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Gagosian to Present *Richard Avedon: Hollywood* in Beverly Hills

Major Survey Brings Together Over 150 Portraits Examining Avedon's Lifelong Fascination with Hollywood

Exhibition Opens November 4, 2026



Richard Avedon, *Academy Awards, Clint Eastwood, Al Pacino, Sharon Stone, Los Angeles, March 29, 1993*
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BEVERLY HILLS, July 9, 2026—Gagosian is pleased to announce *Richard Avedon: Hollywood*, a presentation of more than 150 photographs spanning Avedon's career of over half a century and including some of his most iconic portraits alongside rarely seen images. Opening at the Beverly Hills gallery on November 4, 2026, the exhibition is curated by the Richard Avedon Foundation.

In the summer of 1956, Avedon was in Paris consulting for *Funny Face*, the 1957 musical directed by Stanley Donen and starring Audrey Hepburn and Fred Astaire that was loosely based on Avedon's own wildly improbable life. He briefly considered relinquishing his career in photography for film directing, and retained a lifelong fascination with Hollywood and the ideas and ideals that it represented.

With subjects including actors, directors, writers, producers, composers, and those who inspired its narratives, Avedon's photographs embody both the allure and the power dynamics of Hollywood. Picturing defining figures from Marilyn Monroe and Katharine Hepburn to John Ford and Steven Spielberg, Avedon's images consistently convey an extraordinary sense of intimacy and individuality.

His subjects also reveal other facets of the film industry, capturing images of its financial brokers and its critics. Featuring photographs of four presidents, who all had extensive Hollywood connections, the exhibition highlights Hollywood as a uniquely potent political force, where reputations are made and mythologized.

Richard Avedon: Hollywood is designed by Cécile Degos and will coincide with *Avedon*, a documentary directed by Academy Award-winner Ron Howard that premiered at this year's Festival de Cannes. This exhibition at Gagosian represents Avedon's Hollywood as a profoundly American construct and a global cultural touchstone.

For Richard Avedon's biographical information and exhibition history, [please visit gagosian.com](http://gagosian.com).

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