

Bio - Michael Nye:

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Before working as a full-time photographer, Michael practiced law in the appeals court for ten years. He lives in San Antonio, Texas, with his wife, the poet Naomi Shihab Nye.

"What is forgotten is lost." Michael's work focuses on remembering and holding on to voice and story and image and presence. One place, one idea and one person at a time. The language of looking goes deeper than surfaces

His Photography & Audio exhibitions, *"Children of Children - Teenage Pregnancy"*, *"Fine Line - Mental Health/Mental Illness"*, *"About Hunger & Resilience"* and *"My Heart Is Not Blind"* have traveled to more than 130 cities across the United States.

His exhibit *"My Heart Is Not Blind"* -- based on seven years of listening to men and women who are blind and visually impaired. Michael explores how perception and adaptation are deeper than we can imagine, and much more mysterious. These conversations focus on the deep and shifting pools of perception and the mysteries of transformation.

He has participated in two Arts America tours in the Middle East and Asia. His work has been featured on NPR's All Things Considered. In 2019, he published a book from Trinity University Press, *My Heart Is Not Blind*. In 2023, launched a podcast with short audio stories from his traveling exhibitions.

Michael projects have taken him to Iraq during the first Gulf War, refugee camps in the middle east, as well as Siberia, China, Morocco, and Mexico. He is currently working on a series of essays/photographs relating to the nature and complexity of photography and aesthetics.