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The *study and art* of **Brandon Ballengee** reveal how *frogs suffer a metamorphosis* due to the influence of certain chemicals. The artist uses *both his artistic and rational side* in order to reflect the *human impact upon* our surrounding *environment*. These amphibians stand as proof of how easy it is to *re-design nature's patterns* and how to create monsters.

As wildlife is constantly affected by all sorts of *cleaning substances*, more and more animals changes their *form and become abnormal*. That is why **Brandon** tries to emphasize the need of a *change* in the human activity, for nature will immediately respond to everything we do.

As a biologist, Brandon makes his research strictly on amphibians: frogs, salamanders and newts. The examples revealed here were ones taken from Europe, Americas and Australia. By using certain enzymes, their tissues were highlighted and made transparent all while colored dyes were injected into the bones. The result? A clear radiography of how deformed frogs look like.

Frogs represent an **index of how polluted an area** can be. Judging by the **high scale of mutation** for each amphibian, the results practically speak for themselves. Each **photograph works as a piece of art as well as one of study.**













