

EAST LONDON
PHOTOGRAPHER
Mauro

Take a walk around Shoreditch in East London and amongst the artists, fashionistas and the trendy you might find Mauro Cocilio. A young Sardinian photographer with a keen eye for the unexpected moment he captures some impressive images. Sometimes documentary in style but always captivating Mauro is at ease behind his camera.

Mauro's career is varied and assisted the photographer Marco Delogu. He then moved to London where he went on to receive the Creative Review & Kodak Young Photographer Award and the Independent/American Express Photography Prize.

Mauro's work has been widely published, in titles such as Dazed & Confused, I-D, Modern Painters, Creative Review, The Wire and Fashion Now2.



Leigh Bowery, born in 1961 was an Australian performance artist, club promoter, actor, pop star; model and fashion designer. Originally from Melbourne he based his career in London.

Bowery is considered one of the more influential figures in the 80's and 90's London and New York art and fashion circles, influencing a generation of artists and designers.

After moving to London 1980 he befriended leading clubbers Tojan and David Walls. They both wore Bowery's designs.

He is famously known for his performance art piece in 1988 where he had a week long show in Anthon d'Offay's prestigious Dering street gallery. He lolled on a chaise longue behind a two way mirror, priming and showing off in a variety of outfits while visitors to the gallery looked on. The sheer vanity and audacity of this overt queer narcissism captivated gallery goers, critics and other artists. Bowery's exquisite appearance, silence and intense self absorption were further accentuated by his own recording of random and abrasive traffic noises which were played for the show's duration.

Bowery was also notably painted as a subject for Lucian Freud. He is shown in these frank paintings without make up, fashion, naked and obese. These images are striking and somehow show the vulnerable side to this often intimidating but never dull character.



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