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### SURF ART

#### THE ENDLESS SUMMER OF LEROY GRANNIS

**B**efore there was Laird Hamilton, there was LeRoy Grannis. In fact, Grannis began documenting the surfing scene in California and Hawaii back when legendary names like Mickey Dora and Greg Noll were riding the waves on longboards. Schooled by California's first surf photographer, "Doc" Ball, Grannis went on to publish his work in *Sports Illustrated* and *Surfer* magazines (among others) and was featured in Stacy Peralta's 2004 documentary, *Riding Giants*. Now you can see his pictures in a limited-edition book, *LeRoy Grannis, Surf Photography of the 1960s and 1970s* (Taschen, \$400). There's also an exhibition through September 9 at the M+B Gallery in Los Angeles. Surf's up.

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1. The infamous Makaha Shore in Hawaii takes another victim in this 1966 Grannis shot. The picture has been used in a number of advertisements.

2. Grannis shot a group of "gremmies" aboard a fully restored 1933 Ford Deluxe in Huntington Beach, California in 1954.

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