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#### Forward

Although the title of this book is "Catalogue of Images 2024", it is but the first volume in what will be my portfolio past, present and future. This first volume contains images captured dating back to 2009. These are by no means all the images I have captured, but for now these are the ones that I like the most.

A little introduction about me to start with. I'm Andrew Davidson, and my photographic alter-ego is Davidson Images.

I'm originally from the UK, but the Philippines is my home now. I really don't think there is enough film roll around to capture all the images that I would like to in that wonderfully natural place.

By profession I'm a Chartered Surveyor and work has brought me presently to the United Arab Emirates. A place very different to home, but at the same time equally visually stunning.

Like many people, I look around everywhere and I see things of great beauty and inspiration. It might be some spectacular architectural creation or the true immenseness of the night sky. I am always in awe of the stunning natural beauty of the world that we live in. I feel compelled to get my camera out and capture that image in that instant of time.



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#### Flora and Fauna

FF-0001



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FF-0002



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FF-0003



The Lonely Mangrove. This image was taken on Al Hudayriyat Island in Abu Dhabi in 2020 just before the sun dipped down for the day. Mangroves are an essential coastal maintainer in this region and mature to form a habitat and ecosystem to many diverse species of land, marine and airborne wildlife. This little mangrove tree inspired me that survival is possible even in the harshest of situations. Canon EOS 80D 85mm f/6.3 1/640sec ISO 100.



FF-0004



The Arabian Camel, a.k.a. the one-humped dromedary ... this fine creature had his quiet walk interrupted by some guy taking photographs! Our paths crossed in the Al Razeen desert in Abu Dhabi's Empty Quarter. This photograph was taken in 2022 with a Canon EOS 80D EF70-200mm f/7.1 1/800sec ISO 100.

FF-0005



Taken on Yas Island in Abu Dhabi in November 2020, this White-eared Bulbul is one the more abundant bird species here. Canon EOS 80D 200mm f/5 1/400sec ISO 100.

FF-0006



We've all been there - out for a family stroll and the kids walking anywhere but with Mom and Dad. We could learn a thing or two from these Egyptian Geese who seems to everything well under control. Taken in 2021, in Abu Dhabi. SM-G986B 5.4mm f/1.8 1/1250sec ISO 50.



FF-0007



Another day, another tourist with a cameral! This Giraffe lives in Ras Al Khaimah Zoo. The image was taken in December 2022. Canon EOS 80D 39mm f/9 1/200sec ISO 100

FF-0008



These Black Swans are usually native to Australia. These birds live in Ras Al Khaimah Zoo though. The image was taken in December 2022. Canon EOS 80D 37mm f/8 1/160sec ISO 100.

FF-0009



The Egyptian Goose – such a magnificent bird, with wonderful colours in the plumage. These photos were taken close to where I live in Abu Dhabi. Egyptian Geese are more closely related to ducks than they are to geese. Canon EOS 80D 200mm f/5 1/800sec ISO 100





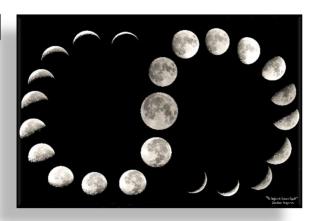
#### Out of this World

OW-0001



Taken over 15 consecutive nights in October and November of 2020, this composition of photos captures the lunar landscape in all its glory throughout a waning cycle. The photos were all taken from the same location in Abu Dhabi and shows the full moon to waning crescent of the Islamic month of Rabi Al-Awwal 1442, with a Nikon Coolpix B500 f/6.5 1/125sec ISO 800.

OW-0002



Taken over 30 consecutive nights in October and November of 2020, this composition of photos captures the lunar landscape in all its glory throughout a full cycle. The photos were all taken from the same location in Abu Dhabi and shows the full cycle of the Islamic month of Rabi Al-Awwal 1442, with a Nikon Coolpix B500 f/6.5 1/125sec ISO 800.

OW-0003



Taken in July 2018 on a hot and balmy night in Abu Dhabi, the total lunar eclipse lasted around 4 hours from start to finish. An awesome spectacle.





# Chasing the Sun

CS-0001



This photograph was taken in February 2018, in Cebu Province in the Philippines at sunset. The calm seas seem blissfully unaware of the seasonally unusual storm on the horizon. The sun is setting fast behind the storm and has created a wonderful sunburst of rays in the moisture-soaked air around the clouds. Canon EOS 700D 20mm f/8 1/200sec ISO 100.

CS-0002



This photograph was taken on a December morning in Ras Al Khaimah in 2022, The silhouetted mountains hint at this Emirates' geological and volcanic past. Canon EOS 80D 18mm f/3.5 1/30sec ISO 160.

CS-0003



This aerial photograph of Lubang Island in the Philippines was taken in 2016.





Abu Dhabi is fast becoming the cultural centre of the Middle East. Spectacular sunset plays backdrop to the Louvre Museum in March 2023. SMG986B 5.4mm f/1.8 1/3200sec ISO 50.

CS-0005



Sunrise in Alcoy, Cebu Province in the Philippines in 2018. The local fishermen are preparing nets for the early morning catch. Using traditional banca boats these guys have constructed an ingenious framework linking the boats that they will use for casting and suspending the nets. Canon EOS 700D 18-270mm f/6.3 1/400sec ISO1250.

CS-0006



This image of Qasr Al Watan and the Emirates Palace Hotel, in Abu Dhabi, was taken in December 2023 just before sunset. On a deceptively cold day, the seawater looks invitingly warm for an evening dip.





The Burj Khalifa in Dubai - stunning in silhouette in this 2018 photograph taken from Festival City at sunset. Truly a golden scene in the golden hour. Notice the flock of seagulls in the high foreground - winter on the gulf coast is home for these migratory birds. Canon EOS 700D 55mm f/9 1/1250sec ISO 100.

CS-0008



Sunrise in Alcoy. This a beautiful region in Cebu Province in the Philippines. Taken in 2018 on a family holiday, watching the sun rise with a good cup of coffee - very relaxing watching the fishermen prepare their nets. Canon EOS 700D 18-270mm f/6.3 1/400sec ISO 1250.

CS-0009



Sunrise graces Abu Dhabi, casting a serene glow over Al Bandar Marina on a tranquil morning. LYA-L29 5.58mm f/1.8 1/1250sec ISO 50.





Taken in the early morning haze from the Al Zorah Golf Club, this image shows the peace and tranquility of the Al Zorah Nature Reserve in the emirate of Ajman. Egrets and herons enjoy the rich pickings in the mangrove lagoons. The Al Zorah Nature Reserve is home to over 58 different species of birds.

CS-0011



Captured approximately 30 minutes before sunset, the dunes of Abu Dhabi's Empty Quarter are transformed by the interplay of light and shadow. August 2020. Canon EOS 80D 85mm f/4 1/320sec ISO 100.

CS-0012



Sunrise on the golf course. Freshly trimmed fairway, dew on the ground. Perfect December morning in Abu Dhabi in 2018. SM-G950F 4.4mm f/1.7 1/2000sec ISO 40.





A 2015 view of metro Manila looking up the Marikina River towards Quezon City in the evening haze of sunset.

CS-0015



Another sunrise in Alcoy. This a beautiful region in Cebu Province in the Philippines. Taken in 2018 watching the sun rise with a good cup of coffee - very relaxing watching the fishermen prepare their nets. 5M-G950F 4.2mm f/1.7 1/100sec ISO 80.

CS-0016



Final approach into Zayed International Airport during another fabulous sunset over Yas Bay in Abu Dhabi. Canon EOS 80D 70mm f/11 1/800sec ISO 100.





Taken in December 2022, this stunning sunset is over Al Marjan Island in Ras Al Khaimah. Canon EOS 80D 18mm f3.5 1/30sec ISO 160.

CS-0018



Qasr Al-Watan, the "Palace of the Nation", is the Presidential Palace of the United Arab Emirates. A truly spectacular landmark completed in 2017 by the late President Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan. This photograph was taken in 2021 as the sun sets on the day before National Day, 2nd December - the fireworks barges can be seen on the water ready for the celebrations. Canon EOS 80D 70mm f7.1 1/320sec ISO 100.

CS-0019



From September 2023, this image was taken from Jumeirah Beach in Dubai. Sony A4 ILCE-7M4 105mm f/18 1/125sec ISO 400.





A spectacular fiery sunset over Abu Dhabi in 2016. SM-A500% 3.69mm f/2 1/250sec ISO 50.





## City Views

CV-0001



The renowned Transporter Bridge over the River Tees in Middlesbrough, UK, stands as the world's longest transporter bridge, maintaining its strength since its completion in 1911. This image was taken in 2011.

CV-0002



The Yas Marina Circuit in Abu Dhabi is renowned for its iconic design and state-of-the-art track, gaining notoriety during the climax of the 2021 season. Canon EOS 700D 219mm f/6.3 1/320sec ISO 200.

CV-0003



Rotterdam, in The Netherlands, is stunning. In this 2011 image, one of the numerous canal streets awakens on an early July morning. Nikon COOLPIX 58000 5.4mm f/3.5 1/500sec ISO 100.





Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia - home to the iconic Petronas Twin Towers, which were once the tallest buildings in the world. The image depicts the towers bathed in the early morning sunlight, framed by the numerous trees that adorn the city center. This image is from 2015. Canon EOS 700D 21mm f/10 1/250sec ISO 100.

CV-0005



The "triangle" of KLCC in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, captured from a vantage point of the Petronas Twin Towers in 2015. Canon EOS 450D 13mm f/10 1/200sec ISO 1600.

CV-0006



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Highlighting the UAE's finest - the National Flag displayed at Yas Mall. Kudos to Kris for the composition of this image - well done, son. SM-G986B 5.4mm f/1.8 1/5000sec ISO 50.

CV-0008



With striking architectural features, the World Trade Center Mall in Abu Dhabi boasts this amazing lift well. This image is from 2018. SM-G950F 4.2mm f/1.7 1/125sec ISO 40.

CV-0009



Yas Island in Abu Dhabi is known for its spectacular fireworks displays, and the event in December 2022 was certainly no exception. I attempted 3-second exposures for this display. Canon EOS 80D 14mm f/5.6 5/2sec ISO 200.





Gyeongbokgung Palace stands as a magnificent testament to a nation's history, located in the heart of Seoul, South Korea. This image is from 2023. Sony ICLE-7M4 47mm f/9 1/125sec ISO 100.

CV-0011



This iconic and distinctive structure in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, was at the forefront of architectural design in the 2000s. It stood as a reflection of the future in 2019. LYA-L29  $2.35 \, \text{mm}$  f/2.2  $1/400 \, \text{sec}$  ISO 50.

CV-0012



The Ayala Center stands as an oasis in the bustling city of Cebu, tranquil before the day begins. SM-950F 4.2mm f/1.7 1/4000sec ISO 40.





Yas Island in Abu Dhabi, UAE, boasts remarkable modern art. This roadside sculpture is captured basking in the glow of the 2022 morning sunrise. Canon EOS 80D 46mm f/10 1/250sec ISO 100.

CV-0015



Richmond, located in North Yorkshire, UK, boasts a rich history that dates to the 9th century. It is renowned locally for its stunning castle and market square. The view of the square presented here was captured from the castle walls in 2010. Canon EOS 450D 35mm f/11 1/200sec ISO 200.

CV-0016



Experiencing a tranquil winter sunrise while playing an early round of golf is sublime. This image was taken in 2021 on a part of Abu Dhabi Golf Club that unfortunately no longer exists. SM-G986B 5.4mm f/1.8 1/6400sec ISO 50.





In 2019, Manila Bay in the Philippines was a picture of tranquility, overshadowed by the looming presence of ominous rain clouds. LYA-L29 5.58mm f/1.8 1/500sec ISO 50.

CV-0018



Cairo, Egypt 2010 on a very hazy morning in December. This is the Saad Zaghloul Statue pointing across the River Nile over Qasr Al Nil Bridge into Al Tahrir Square.

CV-0019



This image of the fishing pens in Manila Bay from 2017 was taken from Island Cove looking towards Metro Manila in the background. Canon EOS 700D 270mm f/8 1/400sec ISO 125.





Abu Dhabi corniche, early evening in October 2019 and the fishermen cast for tomorrow's breakfast. Canon EOS 80D 169mm f/8 1/500sec ISO 100.

CV-0021



The Dubai Expo was a truly spectacular event in 2022. It was supposed to have taken place in 2020, but due to the global pandemic restrictions it was delayed. The UAE pavilion did not disappoint and celebrates the love of falconry in this country. SM-G986B 2.2mm f/2.2 1/5000sec ISO 50.

CV-0022



"Paris in the Gulf". This is the Louvre Abu Dhabi located on Saadiyat Island's cultural district, basking in the turquoise waters of the Arabian Gulf in 2019. Canon EOS 80D 10mm f/4 1/8000sec ISO 400.





Another view of the iconic Petronas Twin Towers in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2015, which were once the tallest buildings in the world. Canon EOS 700D 18mm f/8 1/200sec ISO 100.

CV-0024



Constructed in 1969, Al Maqta Bridge was the first permanent connection between Abu Dhabi Island and the mainland.
Originally opened as a single carriageway span, the second span was added some years later to cope with Abu Dhabi's expansion and increased traffic. This image was taken in 2023. ICLE-7M4 48mm F/10 1/200sec ISO 100.

CV-0025



Abu Dhabi is renowned for its iconic architecture. The Sheikh Zayed Bridge, with its sweeping lines, astonishes both onlookers and drivers. The image was captured in July 2023. ICLE-7M4 31mm f/10 1/320sec ISO 100.





In this image from 2020, a glimpse of the locally famous "Pineapple" buildings - actually the Al Bahr Towers - so-called for the honeycomb sunshades on the outside which open and close depending on the position of the sun through the day. Canon EOS 80D 85mm f/5.6 1/500sec ISO 100.

CV-0027



Located in the Liwa Oasis in southern Abu Dhabi, the Liwa Forts, of which there are 5, were built in the  $19^{th}$  century by the nomadic tribes to help protect the resources of the oasis. This is Al Jabannah Fort, as seen in 2020. Canon EOS 80D 10mm f/10 1/320sec ISO 100.

CV-0028



Seoul, the sprawling capital of South Korea looking resplendent in the evening sun in 2023. Sony ILCE-7M4 90mm f/10 1/250sec ISO 100.





Conditions change extremely quickly in Seoul, the sprawling capital of South Korea as rain clouds close in from the mountains in 2023. Sony ILCE-7M4 24mm f/6.3 1/400sec ISO 100.

CV-0030



The N Seoul Tower, on Namsan Mountain in Seoul, South Korea is 236m tall, built in 1969. These images were taken in 2023. Sony ICLE-7M4 24mm f/8 1/320sec ISO 100 on CV-0030 and Sony ICLE-7M4 55mm f/10 1/160sec ISO 100 on CV-0031.



CV-0031





Another view inside Gyeongbokgung Palace, a magnificent testament to a nation's history, located in the heart of Seoul, South Korea. This image is from 2023. Sony ICLE-7M4 30mm f/8 1/125sec ISO 100.

CV-0033



This is a view of Laguna de Bay whilst overhead Napindan, Metro Manila in 2017. Laguna de Bay is the caldera of an ancient volcano, and the lake is now a major source of water for the region. On the horizon is Mount Banahaw, an active strato-volcano. SM-G950F 4.2mm f/1.7 1/400sec ISO 40.

CV-0034



This is the monument in Manila to Dr. Jose Rizal. A national hero whose martyrdom "fanned the flames of the Filipino revolution of 1896 and inspired the Filipinos in their resolute and epic fight for freedom" from the Spanish colonialists. Constantly guarded by the Philippine Marine Corps. An image from 2016 in Luneta Park in Manila. Canon EOS 700D 28mm f/10 1/250sec ISO 100.





Nighttime traffic on Jalan Tun Razak in Kuala Lumpur city centre. Light streaks result from the 4 second exposure. Canon EOS 700D 45mm f/5 4 sec ISO 100.

CV-0036



Early morning in February 2015 in Kuala Lumpur and all is peaceful. Canon 700D 25mm f/4 1/30sec ISO 320.

CV-0037



This is the Gate Tower on Abu Dhabi's Al Reem Island in 2015. The colossal structure bears more than striking resemblance to the Marina Bays Sands Resort in Singapore.

Canon EOS 700D 21mm f/6.5 1/100sec ISO 100.





December 2 each year since 1971 the Nation celebrates the birth of the United Arab Emirates. National pride is symbolised by the flag. Designed by Abdullah Mohammed Al Maainah in 1971, it represents the sovereignty and unity of the 7 Emirates.

In this image from 2023 the flag flies high in the Saadiyat Island cultural district in Abu Dhabi. Sony ICLE-7M4 73mm f/7.1 1.125sec ISO 100.





#### Landscapes

LS-0001



Jebel Jais in Ras Al-Khaimah is the UAE's highest peak. The spectacular landscape here is the result of volcanic and then seismic activity. Sony ICLE-7M4 24mm f/10 1/250sec ISO 100.

LS-0002



Another image of Jebel Jais from 2023 in Ras Al-Khaimah. Jebel Jais is the UAE's highest peak. The spectacular landscape here is the result of volcanic and then seismic activity. Sony ICLE-7M4 24mm f/10 1/250sec ISO 100.

LS-0003



Another image of Jebel Jais from 2023 in Ras Al-Khaimah. Jebel Jais is the UAE's highest peak. The spectacular landscape here is the result of volcanic and then seismic activity. For those with an eagle eye, you can see the world's longest zip-line running across the centre of the image. Sony ICLE-7M4 77mm f/10 1/250sec ISO 100.



LS-0004



The Whitby harbour breakwater is known locally as the East and West piers. They were built to shelter the harbour from the ferocious North Sea and were completed in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. Taken in 2009, this image is from Whitby Abbey overlook. Canon EOS 450D 70mm f/10 1/400sec ISO 200

LS-000S



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LS-0006



A view of Whitby from the West Cliff as the River Esk follows its path to the North Sea under the swing bridge, overlooked by the gothic Whitby Abbey high on the East Cliff. 523+ 5.4mm f/1.8 1/320sec ISO 25.





LS-0008



These 2 images were taken in October 2022 and captured a rare rainbow just as the sprinklers were turned on at the Abu Dhabi Equestrian  ${\it Club}$ .

LS-0009



Taken in April 2024 from the eastern edge of the North York Moors National Park in England. A typical windy damp and sunny day all in one. Perfect. Sony ICLE-7M4 105mm f/4.5 1/125sec ISO 100.





Yas Island in Abu Dhabi is a mecca for those seeking thrills and entertainment. Through the trees here in 2022 peeks the Yas Marina motor racing circuit. Canon EOS 80D 169mm f/5.6 1/500sec ISO 100.

LS-0011



Yas Island in Abu Dhabi is also a mecca for those with rather luxurious tastes. Through the trees here in 2022 peeks a rather splendid mega-yacht. Canon EOS 80D 200mm f/5 1/500sec ISO 100.

LS-0012



This is the Taal Volcano on Luzon Island in the Philippines. The image is from August 2019 and shows the normally idyllic picturesque setting of "Volcano Island" in the center of the crater lake. Who would have predicted that 4 months later the volcano would burst to life with its biggest eruption in decades. This "decade volcano" is aptly classified for good reason. LYA-L29 2.35mm f/2.2 1/1250sec ISO 50.





This is Taal Volcano again, this time in 2013 looking towards Tagaytay Ridge through a spectacular sunburst - Tagaytay Ridge being the northern crater wall of the Taal Caldera, an ancient super-volcano. Nikon Coolpix S8000 10.6mm f/4 1/400sec ISO 100

LS-0015



Taken in 2020 this is the Al Razeen Desert in Abu Dhabi's "Empty Quarter" and is part of one of the world's largest desert areas. The golden hour before sunset is when this remote area really unveils its majesty. Canon EOS 80D 85mm f/5.6 1/500sec ISO 100.

LS-0016



Taken in 2020 this is the Al Razeen Desert in Abu Dhabi's "Empty Quarter" and is part of one of the world's largest desert areas. The golden hour before sunset is when this remote area really unveils its majesty. Canon EOS 80D 85mm f/4 1/250sec ISO 100.







The Al Wathba Fossil Dues in Abu Dhabi were formed when this area was glacial. The receding glacial waters deposited salts in the sand which have fossilized over millennia.

LS-0017



LS-0019

These images were taken in 2020 on a hot summer's day in May with a Canon EOS 80D 70mm f/7 1/400sec ISO 100.

LS-0020







Another image is from Jebel Jais in Ras Al-Khaimah. Jebel Jais is the UAE's highest peak. This image is from 2021. The spectacular landscape here is the result of volcanic and then seismic activity. For those with an eagle eye, you can see the Arabian Gulf and Saqr Port in the distance. Canon EOS 80D 10mm f/13 1/500sec ISO 100.

LS-0022



Blue skies and blue seas in this wonderful view of Cebu City in the Philippines in 2018. Canon EOS 700D 20mm f/8 1/200sec ISO 100.

LS-0023



Light at the end of the tunnel at the Founder's Memorial in Abu Dhabi in 2019. Canon EOS 80D 20mm f/4 1/200sec ISO 200.





Supplying power to a nation. This image from 2023 shows the electricity we all take for granted travelling from Abu Dhabi's western region to the power-hungry cities of the Emirates. Sony ICLE-7M4 42mm f/10 1/400sec ISO 100.



## Black and White

BW-0001



Raby Castle in County Durham, England was built almost 700 years ago by John Neville. It remained in the Neville line through the time of the prince-bishops of Durham until it became forfeit to the Crown at the end of the 16<sup>th</sup> Century. Today it remains a meticulously preserved medieval castle. S23+ 2.2mm f/2.2 1/3200sec ISO 50

BW-0002



Whitby Abbey on a cold, overcast April day in 2024. The ruin of the once-great Benedictine monastery, founded in the 11th century, was certainly living up to its reputation as a place once visited by Count Dracula himself. S23+ 5.4mm f/1.8 1/1250sec ISO 25.

BW-0003



This is Hatta Watchtower in 2024, originally built using mountain stone and mud bricks around 1890. It was part of the Hatta fortifications in the Hajar Mountains of Dubai, close to the Oman border. Today a very popular tourism destination. Sony ILCE-7M4 52mm f/10 1/250sec ISO 100.



BW-0004



A view of Cebu City in the Philippines in 2017 looking towards the new SM Seaside City shopping mall (extra points for those who can spot it 3). SM-G950F 4.2mm f/1.7 1/160sec ISO 40.

BW-0005



This photograph was taken in February 2018, in Cebu Province in the Philippines at sunset. The calm seas seem blissfully unaware of the seasonally unusual storm on the horizon. The sun is setting fast behind the storm and has created a wonderful sunburst of rays in the moisture-soaked air around the clouds. Canon EOS 700D 33mm f/5 1/2000sec ISO 400.

BW-0006



This image of the Hajar Mountains at Jebel Jais in Ras Al Khaimah only hints at the seismic upheaval this region must have suffered in eons past. Sony ICLE-7M4 86mm f/10 1/400sec ISO 100.



BW-0007



In the UAE, the infrequent rains can quickly lead to flash floods in normally dry riverbeds, which are common and can be very dangerous. This is Wadi Shehah in Ras Al Khaimah. SM-G986B 5.4mm f/1.8 1/2000sec ISO 50.

BW-0008



"Old to New" – taken in 2023 in this image we look through a stone and mud arch of Qasr Al Hosn to the World Trade Center in Abu Dhabi City. Beautifully restored, Qasr Al Hosn was the original royal house of Abu Dhabi with a long history dating to the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. SM-G986B 2.2mm f/2.2 1/2500sec ISO 50.

BW-0009



From "Old to New" to ultra-modern - Downtown Dubai and the famous Burj Khalifa, the world's tallest freestanding building, named for the second President of the UAE Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan. Taken in 2023. SM-6986B 2.2mm f/2.2 1/2500sec ISO 50.



BW-0010



The renowned Transporter Bridge over the River Tees in Middlesbrough, UK, stands as the world's longest transporter bridge, maintaining its strength since its completion in 1911. This image was taken in 2011.

BW-0011



Atlantis The Royal, Dubai is a hotel resort at the Palm Jumeirah, Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. An image from 2022 shortly before it's completion. Fun fact: it has the world's largest jellyfish aquarium.

BW-0012



This is the "cinder cone" at Taal Volcano in the Philippines in an image taken in 2013. The eruptions of Taal Volcano in 1707 and 1715 occurred in the Binintiang Malaki (Giant Leg) crater on Volcano Island, resulting in the cinder cone here as visible from Tagaytay Ridge.



#### Aerial Action

AA-0001



The Fursan Al Emarat air display team. Taken on UAE National Day over the Corniche in Abu Dhabi in 2018, here the team perform their signature corkscrew formation fly-past. Canon EOS 700D 42mm f/5 1/640sec ISO 100.

AA-0002



In 2019, the Saudi Falcons, equipped with Hawk T1A aircraft, performed at the UAE's National Day celebrations along the Corniche in Abu Dhabi. Canon EOS 700D 270mm f/6.3 1/2000sec ISO 400.

AA-0003



In 2019, the Saudi Falcons performed with their Hawk T1A aircraft during the UAE's National Day celebrations along the Corniche in Abu Dhabi. Canon EOS 700D 270mm f/6.3 1/2000sec ISO 400.





In 2019, the Saudi Falcons, piloting Hawk T1A aircraft, performed for the UAE's National Day celebrations along the Corniche in Abu Dhabi. Canon EOS 700D 169mm f/6.3 1/2000sec ISO 250.

AA-000S



The UAE's airlines, in collaboration with Fursan Al Emarat, presented the magnificent "Zayed Flight" on National Day in 2018. Canon EOS 700D 246mm f/6.3 1/2000sec ISO 100.

AA-0006



The "Knights of the Emirates" showcased their expertise over the Corniche in Abu Dhabi during the 2018 National Day Celebrations, flying the Aermacchi MB-339NAT. Canon EOS 700D 33mm f/6.3 1/640sec ISO 100.





The Mirage 2000 captivated spectators along the Corniche in Abu Dhabi in 2019. Canon EOS 80D 270mm f/6.3 1/2000sec ISO 250.

AA-0008



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The Mirage 2000 captivated spectators along the Corniche in Abu Dhabi in 2019. Canon EOS 80D 270mm f/6.3 1/500sec ISO 100.





AA-0011



The combined AI Fursan AI Emarat and Etihad Airways fly-past at the start of the Abu Dhabi Formula 1 Grand Prix at Yas Marina Circuit is now something of tradition. These 2 images, though strikingly similar, were taken at the same moment and from the same vantage point but exactly 1 year apart. AA-0010 in 2020 and AA-011 in 2021. Both with Canon EOS 80D 200mm f/4.5 1/640 sec ISO 100.

AA-0012







On the right is an image from December 2018 when the UAE's airlines Air Arabia, Emirates, Etihad and Flydubai united with Al Fursan Al Emarat display team to celebrate the legacies of Sheikh Zayed. Above is an image from 2023 showcasing what Al Fursan Al Emarat display team do best.





The Fursan Al Emarat air display team. Taken on UAE National Day over the Corniche in Abu Dhabi in 2018, here the team perform their signature corkscrew formation fly-past disappearing overhead into the sunset. Canon EOS 700D 27mm f/6.3 1/640sec ISO 100.

AA-0016



In 2019, the Saudi Falcons, piloting Hawk T1A aircraft, performed for the UAE's National Day celebrations along the Corniche in Abu Dhabi. Canon EOS 700D 270mm f/6.3 1/2000sec ISO 400.







In 2019 Abu Dhabi hosted one of the last Red Bull Air Races on the Corniche. Not long after the series was abandoned for safety reasons. However, the close-up aerial action here was truly spectacular. Canon EOS 700D 270mm f/6.3 1/2000sec ISO 320.

AA-0018



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## Adrenaline Action

ALA-0001



The "Flying Aces" roller coaster ride at Ferrari World in Abu Dhabi certainly does not disappoint white knuckle experience seekers. This image is from 2018. Rather them than me! Canon EOS 700D 200mm f/6.3 1/2000sec ISO 250.

AdA-0002



Grand Prix weekend at Yas Marina Circuit in Abu Dhabi is exciting and noisy. Perfect. This is the North Stand in 2023. Sony ICLE-7M4 32mm f/10 1/320sec ISO 100.

AJA-0003



The infamous Turn 5 at Yas Marina Circuit in Abu Dhabi in 2023. The year before it witnessed Max Verstappen's last lap overtake to wrench the F1 Driver's crown from Lewis Hamilton. Sony ILCE-7M4 24mm f/10 1/400sec ISO 100.





Silver Arrow, Lewis Hamilton coming through Turn 5 at Yas Marina in the Abu Dhabu Grand Prix of 2015. The race fell on the same date of the  $44^{th}$  Anniversary of the UAE, so Lewis donned a red #44 on his car and UAE flag coloured driving gloves. A win that year eluded him though unfortunately. Canon EOS 700D 300mm f/5.6 1/2000sec ISO 500.





Right at the top of the London Eye with a stunning view of the River Thames and the Houses of Parliament in 2013. Canon EOS 450D 18mm f/8 1/125sec ISO 200.



ALA-0007



This image was taken in 2011 on the UAE's National Day. I've included it here in the "Adrenaline Action" series because that flag was seriously heavy, and the helicopter pilot was a very very brave man. The UAE does not do this kind of fly past any longer simply because it is too dangerous! Canon EOS 450D 96mm f/9 1/500sec ISO 200.





### The "Letter Box" Series

LB-0001



Abu Dhabi sunsets are always special. This panorama of the city skyline silhouetted against the sunset is from 2018.

LB-0002



This image taken in 2020 shows the majestic rolling sand dunes of Abu Dhabi's Empty Quarter just before sunset.

LB-0003



This spectacular garden on Mactan Island in Cebu, Philippines contains 10,000 artificial white long-stemmed roses. Truly spectacular in this image from 2018.

LB-0004



Abu Dhabi is famous for iconic architecture. The Sheikh Zayed Bridge, with its flowing lines amazes onlookers and drivers alike. This image was taken in July 2023.

LB-0005



Abu Dhabi's skyline is ever evolving as the city expands. This spectacular view is of Al Reem Island's "City of Lights". SM-G986B 2mm f/2.2 1/200sec ISO 50.



LB-0006



Yas Island is Abu Dhabi's entertainment centre, and Ferrari World hosts Etihad Park Arena. This image was taken in December 2023.

LB-0007



This image panorama of Abu Dhabi corniche overlooking Mina Port and the fish market in 2011. This scene looks very different today in 2024. The open space between the Sofitel Tower on the left to the Ministry of Culture on the right is now filled with new low- and high-rise developments. Canon EOS 450D 24mm f/9 1/125sec ISO 200.



# The Sketch Series

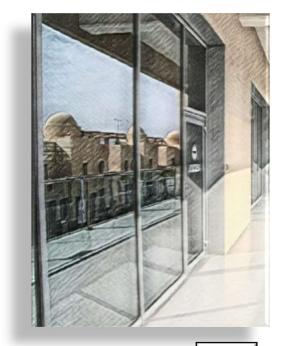


SS-0001

Yas Island in Abu Dhabi hosts the iconic Yas Marina Circuit. Opened in 2009 the circuit is now the "home" of the final Grand Prix on the F1 calendar and never fails to amaze where the action is concerned.

This image is of the start/finish straight on pole position looking towards the control tower at turn 1.





SS-0003

These images were taken in places not many of us get to see except on TV. On the left is a view looking down the paddock area behind the pit lane garages. On the right the race team villas reflected from the VIP viewing boxes behind the start/finish straight.



SS-0004

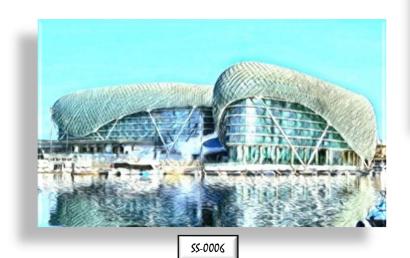


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Yas Island in Abu Dhabi is the entertainment hub of the region. From beautiful tree lined boardwalks and the emerging giant in Yas Bay, to the stunning W Hotel sited in and over Yas Marina Circuit.

The roads of Yas Island are also home to some of the most visually provocative street sculptures.





SS-0007



SS-0008



SS-0009



These are one of my favourite themes for a scene - "looking down the corridor" and you may have noticed that this features a lot in my portfolio - I just love perspective. Featured here on the left, outside, and on the right, inside, the Louvre Abu Dhabi.

SS-0011



SS-0010

Abu Dhabi certainly features more greenery than its neighbour Dubai. On the right palm trees stand tall in the financial district on Al Maryah Island, and below right these 3 trees have become 1 on the old Garden Golf Course.



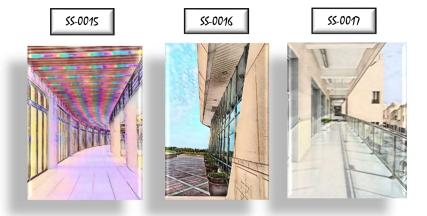
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The UAE is home to some fabulous skyscrapers. Above the is the Cayan Tower, the world's tallest twisting building, and on the right of course the Burj Khalifa, the world's tallest building – both the Dubai.

SS-0012





This series of images captures some fabulous hidden gems in Abu Dhabi. The iconic HQ building in Al Raha Beach features large in the top left bottom right and running through the centre from the left: Galleria Mall; Reem Park; The Grand Mosque; Qasr Al Hosn; Yas Mall; Abu Dhabi Golf Club; Yas Marina Circuit.



