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Ali Kazma: Book

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Book is the first photographic exhibition by **Ali Kazma** in Turkey, shown in the space of **Galeri Nev İstanbul**.

The exhibition presents works from the archive of Ali Kazma, a collection of more than eight thousand photographs taken in libraries, bookshops, print houses, bookbinderies and many other places related to books by curator Régis Durand.

The photographs are organized by thematic categories and invite the audience to reconsider the production processes of books and the connection between readers and books. **Ali Kazma** focuses on the materiality of the book, making the activity of reading visible through photography but also offering to the visitors the opportunity of being part of the world with which the artist is familiar, the one of production, know-how and precision.

Born in 1971 in İstanbul, **Ali Kazma** received his master's degree from New School in New York. After his return in 2000, Kazma still lives and works in İstanbul. The videos in Kazma's Obstructions series are concerned with fundamental questions related to human labor and activities. The artist has shown his works in İstanbul Biennial (2001, 2007, 2011), Havana Biennial (2006), Lyon Biennial (2007) and Sao Paulo Biennial (2012) as well as contemporary art institutions like Tokyo Opera City (2001), Platform Garanti, İstanbul (2004), İstanbul Modern (2004) and San Francisco Art Institute (2006). With his new video series prepared for the 55th Venice Biennial "Resistance", Kazma directed his artistic interest to exploring the body as a potential platform for resistance.

Artists: **Ali Kazma**

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