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Kristen Lubben is the Associate Curator at the International Center of Photography in New York. Her previous books include *Susan Meiselas: In History* and *Amelia Earhart: Image and Icon*.

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