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WILLIAM ARNOLD is interested in the layers of human and natural history that comprise the making of the landscape, and the role played by the photograph in documenting time and change—the subjective and objective politics of places and their histories. He lives and works in west Cornwall.