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Carlo van de Roer

It seems wherever you look there's a photo festival happening somewhere in the world, but perhaps the most anticipated one is the International Festival of Fashion & Photography in Hyères, France. The festival, which takes place April 30 to May 3, is located at the Villa Noailles, a former modernist residence that has since become a venue for cultural events. Each year ten up-and-coming photographers exhibit their work to the public and an esteemed jury of media professionals. This year's highlights include Carlo van de Roer's ethereal Polaroid portraits, James Reeve's nocturnal cityscapes, and Yann Gross's Ugandan skateboarder series. Hyères 2010 will also feature a Walter Pfeiffer retrospective and a new video by Steven Klein depicting his fashion photography from the past ten years. Klein's highly structured, subversive images are a good counterbalance to Pfeiffer's more jocular, candid photos. In case you can't make the festival this weekend, the exhibitions run until May 30.