



CHAPTER HOUSE LANE

ROWAN CONROY 'ATHINA'

Exhibition: 1 March – 1 April 2012

Launch: Thursday 1 March, 6–8pm



Rowan Conroy, *Untitled #8*, from the Series: *ATHINA*, 2010, pigment print on cotton rag paper, 110 x 180cm

Chapter House Lane invites you to view Rowan Conroy's striking, large-scale photographs of downtown Athens this March. Please join us for a drink on the 1st from 6-8pm to celebrate the show opening.

Conroy's interest in archaeology – past and present – has taken him to places rooted in the ancient, yet foraging for a foothold in contemporary times. Photographing Athens from a height helped him document its high-density construction, endemic to the modern day metropolis.

The images present the urban landscape as a calcified accretion. The city can be compared to structures like anthills, coral reefs or lichen: colonies of organisms that grow, replicate and eventually spread across the land inhabiting every available crevice. With no horizon in sight, the viewer must contemplate the built environment in light of current environmental challenges, such as climate change, population growth and sustainability.

Having previously exhibited in Sydney and Cyprus, this is Conroy's first Melbourne show.

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entry via Flinders Lane, Melbourne

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