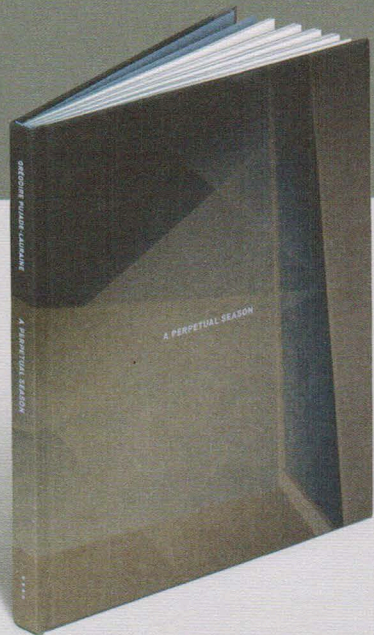


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Having worked as a designer within photographic publishing for some time, Grégoire Pujade-Lauraine has had the opportunity to be surrounded by some of the most impressive talent of the present day. That said, he is in his own right a well-established photographer. Following on from his first self-published book — *The Significant Savages*, which was recently inducted into the canon of Parr and Badger — Pujade-Lauraine's latest oeuvre feels much more grounded and secure in its identity. This identity is one of mystery and curiosity. *A Perpetual Season* travels through the concrete jungle of an unidentifiable and dreamlike city that becomes increasingly uncanny as we are drawn further into it. Something about the location in which Pujade-Lauraine leaves us feels amiss and is certainly unsettling. As the title suggests, the book fails to depart this surreal urban space, encasing us within a city of whispering voices on the street and dark annexes hiding secrets. What is most intriguing about the work is that it is not at all reminiscent of a guided tour; we are left to our own devices to circumnavigate this surreal city where everything feels ever so slightly off-centre.

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