

EXHIBITIONS

Moscow

Sergey Shestakov



[From the series "Walk to the future". 2010-2011. ©Sergey Shestakov.](#)

It is the star exhibition of MAM in Moscow until July 15th, 25 years after the nuclear disaster of Chernobyl. **Olga Sviblova** presents the work of the photographer **Sergey Shestakov**. Here are two texts, the first by Olga Sviblova and the second by Sergey Shestakov.

Olga Sviblova, curator

"Most of the projects a curator and museum director works with are the result of a long and complex reflection. But, one way or another, on the bottom of any project is an emotional experience. I came across Chernobyl photographs by **Sergey Shestakov** quite recently and almost by chance. And I still remember the state of an emotional and existential shock I experienced at that moment.

I thought I know all about Chernobyl, or, at least, very much. Chernobyl became a tragedy for many of my friends and could become a tragedy for members of my family. A few days before the nuclear accident, a group of Russian and Ukrainian poets was preparing a poetry night at the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant. In letters from Kiev to Moscow they joked: "everything will be

