



Pete Turner (American, b. 1934). LIFESAVER, 1967. Digital archival pigment (Epson) print. © Pete Turner

## Pete Turner

### *Empowered by Color*

**B**old color and striking compositions are at the core of Pete Turner's extraordinary vision. Critic A.D. Coleman wrote of Turner's work, "A dramatist's sense of event, intense and saturated coloration, and a distinct if indescribable otherness are omnipresent in Turner's images. You have seen his work in magazines and books, on record jackets, billboards, and posters—and as original, signed prints." His images have influenced generations of photographers and continue to inspire the way we see.

In 1959, an expedition from Capetown to Cairo was a turning point in Turner's career. In 1967, the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York exhibited *Giraffe* from a 1964 expedition. A controversial image for the time, the giraffe, silhouetted against a brilliant red sky, illustrated his growing interest in treating color as a graphic element. A master colorist, he broke all the rules in a pre-computer era. Turner has continued his explorations of color and composition with a keen interest in the monumental point of view that often creates a surrealistic effect.

*Pete Turner: Empowered by Color* gathers together 61 photographs representing all facets of Turner's career, including early work from his first African expedition in 1959 to his latest work of architectural spaces in Mexico in 2005.

A 24-page color gallery brochure that includes an introduction by associate curator Sean Corcoran, an interview with Pete Turner, and twenty images is available for purchase for this exhibition. Pete Turner will be available for lectures.

**RENTAL FEE:** \$8,000

**BOOKING PERIOD:** 8 weeks

**CONTENTS:** 61 color photographs; introductory text panel; artist statement; object labels; a gallery brochure is available for purchase

**SIZE:** 250–300 linear feet

**SHIPPING:** 5–6 crates; 1,100 lbs. total

**INSURANCE VALUE:** \$155,000

**AVAILABILITY:** through 2010

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