## VYTENIS JANKŪNAS 800 PORTRAITS OF THE PEOPLE I DON'T KNOW

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## NEW YORK — SLA Art Space is pleased to present "800 Portraits of the People I Don't Know"

The exhibition showcasing the work of Lithuanian-American artist Vytenis Jankūnas.

The exhibition will be on view from November 14th to November 27th, 2024, with an opening reception taking place on Wednesday, November 13th from 6:00pm to 9:00pm.

## Gallery open:

Wednesdays 3pm-7pm Thursdays 3pm-8pm Fridays 3pm-7pm (Closed on Friday Nov 22) Saturdays 1pm-6pm

**Vytenis Jankūnas presents two video projections**, sharing images of peoples' life world in New York City, which he has been religiously capturing on his camera for the past few years. In this particular exhibition, Vytenis showcases portraits set in the streets of New York, the city in which he has spent half of his life, where he fell in love with the people, the way they look, the way they dress and the way they talk. He has succeeded in documenting and magnifying them through his lens. Through these images, captured in the vulnerable state of everyday life, the artist tells us the story of his subjects in this unique and culturally diverse city.

## About the artist

Vytenis Jankūnas is a visual artist who in his latest work uses mostly photography as a medium for his artistic projects, which include photo and video installations, books and photography shows. He has shown in numerous group shows including the last exhibition "Try to make it real. But compared to what? Contemporary Art from Lithuania" at MOCAK (Museum of Contemporary Art in Krakow). Recent one-man shows include "Stuck on the Train" at CAC Vilnius and Art Hall Gallery in Tallinn, and "Nocturnal Creatures / Dance With Me" at Prospekto Gallery in Vilnius. He won the 1st place in the Self Published Books category of the IPA – int'l photography awards and was a finalist of Sony World Photography Awards in several categories. He has been a recipient of the Fellowship award from the New York Foundation for the Arts and was awarded a residency at Nordic Arts Centre (HIAP) in Helsinki. Vytenis Jankūnas lives and works in New York City.

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