

MEAD CARNEY

RICH HARDCASTLE - DARK TALES



Rich Hardcastle

The Quandary Of The Domesticated Animal (Starring Billy Zane), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR001)

Description

Mead Carney is proud to present 'Dark Tales' - the first solo show of photographic works by internationally acclaimed celebrity photographer Rich Hardcastle, starring Ricky Gervais, David Gandy, Billy Zane, Jared Harris, Tim Minchin, Hayley Atwell, Harry Treadaway, Nicholas Hoult, Rupert Grint, Steve Furst, Rupert Hound, Michael Smiley, Rachael Alexandra Mai and Michael Sheen.

Through the use of tight, claustrophobic film sets, Dark Tales is a series of cleverly de-contextualised photographic stories with each actor cast to play the role of the artist using ambiguous visual narratives with a single frame image that is left open to interpretation by the viewer. Absurd, humorous and tragic, Dark Tales reveals itself as a series of multi-dimensional self portraits of the artist which communicate his personal feelings of insecurity, pathos and melancholy through the performance of accomplished actors. Hardcastle's aesthetic originality has garnered the artist industry-wide acclaim for his editorial portrait photography harnessed by visual ideas, resulting in commissions from leading publications such as Rolling Stone, GQ, Esquire and Harpers Bazaar. Several works by the artist also sit within the prestigious permanent collection of The National Portrait Gallery.

Rich Hardcastle holds a First Class Degree in Photography and a Masters in Fine Art Photography from Edinburgh College of Art. Hardcastle holds the position as one of the elite BAFTA photographers, the prestigious role of shooting portraits for the BAFTA archive, including Hollywood stars such as Kevin Spacey, George Clooney, Brad Pitt, Meryl Streep, Quentin Tarantino and Martin Scorsese.

Rich Hardcastle

Kill Yourself To Get Ahead (Starring David Gandy), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

58 x 32 1/8 in

147.3 x 81.6 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR002)

Rich Hardcastle

Shit's Just Got Real (Starring Harry Treadaway), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR003)

Rich Hardcastle

The Eternal Return (Starring Hayley Atwell), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR004)

Rich Hardcastle

Hello Kids...Goodbye Kids (Starring Ricky Gervais), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR005)

Rich Hardcastle

Not Worth The Paper You've Printed On (Starring Michael Smiley), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR007)

Rich Hardcastle

The Pursuit Of Happiness? (Starring Rachael Alexandra Mai), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR008)

Rich Hardcastle

Happy Birthday, For Fuck's Sake (Starring Rufus Hound), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR009)

Rich Hardcastle

Whatever Your Oasis, Make It Portable (Starring Rupert Grint), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR010)

Rich Hardcastle

A Life From Violence (Starring Steve Furst), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR011)

Rich Hardcastle

The Martyr Of The Pigeons (Starring Michael Sheen), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR012)

Rich Hardcastle

The Ghost Of Raves Gone By (Starring Tim Minchin), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR013)

Rich Hardcastle

It's The End Of The Word As We Know It (Starring Jared Harris), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

49 1/8 x 34 1/4 in

124.9 x 86.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR014)

Rich Hardcastle

Start The Day With A Bang (Starring Ricky Gervais), 2013



Signed on front

C-Print

34 1/4 x 49 1/8 in

87 x 124.8 cm

edition of 3 plus 2 artist's proofs

(HAR015)