D'Oggi</u>. Both collections have been hugely appreciated from both the critique and the public.