

## **ARTIST STATEMENT**

I seek to create and share simple, beautiful images which communicate the natural rhythms and innate energies of chosen subjects. I find photographing dance very apt for expressing natural rhythmic movement. My work celebrates especially the pure sculpture, power, and physicality of women dancers.

Some of my images are created using slow camera shutter speeds to capture a lengthened moment in time. Others incorporate 'light painting' techniques I have developed, where the dancer is static in a completely dark studio, but imagining herself moving, suspended in time and space. My objective is to give my photographs a soft, sensual impressionist feeling, resembling either watercolor paintings or charcoal drawings.

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