

One of Sonia Payes' works being shown in Barcelona.

## **Exhibiting in Barcelona**

MELBOURNE-BASED visual artist Sonia Payes is currently showing an exhibition in Barcelona, titled *Alchemy*. The series of photographs is showing alongside Helmut Newton Private Property at the Fotonostrum gallery. Payes has 10 large works in the exhibition, which have just been exhibited on a smaller scale as part of Fringe World in Perth.

Payes has exhibited in public and private galleries around Australia and the world.

In Alchemy, Payes uses images of her daughter and muse, Ilana, to comment on the cycle of life and humanity's responsibility to protect the planet, as she explains, "Humanity is in constant interaction with the environment. The two cannot be separated."