

FEATURED ARTIST: **Adrian Spinks**



Born and raised in the UK, but love to travel and currently have visited over 40 countries, a keen scuba diver and Photographer, I like nothing more than sitting in a cafe or bar watching people and life going on around me.

Photography has been a hobby of mine on and off for forty years - right from my junior school days of developing black and white prints at lunchtime in a make shift darkroom. Had my first SLR as a teenager (still 35mm film in those days!) and I enjoyed experimenting with lighting, angles and exposures getting mixed results but good fun! Then transferred onto digital during the 90's and have had a range of cameras...Pentax, Nikon and several Canons. For many years I have ignored or chosen not to acknowledge my friends comments and encouragement about my photographs, eventually after much cajoling I had some printed onto canvas and had them exhibited - no one was more surprised than me when they sold off the walls!

Originally, I trained as a draughtsman in the old-fashioned way using paper and pencils, this instilled in me a love of perspective and consequently a tendency towards being very critical of artists who can't get the perspective right!!!!...a good painting can be ruined by bad perspective!! I enjoy landscape photography, but have also dabbled in portraiture and the occasional nude.

Over the last few years I have been exhibiting on both sides of the Atlantic with my artwork being shown in galleries in London, Sussex, New York, Port Washington, Cedarburg and Grafton. In addition to this I have been doing some teaching, showing people how to get more from their digital cameras and not just leaving it set to "AUTO"



