

Annelise Ebert - Portrait photography with shadows

1. My concentration is portrait photography with shadows. I have always looked at shadows as something to avoid in photography. They got in the way, messed with lighting, and were distracting. I was able to find a way to enhance the picture instead. I wanted to turn a negative into a positive, so I made the shadows the focus. They made the portraits have more depth and become interesting. By using shadows I became drawn to unique techniques that could elevate my photography.

2. Using shadows in portraits created challenges. Trying to find areas that gave the perfect amount of light allowed me to try indoor, night, and photography with water. I was able to learn the importance of how much light was around you and going into the camera. I wanted to push my ideas of using color not just black and white. This was difficult because the skin color didn't always match the shadows. It took a lot of color, light, and contrast correction to finally create a portrait that looked right. Using shadows also took practice. I experimented with kitchen supplies, plants, hands, and many other items that are around me to create these shadows. It took researching photographers and watching tutorials. For example in piece number 1 I used a kitchen colander to create the circle shadows. It took a great deal of practice from shooting to learn from what I did wrong.



Piece #1 - Eliptic
8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to show a new perspective of shadows and how the circles can enhance the photo.



Piece #2 - Invasion
8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created while using unique objects to develop shadows. This is considered an invasion because a shadow of something unknown is brought into focus that isn't normally seen.



Piece #3 - Tropicals
8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to bring in color, contrast, and diversity. The colors involved in the photo compliments the shadows of the tropical plants.



Piece #4 - Vision
8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to show the emotion and deep viewpoint of the model. It creates wonder of what is being viewed.



Piece #5 - Unknown
8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to show a perspective of what is behind the star. The shadows of the star take over as the centerpoint and leaving what is behind it unknown.



Piece #6 - Anatomy

8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to show what can be created with our own bodies. The intense shadow of a hand takes over the image showing how dominate our own antamonies are.



Piece #7 - Division
10"x8"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to show a divide in our vision. Rather than one focus point the shadows divide the image into multiple areas creates an overall division.



Piece #8 - Frame of Mind
8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to create wonder. Views may create an immediate opinion on the tone of the image but then wonder if there is more to it. Not only is this piece encouraging changing your frame of mind but the shadows are framed around the mind.



Piece #9 - Perspective
8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to show a new perspective and viewpoint. This piece allows views to see an image from a new point of view.

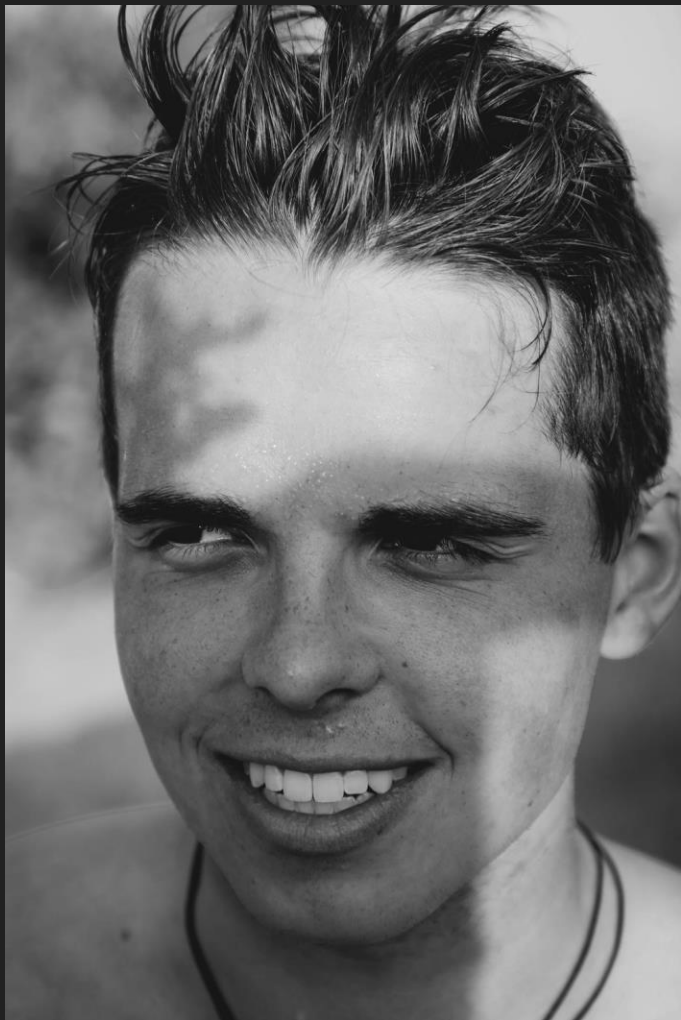


Piece #10 - Invasion in color
8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to show the contrast of an earlier image. Rather than only focusing on the dark of letting in something new, this piece shows the light and good that change and "invasion" can bring.



Piece #11 - Configuration
8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to show an arrangement of shapes. The shadows take over the focus of the image allowing the viewer to see the configuration of that shadow.



Piece #12 - Mediums
8"x10"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

Like using different art mediums, using different tools in photography allows the piece to be enhanced. This piece was created with water and dark light showing how new unique mediums can create something intensified.



Piece #13 - Shadows
10"x8"

Price - \$50

Medium - photography

This piece was created to bring back the basics. Simple light features can create intense shadows that add to any photo. In this piece, you can see how much those simple shadows can do.