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NIKKOR Z 1.8 RANGE LENS

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PROJECT INFORMATION



Key information

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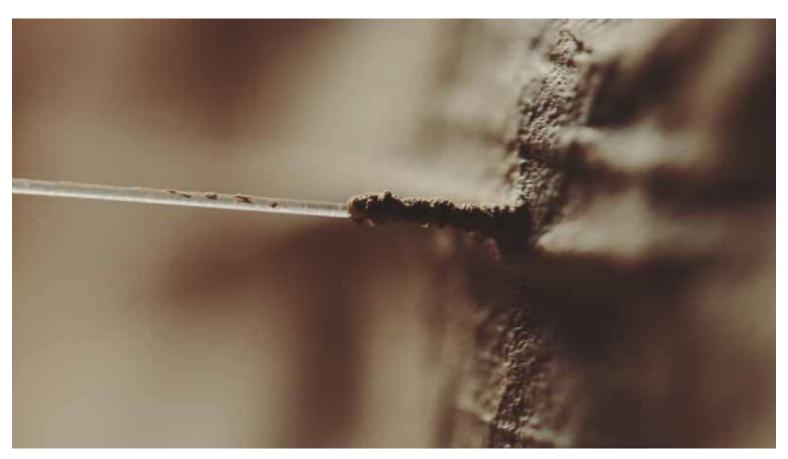
- Artisan filmmaking is as much a craft of detail and perfection as the artisanal crafts it seeks to capture
- The Nikkor Z 1.8 range Lens, it's exceptional imaging capabilities and it's place in the creative community.

Maximum length:

2.5 mins

Film mood













Film Overview

The aim of the film is to showcase the capabilities of the five new NIKKOR Z f/1.8 prime lenses.

It will capture the work of British artisan furniture maker Sebastian Cox whose award-winning creations are mesmerizing in their natural detail and perfect in their execution. The film will follow the production of a highlight piece from his new collection "Products of Silvaculture". The pieces are inspired by the local woodland Broome Wood, shaped on its lines and made with its raw timber. The film will be shot and edited in a style which is technically precise, captivating and cool.

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STORYBOARD

COLD OPEN - Reference: https://cnn.it/2Upi09m (Davide Quayola - Sublime 'antiquities' carved by robots)

Sequence of stylised shots to capture the artisan at work. Shots will be framed tightly, abstracted to create a sense of wonder, lit beautifully. The aim is maintain a sense of mystery at the start of the film, drawing the viewer in to the detail and building up to a final reveal of the character and his masterpiece as the narrative unfolds.

MUSIC:

Natural sounds building up in a staccato rhythm.. fast, slow, fast -cut just off the beat.



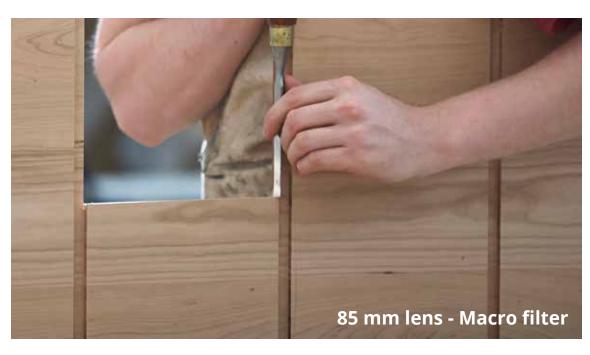
Macro detail of Sebastian's hand at work with wood shavings in the air



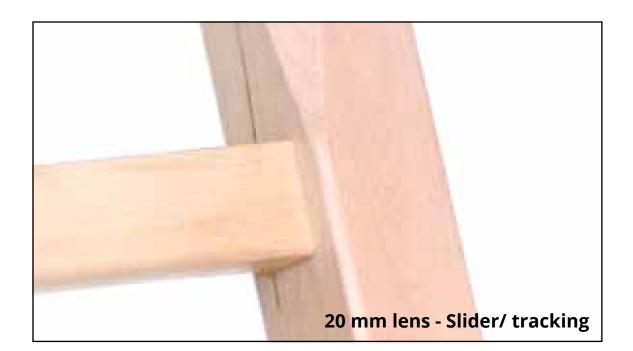
Wood shavings flying through the air



Macro shot hands preparing the tools



Tight shot of tool carving to release the wood shavings



Macro shot of the final object



Seb Cox felt-tipped onto wood



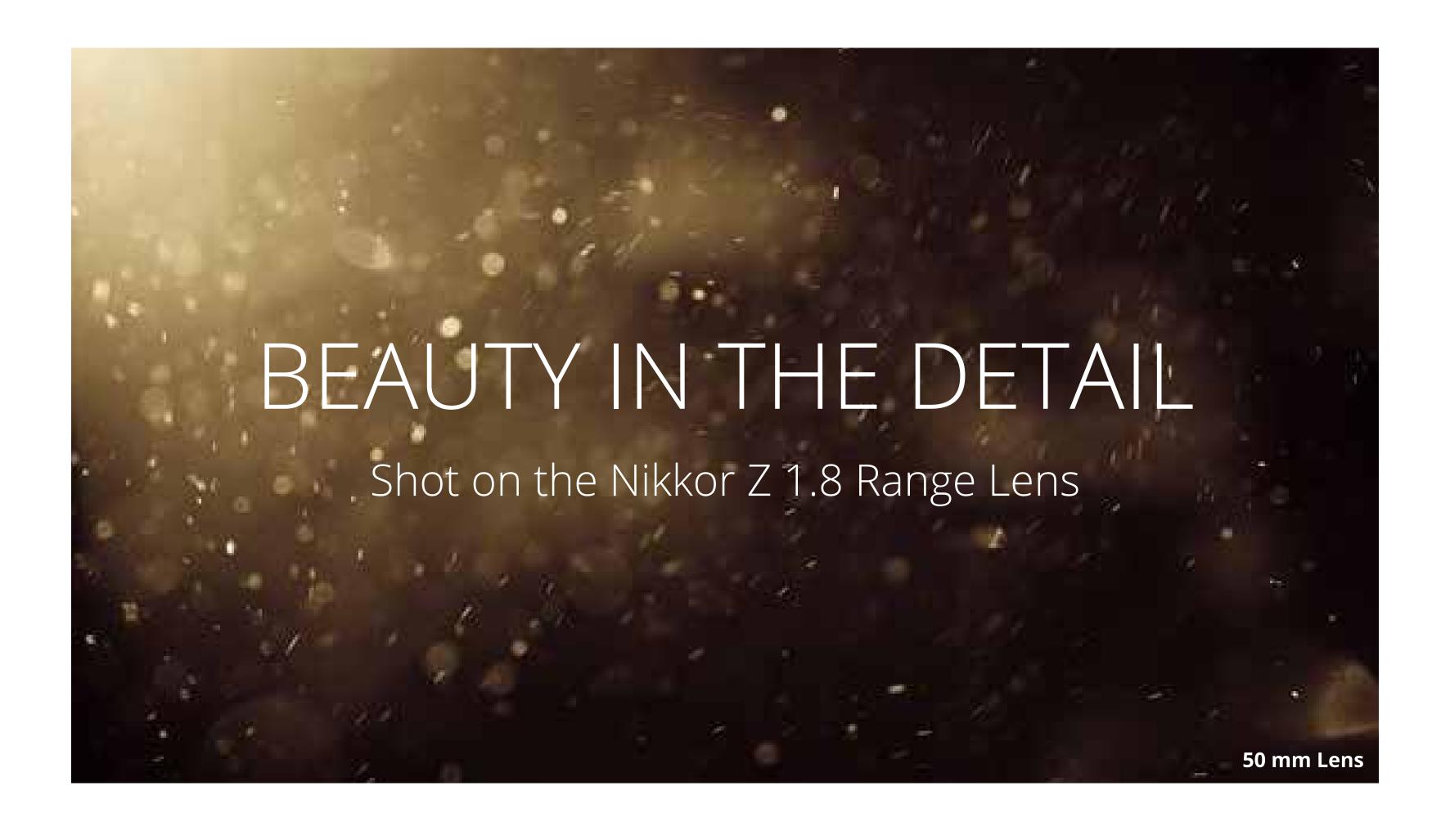
Wood pile



Tight shot of Sebastian's hands at work on machine with dust particles flying off

TITLES ON SCREEN MUSIC:

Mysterious, warm, textured



SEQUENCE 1: THE INSPIRATION

Location: The forest of xx where Cox sources his wood



Wide shot of the woodland with beautiful sunlight through the trees



Mid shot of Cox feet walking through forest

MUSIC:



Tight shot of the light through the trees



Mid shot of Cox looking up to the trees and the sky



Macro shot of dew on the leaves/bark



Tight shot of the bark/wood

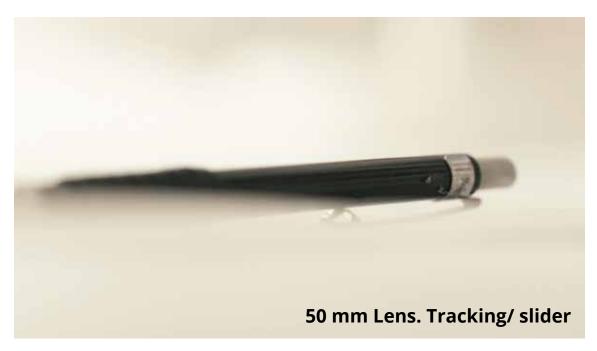
SEQUENCE 2: THE PROCESS BEGINS

Location: Inside Cox's London studio

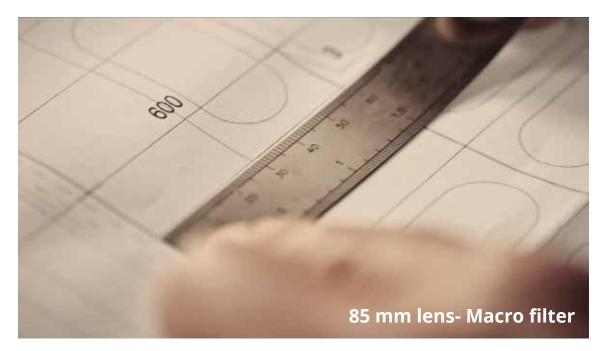
As a new day begins the images from Sequence 1 find their context in the workshop. The process of building the object begins. In sequences 2, 3, 4 the most essential, visual shots will show the making of the object in as concise a narrative as possible. It ends with a reveal of the object.

MUSIC:

Calm, building with a sense of activity beginning



At the drawing board, the design process begins



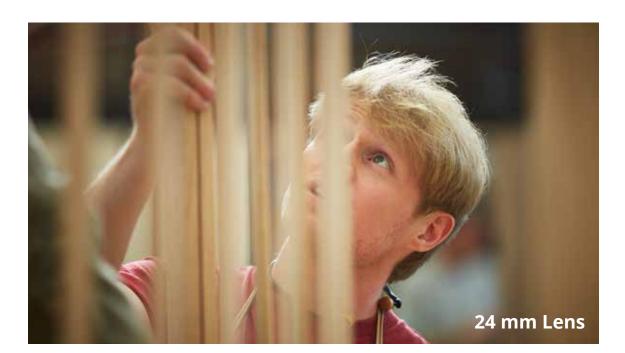
Detail Measuring shot



Wide top shot Cox and design assistant at drawing table surrounded by objects of inspiration and previous designs



Cox selecting raw material



Hands moving the wood around.



Macro shot of the wood clicking into the workbench



Close up on Cox's eyes at work



Macro shot of Cox making first cuts into raw material

SEQUENCE 3: THE MAKING OF/ MATERIALS AND TEXTURE

Kettle boils in morning light, breaking natural silence, slow motion of macro steam particles back light for natural light.



Tea brewing



Macro shot steam particles from kettle catch the light



MUSIC:

artisan's process

Sipping tea on bench outside workshop



Clock ticking on workshop wall

Music builds up to mirror the speed and complexity of the



Tight shot Cox turns on mechanical machinery and the work picks up again



Wide shot Cox at work with machinery



Timelapse of clouds moving through the sky visible through workshop window

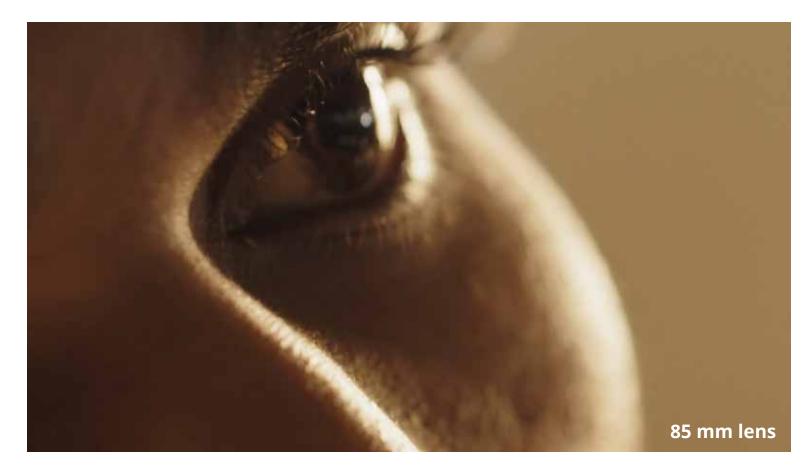


The lights change as the passing of time continues

SEQUENCE 4: THE FINAL PIECE REVEALED

35 mm Lens

Evening light in the workshop



See Cox's eyes looking through a detail of the object, tracking back to reveal object



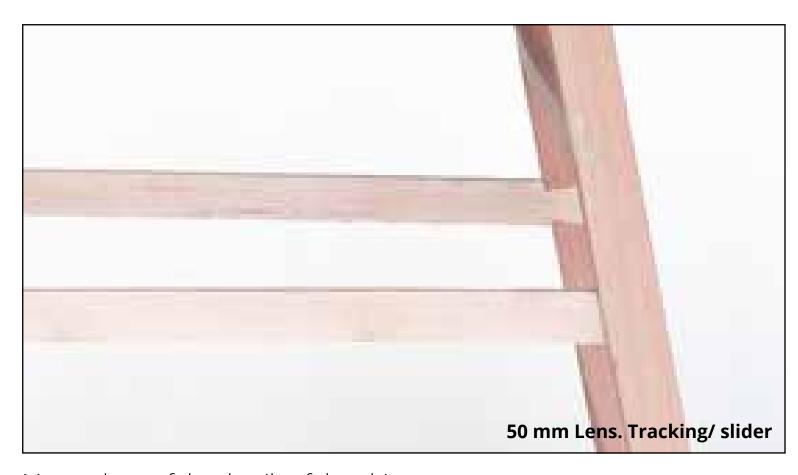
Cox polishes/ finishing touches to final design – tight and mid shots under golden hue from bokeh of background interior lights.



Beauty shots of the object under dramatic lighting showing contrast and tone in the piece (4 squares)

MUSIC:

Music workshop natural sounds, as per opening sequence



Macro shots of the details of the object



Cox leaves workshop: tight shot light switches off, beautiful vintage lights fade slowly off.