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Chic Spotlight: Foto Focus 2016/Under One Roof

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A local artist's exhibit is highlighting the many talents of Cincinnati photographers. Keep reading for all the picture-perfect details.



Ann Segal, Video Still from Conversations with Photographers/Under One Roof: From Bauhaus to Our House. Courtesy of the artist

Cincy Chic: Can you tell us more about Foto Focus and your exhibit Under One Roof: From Bauhaus to Our House?

Ann Segal, Artist behind Under One Roof: Under One Roof: From Bauhaus to Our House is a 25 minute video produced by myself about Anita Douthat and Cal Kowal, two local photographers who also happen to be married to each other. The exhibit is part of a series of videos about Cincinnati photographers that I created called Conversations With Photographers which premiered at Fotofocus 2014 at The Gallery Project. My interviews explore the photographers' introduction and choice to pursue photography, educational background, photographic process, artistic inspiration, and stories from their lives and careers.

Cincy Chic: What's the inspiration behind your exhibit?

Segal: The main inspiration behind Under One Roof: From Bauhaus to Our House was my participation in the Fotofocus 2012 exhibit called Photographers by Photographers at XU's AB Cohen gallery in which 60 Cincinnati photographers drew names out of a hat and created portraits of each other. Having been a photographer for thirty years, I'm fascinated by the creative process and particularly how photographers navigate creative careers.

Cincy Chic: Who's behind the exhibit?

Segal: I am the producer of Under One Roof: From Bauhaus to Our House and Scott Ginn and myself coedited the video. Creative consulting by Jerry Malsh and Una Kariim.

Cincy Chic: When and where can readers find the exhibit?

Segal: Under One Roof/From Bauhaus to Our House will premiere Saturday, October 1, 2016, 2-4pm at Xavier University's AB Cohen Center, 1658 Herald Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45207 and run through October 28, 2016. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday 10am-4pm.

Cincy Chic: What makes Foto Focus 2016 as well as your exhibit unique? **Segal:** Foto Focus is a unique event because it showcases internationally known photographers as well as local photographers, and thus broadens the audience for the later.

Cincy Chic: How can readers check out Foto Focus 2016 and Under One Roof.

Segal: Readers can participate by coming to the opening and/or visiting the AB Cohen Center during regular gallery hours to view the video. Feedback to asannsegal@gmail.com is much appreciated. Teachers might want to purchase the video to show to students.

In addition to the video, you can also see framed works by Anita Douthat and Cal Kowal at the AB Cohen Center. For additional information, contact Segal at asannsegal@gmail.com. For a sneak peek of Segal's video, click here. To get a sneak peek of Cal's video, click here.