

 romansokolov.com

 roman.sokolov.ph@gmail.com

profile

Roman Sokolov born in Leningrad (St.Petersburg), USSR in 1989 and began his studies in visual arts at 13. In his first year in the Faculty of Photojournalism, he became a photographer for TimeOut Petersburg magazine and got surrounded by the city's cultural life.

For a years, Roman considered personal photography as an unconscious way of self-expression. In 2018, he worked with Danish photographer Jens Juul as an assistant and translator.

The work with diverse artists and studies of contemporary photography influenced Roman, leading him to explore the connection between people and environment in his work.

From 2020 to 2022 Roman worked on the photo project dedicated to the Pulkovo astronomical observatory. For some months he lived in the observatory itself. Being guided by astronomers, Roman also studied the fundamentals of philosophy and began a broad ecological research.

In 2022 Roman worked for Libération and Arte in Istanbul, where he also took part in Mads Nissen and Mads Greve DMJX workshop. In September 2022 he moved to Denmark and was admitted to the Danish School of Media and Journalism, graduating in 2023. During his studies, Roman took part in the Skaffell art residency with the support of Leica Camera Berlin.

In 2025, Roman lived at the biological station on the Curonian Spit, where he documented the autumn bird migration and the work of ornithologists and biologists. His reportage showed how new large-scale construction plans in this narrow landscape could affect a far wider system — from Northern Europe to the African wintering grounds.

languages

English, Russian

education

2023	Photojournalism at DMJX (Danish School of Media and Journalism), Aarhus, Denmark
2022	Mads Nissen and Mads Greve DMJX workshop supported by Nordic Journalist Centre and Nordic Council of Ministers, Istanbul, Turkey
2019	ISSP/International Summer School of Photography, Latvia
2018–2017	Academy of Documentary Photography and Photojournalism "Fotografika", St.Petersburg
2018–2017	Stanley Green, Yuriy Kozyrev, Kazuma Obara, Vlad Sohin, Elena Anosova, Yana Romanova, Oksana Yushko and Artur Bondar workshops, "Lenfilm" Cinematography courses, St.Petersburg
2016	Faculty of photojournalism, St.Petersburg
2012–2010	Saint Petersburg State University of Architecture and Civil Engineering – Environmental Design
2007–2009	Fashion Design at Divina Harmonia Design School, St.Petersburg
2003	

publications

2025	"The Stolen Place" – LFI – Leica Fotografie International printed issue "Witnesses of the Stars" – LFI online "One Flew Over the Construction Nest" – Takie Dela
2022	"Istanbul, hub pour les Russes en exil" – Liberation
2021	"Astronomical capital of the world" – Takie Dela "A photographer looked under the smoke of the wildfires" – Strelka architectural magazine
2020	"Escape", "Soul Survivors" – Republic
2019	"Protest" – Republic "Escape" – Dodho, Bird In Flight magazine "Soul Survivors" – Takie Dela magazine
2018	F-STOP Magazine – online group exhibition
2017	"Protest", Snob Magazine

residencies

2024	La Moulin Jaune – The Yellow Windmill, France
2023	Skaffell Art Center, Iceland

exhibitions

2019	"Escape" – Orangery of the Tauride Garden "Dream city" – Museum of Freud's dreams, St.Petersburg
2017	"Garage" – PrintCafe, St.Petersburg "Smells – the invisible beauty of Petersburg" joint exhibition with Alexei Tsarev and perfumer Laimé Kiskūnė – Inside gallery, St.Petersburg

contests

2019	International photography grant NOMINEE: "Soul Survivors"
2018	Photo featured in the "New Visions" – "Cortona On The Move 2018" Competition Gallery