

Nicolas Ruel: Seconds to None

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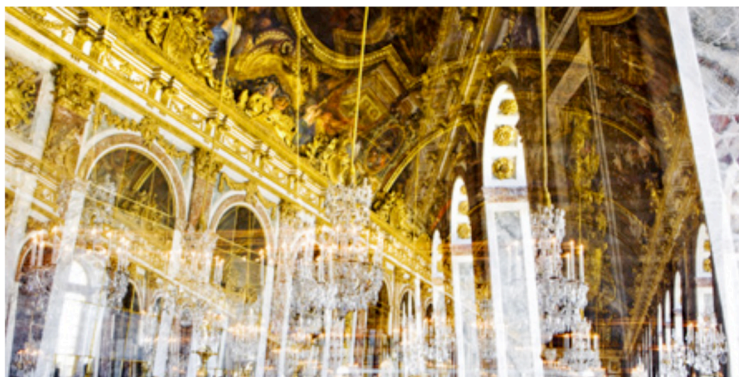
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It's not often that artists have simultaneous shows in Montreal and Toronto, but photographer Nicolas Ruel is mounting his *Projet 8 Secondes* in both cities this month, showing it at [Galerie Orange](#) to October 4 and at [Thompson Landry Gallery](#) to October 18. In the project, Ruel explores the world of cities like Paris, New York, Tokyo and Buenos Aires, capturing eight-second day- and nighttime exposures that render an eerie intersection of urban spaces and their habitation. The fluid, dreamlike images activate facts of place together with subjective meditations on beauty and the passage of time. Here, the Montreal-born photographer makes the most of his wide travels, delivering a body of work that wraps unique places and cultures into a convincingly shared commonality. Considered further, his colour photos subtly express how the new global reality increasingly finds its roots in shared spaces of tourism and transience. (81 rue St-Paul E, Montreal QC & 55 Mill St, Toronto ON)

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