**DOUGLAS KIRKLAND**

(1935, Canada)

Douglas Kirkland was born in 1935 in Toronto, Canada. He spent his adolescence in New York and, in the mid 70s he moved to Los Angeles.

After being the assistant of Irvin Penn at the end of 50’s, he was hired as a staff photographer for Look Magazine and, later, for Life Magazine. After the first reportages about Greece and Lebanon, Douglas Kirkand realised fashion shooting and portraits to VIP people such as Judy Garland, Marlene Dietrich, Elisabeth Taylor and, Marylin Monroe when he was 26.

He became stage photographer in more than seventy films. Kirkland worked also in the advertising and artistic photograph field.

His works have been exhibited in Asia, Europe and United States. In the last years he kept lectures at the Smithsonian Institution, Washington Dc, at the American Film Institute, Hawaii, at the Art Center of Design, Pasadena, at the Apple Computer Centers, New York and Los Angeles and in the Kodak Centers in Hong Kong, Singapore and Taiwan.

In the autumn 1995 he won the *Life Time Achievement Award*, a S.O.C. (Society of Operating Cameraman) prize issued by the American Motion Picture.