

# Alexia Sinclair

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## Highlights

### 2006 & 2007

- ❖ The artwork 'Marie Antoinette' from the series *The Regal Twelve* was selected as an exhibiting **finalist** in the **Archibald** (photographic section) at the Art Gallery of NSW – 2006
- ❖ Sinclair exhibits her **Master of Fine Arts** solo exhibition - Thesis and exegesis - 2007.
- ❖ Sinclair produced the award winning *The Regal Twelve* series which won the following three awards in 2007.
  - ★ Harpers BAZAAR Canon Fashion Photography Award.
  - ★ National Tertiary Art Award.
  - ★ Newton John Award.

### 2008

- ❖ The **Australian Centre for Photography** curate an exhibition titled *Phantasia* around the award winning *The Regal Twelve*.
- ❖ *Phantasia* garners unprecedented success and is converted to a touring exhibition.

### 2009

- ❖ Sinclair's series *The Regal Twelve* continues to tour with *phantasia* representing Australia in the **PHOTOQUAI Biennale, Paris**.
- ❖ *The Regal Twelve* exhibits alongside **Trent Parke's** *Minutes to Midnight* and **William Yang's** *self titled* at the **Pingyao International Photography Festival**. Further to the festival the three series continue to exhibit around China.
- ❖ In May Sinclair featured alongside her work on the **ABC Sunday Arts Program**.
- ❖ Sinclair is an International Guest Speaker at the **Semi Permanent** Design Conference. (Auckland, New Zealand).
- ❖ **New Zealand Opera** commission Sinclair to produce two campaign images for their upcoming 2010 Opera Season.
- ❖ Sinclair is a Guest Speaker at **agIdeas** International Design Festival (Melbourne, Australia).

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## Biography

Alexia Sinclair is an award winning Australian photographic and digital artist. Her photographic and illustrative artworks are housed in important art collections throughout Australia. An exhibiting artist since the early 90's, Sinclair's distinct style is celebrated in magazines throughout the world. Born in Newcastle in 1976, Sinclair spent the first ten years of her life living in the city by the ocean before moving into a broken down antique Courthouse in the countryside of the Hunter Valley. Lovingly restoring it, the Sinclair's opened a spectacular European restaurant within its cells. Growing up in a kitchen was to see Sinclair cook for many years to support her devoted love of art making, culminating in a season cooking in the Greek Islands. Her life loves have always been creatively based. Dancing as a ballerina from a young age has heavily influenced the performance aspect of her art making where role-play is ever-present.

Sinclair moved to Sydney at the age of eighteen to study Fine Arts at the National Art School. This was only the beginning of Sinclair's tertiary education. Completing her studies at NAS, she then went on to complete a BFA (Hons I) and MFA from the University of Newcastle. Sinclair has exhibited her art in numerous exhibitions throughout Australia, including being an exhibiting finalist in the National Portrait Prize -Archibald, at the AGNSW.

Sinclair's awards include winning the *Harpers BAZAAR Canon Fashion Photography Award*, the *National Tertiary Art Prize* and the prestigious *Newton-John Award* for her Master of Fine Arts series *The Regal Twelve*. She is also the recipient of a *Jennie Thomas Travelling Honours Scholarship* (NYC) the *Jennie Thomas Masters Scholarship* and a *Postgraduate Research Scholarship*.

Sinclair's series *The Regal Twelve* headlined the group show *Phantasia* at the 'Australian Centre for Photography' in 2008. *Phantasia* is now touring Australia and internationally for a two year period. Sinclair is currently producing a new series titled *The Royal Dozen* as series of twelve male monarchs mirroring the themes of *The Regal Twelve*.

Sinclair is now a full time artist who focuses her energy on producing and exhibiting her fine art as well as working on campaigns and commissions, including working as a digital artist in NYC. What is unique about this passionate artist is that she fills all the roles of her fine art making.

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Sinclair's art is dark and seductive, baroque and symbolic. This multilayered art presents contemporary notions of fashion and beauty through innovative digital media, whilst restoring antique notions of classicism, elegance and luxury. Inspired by the masters of renaissance art, Sinclair uses a visual narrative to seduce her audience with each photographic feast.

## Awards & Scholarships

- ❖ **The Newton-John Award (2007).**  
Winner University of Newcastle Graduate.
- ❖ **The National Tertiary Art Prize (2007).**  
Winner 'Elizabeth I – the virgin queen' Photography / Photomedia / Electric Art.
- ❖ **Harpers BAZAAR Canon Fashion Photography Award (2007).**  
Winner *The Regal Twelve* suite.
- ❖ **The National Photographic Portrait Prize – Archibald (2006).**  
Finalist / Shortlist exhibitor 'Marie Antoinette – the extravagant queen' Art Gallery of NSW.
- ❖ **Postgraduate Research Scholarship.**  
University of Newcastle 2005-2006.
- ❖ **Jennie Thomas Masters Scholarship.**  
University of Newcastle 2005-2007.
- ❖ **Jennie Thomas Travelling Art Scholarship (2004).**  
University of Newcastle Location: New York City.
- ❖ **The Josephine Ulrick National Photography Prize (2003).**  
Finalist / Shortlist exhibitor Tweed River Art Gallery.

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## Education

- ❖ **Master of Fine Art.**  
University of Newcastle 2004-2007.
- ❖ **Bachelor of Fine Art (Hons) Class I.**  
University of Newcastle 2002-2004.
- ❖ **Bachelor of Fine Arts.**  
University of Newcastle 2001-2002.
- ❖ **Certificate IV in Digital Arts and Media.**  
Hunter Valley TAFE 2000.
- ❖ **Advanced Diploma in Fine Arts.**  
National Art School (East Sydney) 1995-1998.
- ❖ **Certificate in Fine Arts.**  
Hunter Valley TAFE 1994-1995.
- ❖ **Higher School Certificate.**  
Newcastle High School (1993) 1988-1993.

## Timeline: Events, Exhibitions & Commissions

### 2010 & Beyond

- ❖ **Exhibiting:** *The Royal Dozen* (A series of twelve photographs).  
**Location:** Australian Centre for Photography (Sydney, Australia).  
**Dates:** Christmas period 2010-2011 (dates to be confirmed).
- ❖ **Touring Exhibition:** *Phantasia* 2009-2010.  
**Exhibiting:** *The Regal Twelve*.
  - **Location:** Lake Macquarie City Art Gallery (Australia).  
**Dates:** 5 of November - 5th December 2010.

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- **Location:** John Curtin Gallery (Perth, Australia).  
**Dates:** 5th of February - 2nd April 2010.
- **Location:** Wollongong City Gallery (Wollongong, Australia).  
**Dates:** 5th of June - 1st of August 2010.

## 2009

- ❖ **Exhibiting:** *The Regal Twelve - Phantasia* Touring Exhibition.  
**Location:** Photoqua Biennale (Paris, France).  
**Dates:** 22nd of September - 22nd of November 2009.
- ❖ **Exhibiting:** *The Regal Twelve - Phantasia* Touring Exhibition.  
**Location:** Pingyao International Photo Festival (China).  
**Dates:** 19th - 25th of September 2009.
- ❖ **Guest Speaker**  
**Event:** Semi-Permanent Design Conference (Auckland, New Zealand).  
**Dates:** 14th - 15th of August, 2009.
- ❖ **Exhibiting:** *The Regal Twelve - Phantasia* Touring Exhibition.  
**Location:** Samstag Museum (Adelaide, Australia).  
**Dates:** 15th of May - 24th July 2009.
- ❖ **Guest Speaker**  
**Event:** agIdeas International Design Week (Melbourne, Australia).  
**Dates:** May, 2009.
- ❖ **Exhibiting:** A selection of *The Regal Twelve*.  
**Location:** Customs House (Circular Quay, Sydney, Australia).  
**Dates:** Until April 2009.
- ❖ **Commercial Campaign:**  
**Client:** Hanna McNicol.  
**Location:** Hannah McNicol (Paddington Sydney, Australia).  
**Dates:** January, 2009.

## 2008

- ❖ **Exhibiting:** A selection of *The Regal Twelve*.  
**Location:** Customs House (Circular Quay, Sydney, Australia).  
**Dates:** Until April 2009.

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- ❖ **A Photographic Journey:** Background plates for an upcoming series.  
**Locations:** Nepal (Himalayas), India (Fatephur Sikri), England (Hampton Court).
- ❖ **Panel Discussion:** Creatives v's Artists.  
**Location:** Australian Centre for Photography (Sydney, Australia).  
**Dates:** 21st of May.
- ❖ **Masterclass:** Post-production classes with Alexia Sinclair.  
**Location:** Australian Centre for Photography (Sydney, Australia).  
**Dates:** 14th of May.
- ❖ **Gallery talk:** *The Regal Twelve / Phantasia*.  
**Location:** Australian Centre for Photography (Sydney, Australia).  
**Dates:** 3rd of May.
- ❖ **Exhibiting:** *The Regal Twelve - Phantasia* Group Exhibition.  
**Location:** Australian Centre for Photography (Sydney, Australia).  
**Dates:** 1st of May - 7th of June.
- ❖ **Editorial:** Who Magazine.  
**Issue:** Ricki Lee - Most Beautiful People 2008.  
**Location:** Sydney, Australia.

## 2007

- ❖ **Exhibition:** The University Art Collection Evolution.  
**Featured Artwork:** Elizabeth I - The Virgin Queen.  
**Location:** University of Newcastle, Post Graduate gallery.  
**Dates:** October - November.
- ❖ **A Photographic Journey:** Background plates for an upcoming series.  
**Locations:** China (The Great Wall).  
**Dates:** October.
- ❖ **Award:** The National Tertiary Art Prize.  
**Featured Artwork:** Elizabeth I - The Virgin Queen.  
**Location:** La Trobe University (Victoria, Australia).  
**Dates:** September.
- ❖ **Exhibition:** Masters Thesis (Graduating show).  
**Exhibiting:** *The Regal Twelve*.  
**Location:** University of Newcastle, Post Graduate gallery.  
**Dates:** September.

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- ❖ **Event:** ACP Magazines - 30 days of Fashion & Beauty opening.  
**Featured Artwork:** Mural light-box artwork 20m x 3m.  
**Location:** Oxford Art Factory.  
**Dates:** September.
- ❖ **Commercial Campaign**  
**Client:** Canon Australia.  
**Usage:** Print & out-of-home displays.  
**Dates:** June.
- ❖ **Award:** Harpers BAZAAR Canon Fashion Photography Award (1st / Winner).  
**Featured Artworks:** *The Regal Twelve*.  
**Location:** Park Hyatt.  
**Dates:** May.
- ❖ **Event:** Women of the World - Unifem Charity Event.  
**Featured Artwork:** Cover artwork.  
**Location:** Kobe Jones, Sydney.  
**Dates:** March.
- ❖ **Editorial:** Women of the World - Unifem Charity Book.  
**Featured Artwork:** Cover artwork & 7 further artworks.  
**Dates:** March.

## 2006

- ❖ **Award:** The Archibald - The National Photographic Portrait Prize (Finalist / Shortlisted).  
**Featured Artwork:** Marie Antoinette - The Extravagant Queen.  
**Location:** The Art Gallery of New South Wales.  
**Dates:** March.
- ❖ **Demonstrator:** Digital Media & Photo-media.  
**Location:** University of Newcastle.  
**Dates:** 2002-2006.
- ❖ **Commercial Campaign:** Digital Artist.  
**Client:** Mercedes Benz USA.  
**Usage:** Print & out-of-home display.
- ❖ **Editorial:** 'Hunger'.  
**Client:** Sean Kennedy Santos.  
**Role:** Digital Artist / Retoucher.

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## 2005 & Prior

- ❖ **A Photographic Journey:** Travelling Scholarship.  
**Locations:** USA, England, Greece, France, Spain, Morocco.
- ❖ **Exhibition:** The Depot Gallery.  
**Location:** Danks street depot, (Sydney, Australia).  
**Year:** 2005.
- ❖ **2004**
  - **Exhibition:** Lovett Gallery
  - **Exhibition:** John Paynter
  - **Exhibition:** SOFA Gallery
  - **Exhibition:** Tweed River Regional Art Gallery
  - **Exhibition:** Watt Space Gallery
  - **Exhibition:** Photo Technica
  - **Exhibition:** Intrados Gallery
- ❖ **2002**
  - **Exhibition:** Watt Space Gallery
  - **Exhibition:** Newcastle Art Space
  - **Exhibition:** Watt Space Gallery
  - **Exhibition:** Watt Space Gallery
  - **Exhibition:** Studio 48 Gallery
  - **Exhibition:** Studio 48 Gallery
- ❖ **2001**
  - **Exhibition:** Watt Space Gallery
  - **Exhibition:** Watt Space Gallery
  - **Exhibition:** Studio 48 Gallery
- ❖ **1999**
  - **Exhibition:** Sheraton on the Park, Sydney
- ❖ **1995-1998**
  - **Exhibition:** The National Art School

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## Media, Press & Publications

2009

- ❖ **Publication:** AZART Photographie.  
**Region:** France.  
**Issue:** #5 October / November / December.
- ❖ **Publication:** PHOTOQUAI (Deuxième Biennale Des Images Du Monde).  
**Region:** France.  
**Issue:** 2009 Biannual Catalogue (p.166-177).
- ❖ **Publication:** Art Monthly.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** #225 November.
- ❖ **Publication:** Mindfood.  
**Title:** Fine Fantasy (p.121).  
**Region:** Australia & New Zealand.  
**Issue:** November.
- ❖ **Publication:** Shorelife.  
**Title:** La bella figura (p58-62).  
**Region:** Sydney, Australia.  
**Issue:** #5
- ❖ **Publication:** Pingyao International Photography Festival Catalogue.  
**Region:** China / World.  
**Issue:** #1 2009 Catalogue (p.78-79).
- ❖ **Television:** ABC Sunday Arts Program.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Aired:** 7th of June 2009.
- ❖ **Publication:** WUW Magazine.  
**Region:** United Kingdom.  
**Issue:** June / July.
- ❖ **Publication:** Digital Photography & Design Magazine.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** June / July (p.14-17).

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- ❖ **Publication:** Idealog.  
**Title:** Pixel Fusion (p.14).  
**Region:** New Zealand.  
**Issue:** July / August.
- ❖ **Publication:** Urban Talk-about.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** June / July.
- ❖ **Publication:** Advertiser Newspaper.  
**Region:** Adelaide, Australia.  
**Issue:** 30 May.
- ❖ **Publication:** Desktop Magazine.  
**Title:** agIdeas International Design Week.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** May.
- ❖ **Publication:** agIdeas (book).  
**Region:** International.  
**Issue:** 2009.
- ❖ **Publication:** Samstag Catalogue.  
**Region:** Australia.
- ❖ **Publication:** Culture Magazine.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** VOL 11, Number 4 (p.135).
- ❖ **Publication:** Gallery Magazine (cover story).  
**Region:** Ukraine.  
**Issue:** December / January.
- ❖ **Television:** Artisan Television.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Aired:** Pending release.
- ❖ **Television:** Magenta Television.  
**Region:** Canada.  
**Aired:** Pending release.

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## 2008

- ❖ **Publication:** Vision Magazine.  
**Region:** Canada.  
**Issue:** December.
- ❖ **Publication:** Driven.  
**Title:** 'Magical Montage'.  
**Author:** Robert McFarlane.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** July.
- ❖ **Promotional Material:** National Tertiary Art Prize.  
**Featured Work:** 'Elizabeth I'.  
**Region:** Australia.
- ❖ **Publication:** Harpers Bazaar.  
**Subject:** Article for Fashion Photography Award.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** June / July.
- ❖ **Publication:** Capture magazine.  
**Title:** 'Doing it in Style'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** May / June.
- ❖ **Publication:** Sydney Morning Herald.  
**Title:** 'Manipulation at the push of a button'.  
**Author:** Robert McFarlane.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** 14/05/08.
- ❖ **Publication:** MX.  
**Title:** 'Alexia's exotic images snap together'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** 01/05/08.
- ❖ **Publication:** City Search.  
**Title:** '*Phantasia* editorial review'.  
**Author:** Emma McGowan.  
**Region:** Sydney, Australia.  
**Issue:** May.

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- ❖ **Publication:** Daily Addict.  
**Title:** 'Culture - *Phantasia*'.  
**Region:** Sydney, Australia.  
**Issue:** 76 / May.
- ❖ **Publication:** Fashion Trend.  
**Title:** '*Phantasia* Photography - Exhibition review'.  
**Issue:** #11
- ❖ **Publication:** Shore Life.  
**Title:** 'Queen of Intrigue'.  
**Region:** Sydney, Australia.  
**Issue:** #03
- ❖ **Publication:** Shamenet - Ha' Aretz.  
**Title:** 'The Return of Cleopatra'.  
**Region:** Israel.  
**Issue:** February.
- ❖ **Publication:** Sydney Morning Herald.  
**Title:** 'Creative Pursuits'.  
**Region:** Sydney, Australia.  
**Issue:** 17/04/08.
- ❖ **Publication:** Photofile.  
**Title:** '*Phantasia* - Marie Antoinette'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** #83 / Winter.
- ❖ **Publication:** Marie Claire.  
**Title:** 'Urban Style'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** May.
- ❖ **Publication:** Harpers Bazaar.  
**Title:** 'Want to be a fashion photographer'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** March.
- ❖ **Publication:** Harpers Bazaar - 10 Years of Fashion Photography.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** 2008.

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- ❖ **Publication:** Australian Creative.  
**Title:** 'Photography - Alexia Sinclair'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** Feb / March.
- ❖ **Publication:** Digital Media World.  
**Title:** 'The Queen of Arts'.  
**Issue:** #100
- ❖ **Television:** A Current Affair.  
**Title:** 'Rising Star'.  
**Region:** Australia.
- ❖ **Television:** NBN News.  
**Title:** 'Regal Twelve exhibition'.  
**Region:** Australia.
- ❖ **Radio:** ABC.  
**Title:** A personal interview on *The Regal Twelve*.  
**Region:** Australia.

## 2007

- ❖ **Publication:** Australian Photography.  
**Size:** Full Page.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** September / October.
- ❖ **Publication:** Pro Photo - Photography.  
**Size:** DPS.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** September.
- ❖ **Publication:** Digital Media World.  
**Size:** Full Page.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** #97
- ❖ **Publication:** Camera - Australia.  
**Size:** Full Page.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** September.

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- ❖ **Publication:** Harpers Bazaar.  
**Title:** '30 Days of Fashion & Beauty' Mural Artwork.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** November (p.132).
- ❖ **Publication:** Harpers Bazaar.  
**Title:** 'On the dark side of the moon'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** September (p.28, p.44, p.296-301).
- ❖ **Publication:** Harpers Bazaar.  
**Title:** 'A Star is born'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** August (p.28).
- ❖ **Publication:** Harpers Bazaar.  
**Title:** 'Harpers BAZAAR Canon Fashion Photography Award'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** June / July (p.72).
- ❖ **Publication:** Teaching & Learning (University of Newcastle).  
**Title:** 'Snaking into the commercial world'.  
**Region:** Newcastle, Australia.
- ❖ **Publication:** Building Distinction (University of Newcastle).  
**Title:** 'Students in the spotlight'.  
**Region:** Newcastle, Australia.
- ❖ **Publication:** Newcastle Star.  
**Title:** 'Detailed work captures the lime light'.  
**Region:** Newcastle, Australia.  
**Issue:** 19/09/07.
- ❖ **Publication:** Newcastle Herald.  
**Title:** 'National Tertiary Art Prize for talented Alexia'.  
**Region:** Newcastle, Australia.  
**Issue:** 12/09/07.
- ❖ **Publication:** Sun Herald.  
**Title:** 'Royal Treatment'.  
**Region:** Newcastle, Australia.  
**Issue:** 12/08/07.

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- ❖ **Publication:** Maitland Mercury.  
**Title:** 'Final touches and Cleopatra's ready for show'.  
**Region:** Newcastle, Australia.  
**Issue:** 10/08/07.
- ❖ **Publication:** Newcastle Herald.  
**Title:** 'Mag in the bag'.  
**Region:** Newcastle, Australia.  
**Issue:** 07/08/07.
- ❖ **Publication:** Maitland Mercury.  
**Title:** 'Dress fires art of imagination'.  
**Region:** Newcastle, Australia.  
**Issue:** 04/07/07.
- ❖ **Publication:** Maitland Mercury.  
**Title:** 'Alexia inspires with a visual feast of images'.  
**Region:** Newcastle, Australia.  
**Issue:** 07/06/07.
- ❖ **Publication:** Sydney Morning Herald.  
**Title:** 'Stay in touch - Fashion Statment'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** 02/05/07.
- ❖ **Publication:** Newcastle Herald.  
**Title:** 'Twin Queen bid scoops pool'.  
**Region:** Newcastle, Australia.  
**Issue:** 01/05/07.
- ❖ **Publication:** Daily Telegraph.  
**Title:** 'Snapping up awards'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** 28/04/07.
- ❖ **Publication:** Australian Financial Review Magazine.  
**Title:** 'Exposure from a high-end cover-up'.  
**Region:** Australia.  
**Issue:** April.