

HIROSHI SUGIMOTO

Japanese, b. 1948

Lightning Fields Composed 004

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Hiroshi Sugimoto is a photographer and architect whose works focus on preserving the passage of time. To create the appearance of lightning bolts, Sugimoto applied short electric shocks to photography dry plates. This photo relates to decay because it captures something that decays almost instantly, the dry plates are a snapshot of stunning electrical events that disappeared within a single second.