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It may sound strange at first; the combination of words just doesn't seem to fit properly: Playing the Photograph. And it is supposed to. Unlike "Photography and Play", the interest of this PhotoResearcher in "Playing the Photograph" does not suggest having a definite answer to the multitude of such questions. Playing, here, is not supposed to point to a self-contained field of study that intercepts with that of photography. Instead, the articles in this issue direct our gaze to the diversity of sometimes rivalling understandings of play – be they aleatoric or strategic, childish or subversive – and they ask what practices of photographic play could look like.

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