MY VIEW & MY JOURNEY: GARETH JONES

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IT IS EVERYWHERE IN THE ART OF PHOTOGRAPHY IN THE SHOOTING, THE COMPOSING, THE IDEAS, THE ACTIONS AND THE POST-PROCESSING!

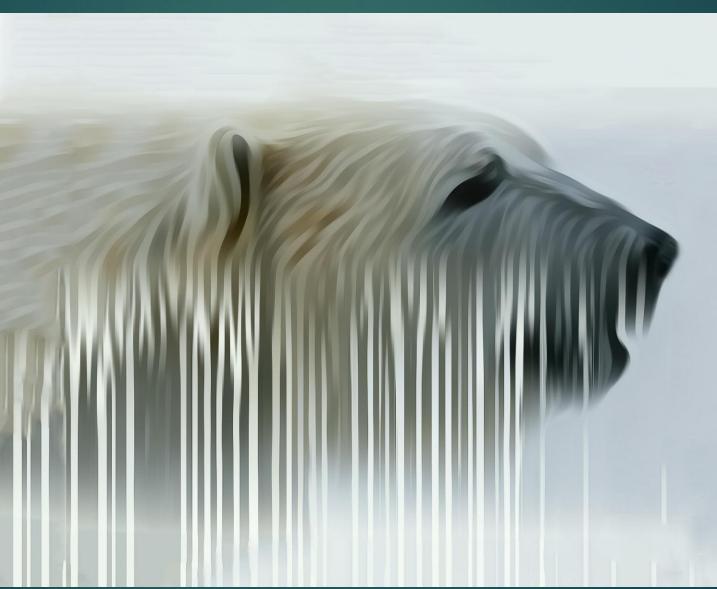
"Many painters are afraid of the blank canvas but the blank canvas is afraid of the painter who dares and who has broken the spell of "You can't" once and for all."

Vincent Van Gogh

- **Assumptions for today:**
 - ¥ You all take photographs
 - ¥ You all use some software to process your photographs
- **Goal** To give everyone:
 - **I GUARANTEE** that I will give you more than one idea to try or to implement in your photography
 - To encourage you to be daring!
 - It's about having fun

- ► How does my Brain work?
 - Take a look first and foremost
 - > Take the shot #1
 - Take the shot #2 improving on #1
 - Move the shot into Lightroom
 - Process the shot Lightroom, Photoshop, Nik filters (now owned by DxO), etc., etc.
 - Consider the Blank Canvas
 - Re-process the shot
 - > Voilà
 - Now, what else can I do?

Fading Away to Extinction



After I've **fiddled** with it and pushed it, then I'm finished

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2nd Place Award 4th Annual Artists Choice International Art Exhibition, Fusion Art, California, Feb. 2020

And

2nd Place Merit Award (Silver Medal overall) in the Canadian Association for Photographic Arts, Creative Competition, Jan. 2021



Fire Pearl

Nikon D3300 Exposure: 1/40sec at **f**/6.3 Lens: 55-200mm f/4-5.6, at 50mm ISO: 1600





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Nikon D3300 Exposure: 1/40sec at **f**/6.3 Lens: 55-200mm f/4-5.6, at 50mm ISO: 1600







Nikon D3300 Exposure: 1/40sec at **f**/6.3 Lens: 55-200mm f/4-5.6, at 50mm ISO: 1600





Nikon D3300 Exposure: 1/800sec at *f*/6.3 Lens: 55-200mm; f/4.0-5.6; at 92mm ISO: 1600







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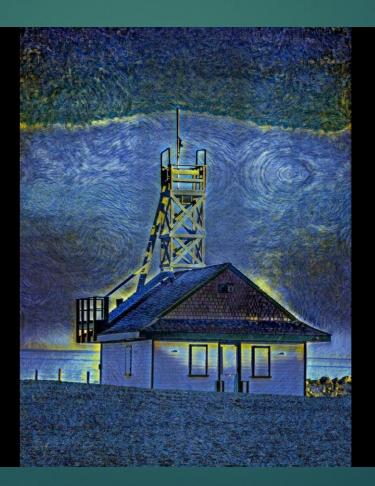
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Actual change, 2nd Level:
Transformation/Conversion - A filter effect of some sort – and there are thousands!
We *fiddle* with the image

My Video - To Vincent





Nikon D3300 Exposure: 0.8sec at *f*/11 Lens: 18-55mm; f/3.5-5.6; at 32mm ISO: 800





Actual change, 2nd Level:
Transformation/Conversion - A filter effect of some sort – all completed using Mirror Lab
We *fiddle* with the image





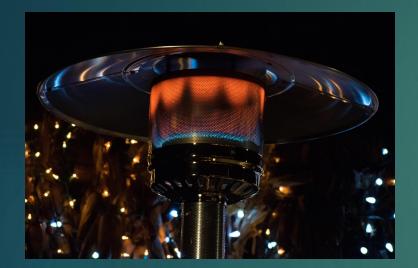
Nikon D3300 Exposure: 1/60sec at *f*/4.2 Lens: 55-200mm; f/4.0-5.6; at 86mm ISO: 3200

Actual change, 3rd
Level:

 Abstract-like
 Transformations using specialised software

We *fiddle* with the image





Nikon D3300 Exposure: 1/60sec at **f**/4.2 Lens: 55-200mm; f/4.0-5.6; at 86mm ISO: 3200

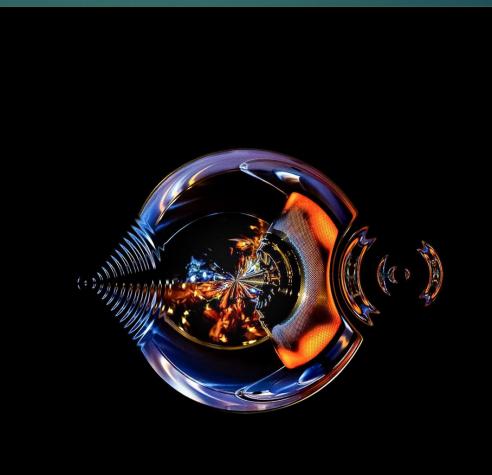


Gold Medal winner in the 125th International Salon of Photography competition

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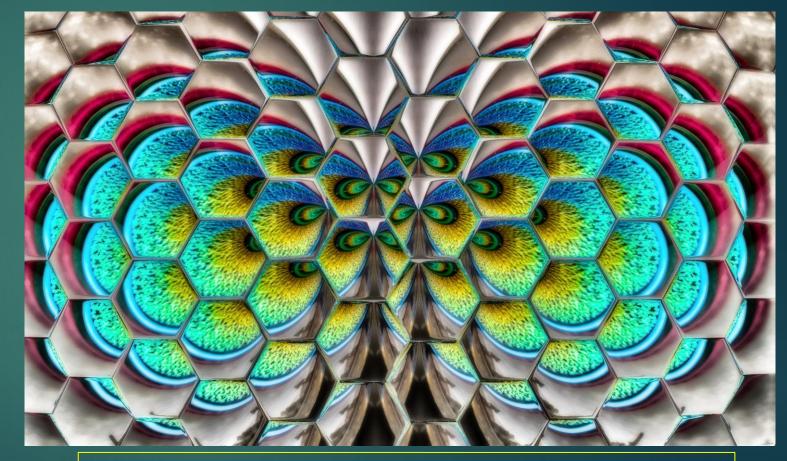
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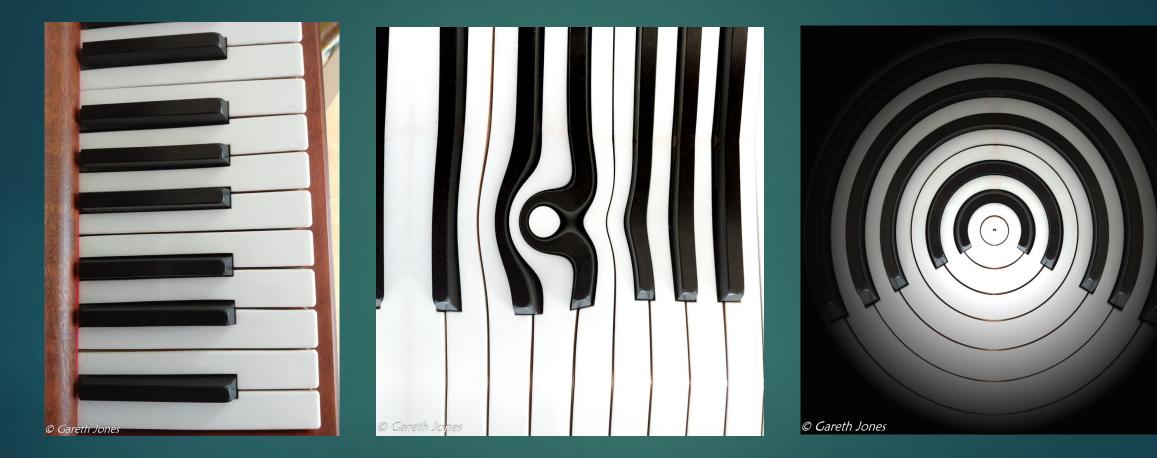




Motorola G6 Plus Exposure: 1/140sec at *f*/1.7 Lens: 4.25mm ISO: 50



Gold Medal winner in the 126th International Salon of Photography competition



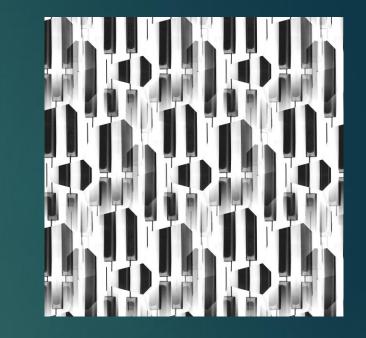
When the Piano Plays Jazz Winner at the People & Paintings Gallery, New York – April 2022; Selected for the Blank Wall Gallery Fine Art Exhibition, Athens, Greece – April 2023

When the Piano Plays Drums











Six Pieces for Piano Gold Medal – Photographic Society of America (PSA) Creative Category – 125th International Salon of Photography, 2018 *(Different Starting Point)*





Nikon D3300 Exposure: 1/250sec at **f**/5.6 Lens: 55-200mm; f/4.0-5.6; at 120mm ISO: 800

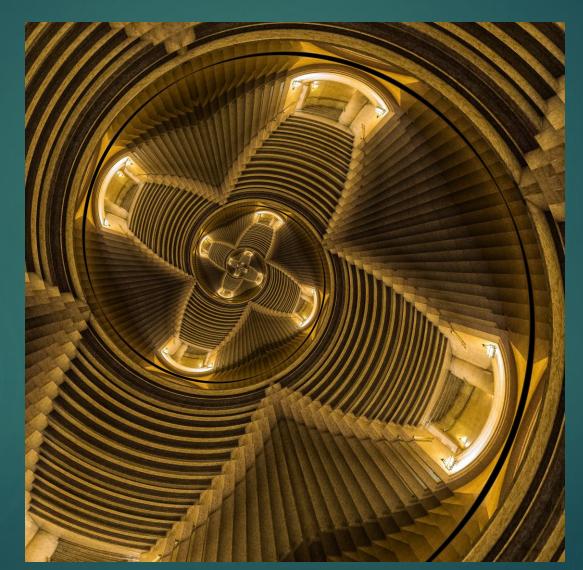
Actual change, 3rd Level:
Abstract-like Transformations using specialised software
We *fiddle* with the image



Owl – 1st Place Merit Award CAPA Creative Competition







Hotel California – Special Merit Award, Light, Space, Time Online Gallery Competition

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Colours as Glass – No awards, but one of my best sellers!











Cyclone World Best-in-Show, 5th Annual Colorful Abstractions Art Exhibition, Fusion Arts Gallery, California





Let's Get It On 5th Place, Light, Space, Time Online Gallery

































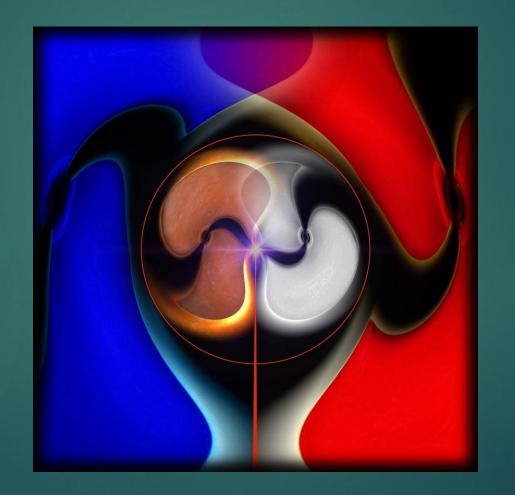
















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Question Mark – Punctuation Series

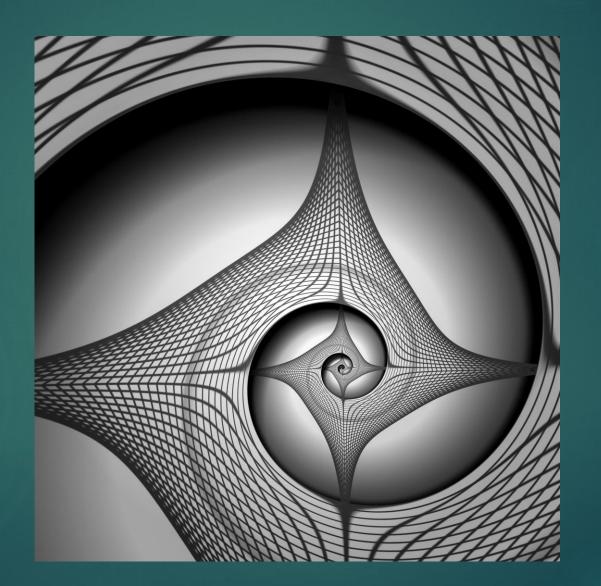


3rd Place Award 6th Annual Colorful Abstracts International Art Competition, Fusion Art, California, Dec. 2020

And

1st Place Merit Award in the CAPA, Creative Competition, Jan. 2021

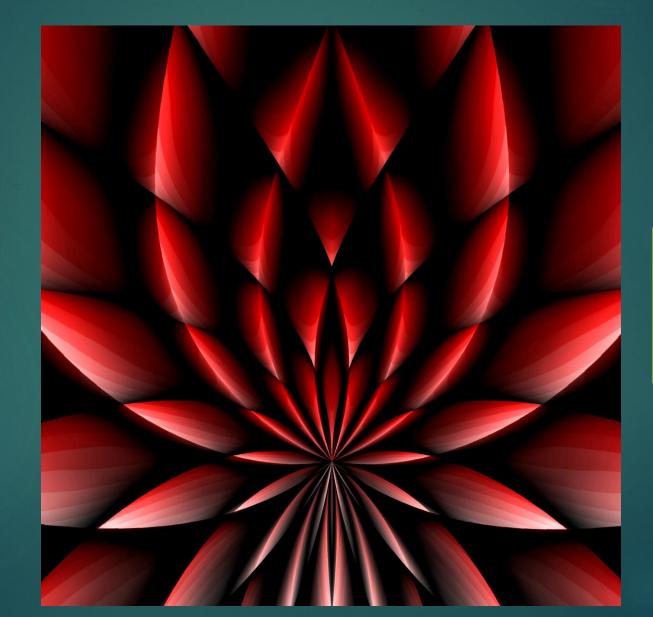
Web of Mathematics



2nd Place Award 4th Annual Black and White International Art Exhibition, Fusion Art, California, April 2020

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Unfurled



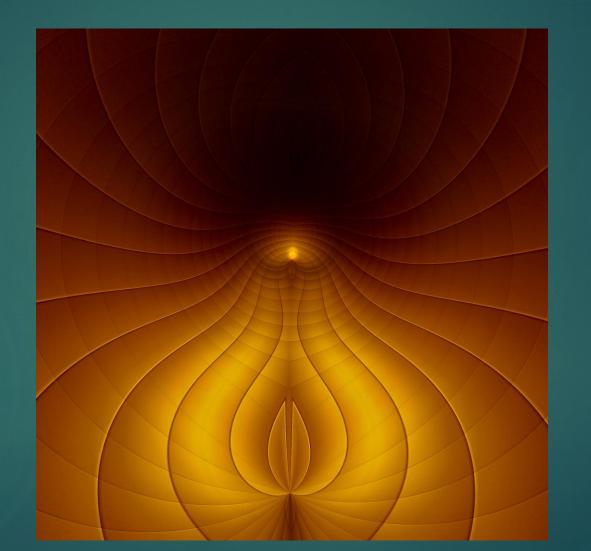
5th Place Award 5th Anniversary Art Exhibit Competition, Fusion Art, California, Oct. 2020

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Into the

Soul of

the Light

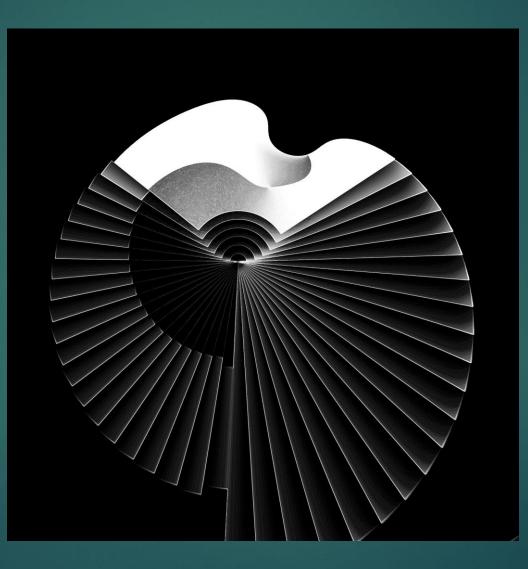


3rd Place Award ^{5th} Annual Patterns, Textures and Forms Art Exhibition, Light, Space, Time Online Gallery, California, August 2021





Dream Cape



4th Place Award 11th Annual Patterns, Open Art Exhibition, Light, Space, Time Online Gallery, California, August 2021





Best-in-Show – Architecture Division -Black and White Photography 2023 León, Spain, August 2023

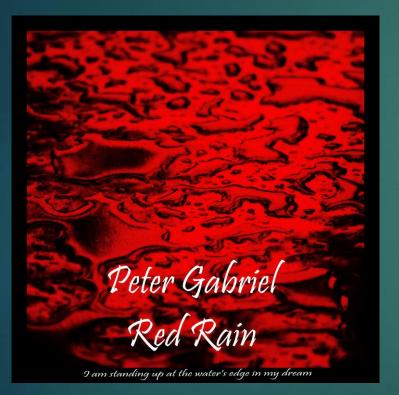




Two Lips Kissing

Best-in-Show (Photography & Digital Art Category) -Contemporary Art Gallery Online - Botanicals 2023, August 2023





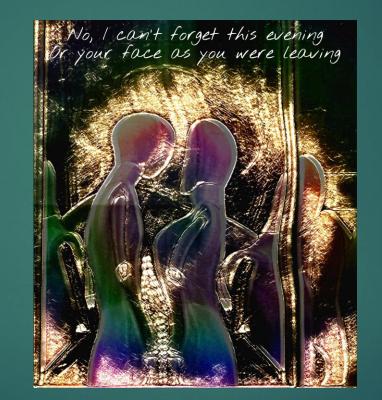




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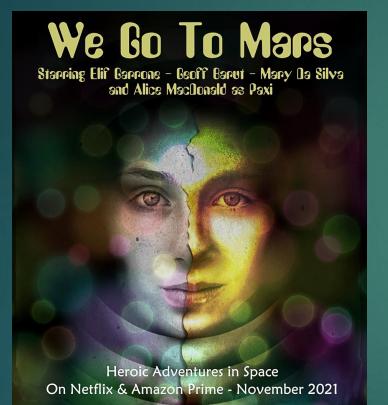








Songs I Sing....



Movies I Want to Make...

The Spy with No Name

A story of espionage - with no escape



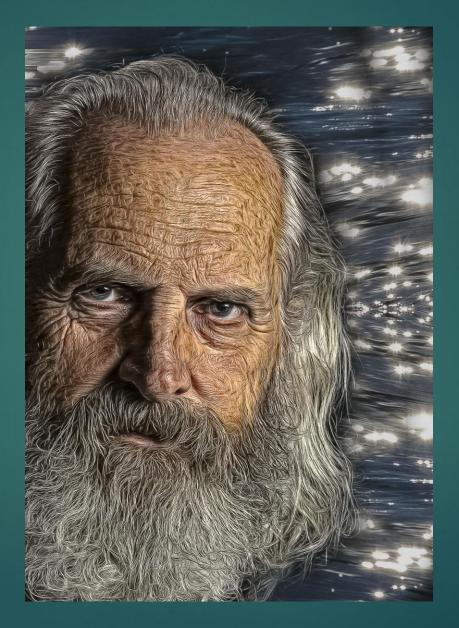
United ICC Pictures Presents

Norah Siou - Christopher Anderson - Ray Jancik



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When Da Vinci Dreamed, The Stars Sparkled



1st Place – 11th Annual "Figurative" Online Art Competition, Light, Space, Time Gallery, California – April 2021

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Special Merit Award – 11th Annual "Nature" Online Art Competition, Light, Space, Time Gallery, California – October 2021

Winter Grasses at the Bluffs

My photo-essay videos are on my YouTube Channel

<u>Everyday Art Transformed</u> – What do you see?

My Wandering Mind - A Photo Journey – One Single Image Abstracted

Love Story – Humorous Creativity

<u>The Power of Software</u> – Transformative Creativity

<u>CBC ART presents Rehgo Sejant</u> – Transformative Creativity

<u>To Vincent</u> – Transformative Creativity

My View & My Journey: Gareth Jones

Thank you to all of you for your time and to the Club for the invitation and opportunity to present tonight.

I hope you've enjoyed it as much as I have. Please stay safe and best wishes, Gareth

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