

## NEWBORN AWAKENING -

A visual journey for a time of isolation  
and self-reflection...

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The visual journey for this online show has been gently inspired by the current surreal and strange times of self-isolation and lockdown... Hiding, sheltering... Escaping into one's head when being alone, on the edge of the cliff or possibly self-reflection on the past and the future... Darkness and Light... Empty streets... Sadness of graveyards... Beauty of flowers... Fear and anxieties of today or strength and hope for tomorrow. A bit black and white and a bit of colour. Maybe awakening to something new in front of us... Spring is here, new born ideas, a brainstorm of thoughts like acrobats juggling balls around your head... Nature or Nurture. Culture. Spirit. Science. Art. We will be fine, we hope. We will dance again together or alone. Stay safe and sane. Patience.

Newborn Awakening - the online exclusive exhibition gathers a selection of works from MMX Gallery represented artists including prints from the gallery's archive and collection. All works are available to purchase as limited edition prints as well as unique artworks.

The photographic images can play on one's imagination to reflect the current situation but they are all timeless works of art that speak their own stories... The stories to be discovered by the viewer.



The title of the online show comes from The Doors vocalist Jim Morrison's poem;

*"Newborn Awakening"*

(...)

*Gently they stir, gently rise  
The dead are newborn awakening  
With ravaged limbs and wet souls  
Gently they sigh in rapt funeral amazement  
Who called these dead to dance?  
Was it the young woman learning to play the  
"Ghost Song" on her baby grand?  
Was it the wilderness children?  
Was it the Ghost-God himself, stuttering, cheering,  
chatting blindly?  
I called you up to anoint the earth  
I called you to announce sadness falling like burned  
skin  
I called you to wish you well  
To glory in self like a new monster  
And now I call you to pray*

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## LISTING INFORMATION:

NEWBORN AWAKENING – A visual journey for a time of isolation and self-reflection...

Works by: Michael L Abramson, Valda Bailey, Al Brydon, Michał Cała, Dan Wood, Katie Eleanor, Brian Griffin, Michael Jackson, C M Shackleton, Neil Shirreff

**Dates: 17 April – 24 May 2020**

Online Exclusive - on MMX Gallery website:  
<https://mmxgallery.com/>

& on ARTSY - an online platform for collecting and discovering art:

<https://www.artsy.net/show/mmx-gallery-newborn-awakening-a-visual-story-for-time-of-isolation-and-self-reflection-dot-dot-dot>

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Images:

1. Neil Shirreff, *Fallen Tree* from *Fallen Trees* series, 2009
2. Dan Wood, *Hands* from *Hypnagogia* series, 2013
3. C M Shackleton, *Michael Smiley, Actor – Portrait*, circa 1994
4. Michael Jackson, *Poppit Sands #21*, ca. 2011-2012

