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Elger Esser, *Australian Journal*

Elger Esser @ Dominik Mersch

World-renowned German photographer **Elger Esser** creates images that are calm, composed and very still, shot from seemingly objective viewpoints. Esser trained under the Bechers, a German couple whose systematic, documentary style of photography spawned an entire school of practice. Their influence can be traced in Esser's work, however his work tends more towards the romantic, melancholy and surreal. Up to this point, most of Esser's images have been shot in France and Italy, however his upcoming show at Dominik Mersch Gallery is the result of travels around the Australian coastline. Esser has focused on shipwrecks and lighthouses in this series of large-scale, immersive, desaturated photographs.

Elger Esser, Wed to Sat 11am-6pm, 5 March – 4 April; Dominik Mersch Gallery, 1/75 McLachlan Avenue, Rushcutters Bay; (02) 9368 1999, dominikmerschgallery.com