



**Chris Etchells** was born in Derbyshire in the UK in 1979. He has always had a passion for photography and took this a step further in 1997 when he qualified as a press photographer from Sheffield College.

He is passionate about travelling and loves being able to combine this with his photography.

His themes are simple and contemporary exploring the contrast between history and modernity but also capturing raw human emotion in the world as it is today.

He also looks at architecture in abstract form and often uses black and white to give depth to the figures and images.

Exhibitions:

2004 The Malting's Gallery, Gainsborough  
2004 Hoppers, Gainsborough, Lincolnshire  
2005 Travel Photographer Of The Year 2005, London  
2005 Royal Photographic Society 148th International Print Exhibition, UK  
2005 Venice International Photo Contest  
2005 Centre for Fine Art Photography International Exhibition, Fort Collins, USA  
2006 Venice International Photo Contest, Italy

Solo Exhibitions:

2006 January 5th to February 27th Trinity Arts Centre, Gainsborough, Lincolnshire  
2006 July 8th to September 30th Bassetlaw Museum and Percy Laws Gallery, Retford, Nottinghamshire  
2006 November 3rd to December 1st Burslem School of Art, Stoke on Trent

Awards:

2006 Winner of the Professional Photographer magazine Photographer of the Year in the travel section.  
2006 Venice International Photo Contest 2006 - Winner of a bronze award..

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