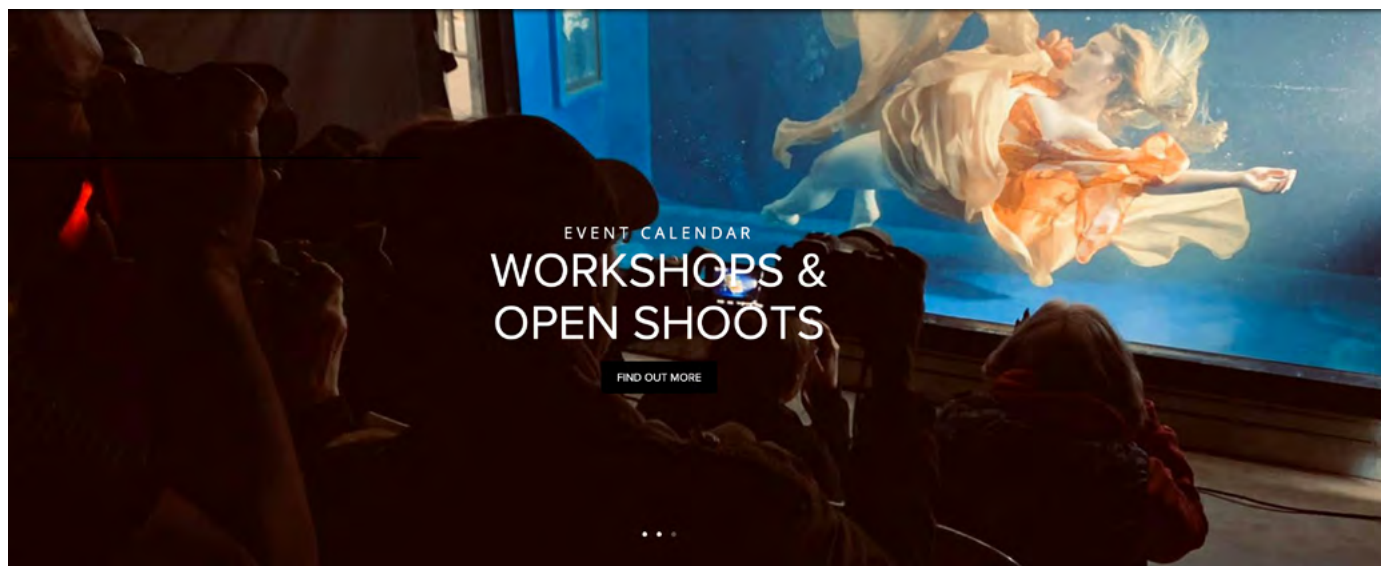


News, Travel & Events

Tank Space



TankSpace is one of the UK's only underwater photography and videography studios, featuring a 10,000 litre custom built dive tank hosted inside our Nottinghamshire based 2000 square foot facility. Unlike in a swimming pool we can completely control the lighting allowing for truly breathtaking photos.

Our space consists of 2 main dive tanks, our main filming tank is approximately 10,000-litres, 3m long, 2m wide and 2m deep with the longest face having a large acrylic viewing window. This tank is ideal for a huge variety of underwater filming and allows the subject to be completely outstretched.

We also have available an enormous 10m long 25,000-litre tank, ideal for close-ups of swimmers over a long distance.

Our underwater experience is second to none with highly trained staff who will help you every step of the way. We also accommodate venue hire for those looking to shoot for their own projects, and have regularly been used for film productions.

Workshops & Open Shoots are held regularly to let both photographers and models try their hand underwater.

www.tankspace.co.uk

Underwater Romance Photography Event Saturday, February 6, 2021



UK Model Events are having our **THIRD UNDERWATER TANK SHOOT!!** Valentine's Day meets underwater magic!

We have two amazing models confirmed for this amazing shoot and more to be confirmed! I can't wait for this truly amazing unique event!

Elizabeth is an amazing top professional model from the well known agency BAME. She has years of experience and is based in London.

Mthabisi is a professional male model. He has an awesome look, great for video & photographic projects.

This is a group shoot for photographers to get a chance to shoot something unique, fun and interesting. They have a 10,000 litre tank!

Photographers have the chance to book a double space for 1:1 with the models for only £180. You will not be in any groups within the Tank Space tent.

www.meetup.com

The Shot Chat

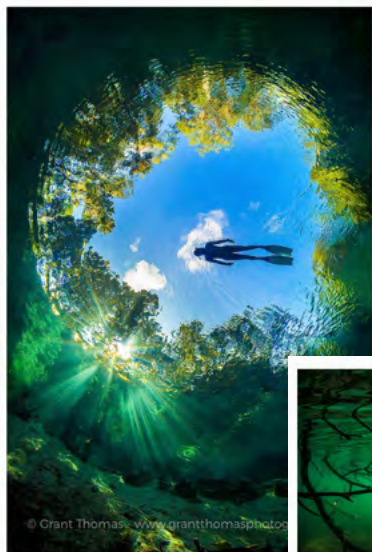
Get the inside track on how award-winning underwater photographers think and feel about images.



I. The Case of the Blurry Cormorants

Henley offers the judging panel something a bit 'special'.

[READ ALL ABOUT IT](#)



II. Why Didn't This Shot Do Better?

Grant asks the panel why this shot, which he loves, didn't do better in competitions.

[READ ALL ABOUT IT](#)



III. The Introverted Barracuda

Shane wonders if there's still a place in the world for understated images such as this barracuda in the mangroves.

[READ ALL ABOUT IT](#)



SPECIAL Edition | UPY 2021 Primer

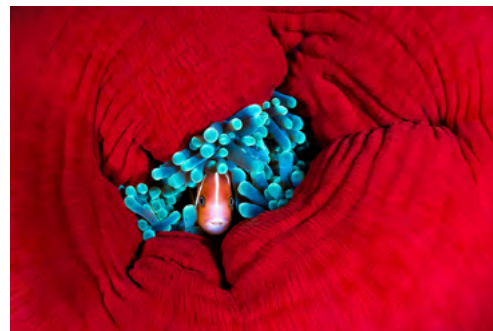
Guest star, and previous overall winner, Richard Barnden, joins The Shot Chat panel to discuss the Underwater Photographer of the Year contest as the deadline for the 2021 edition approaches.

[READ ALL ABOUT IT](#)



www.henleyspiers.com/shot-chat

Shortlisted images from The British Photography Awards 2021



Michael Gallagher



Grant Thomas



Kaushik Subramaniam



Henley Spiers



Will Clark



Mark Kirkland

www.britishphotographyawards.org



BASKING SHARK
SCOTLAND



4 Day & 7 Day Tours - 100% Success in 2017 (2-3 Day Tours 83%)

www.baskingsharkscotland.co.uk



- Biggest Numbers & Most Consistent Worldwide Basking Shark Hotspot
- Based in Hebridean Isles
- Grey & Common Seals
- Whale & Dolphin Hotspot
- Puffins, Seabirds & Eagles
- Evening Photography Dives
- Stunning Scenery
- One - Seven Day Tours
- Guided by Marine Biologists
- Scientific Research Programme

Bunaken Oasis wins the hat-trick at the World Travel Awards

Bunaken Oasis, the award-winning destination on Bunaken Island, North Sulawesi, was recognised as Indonesia's Leading Dive Resort for the third consecutive year at the World Travel Awards 2020.

The World Travel Awards was established in 1993 to acknowledge, reward and celebrate excellence across all key sectors of the travel, tourism and hospitality industries. Today, the World Travel Awards brand is recognised globally as the ultimate hallmark of industry excellence.

For a resort that opened just four years ago, winning the World Travel Awards three times in a row is an incredible achievement.

With the World Travel Awards being recognised globally as the travel industry's ultimate hallmark of quality, owners Elaine & Simon Wallace are thrilled to have won for the third year in succession:

"When we were told a little over a year ago that we had won the award for Indonesia's Leading Dive Resort for the second time we were, quite honestly, astonished,



not simply because we won, but because we finished ahead of all the other excellent resorts in the voting. And again, the boost this gave to our marketing platform has been incalculable: our website and literature - like every other organisation's - can make claims to our quality, but when the World Travel Awards tells potential customers that you're the best in class, it's impossible to overstate how valuable such an endorsement is. (We've also got a very large reception desk at the resort, so there was lots of room for the second statuette...)

www.bunakenoasis.com

www.uwpmag.com

Gregory Sweeney Photography Adventures



Underwater Safari in Baja, Mexico

A Striped Marlin & Baitball Frenzy at Mag Bay
with Diving in La Paz and Cabo Pulmo

www.GregorySweeney.com November 2021

Adam Hanlon Dive Ambassador for The Islands of The Bahamas

Adam Hanlon, veteran British underwater photographer and owner of Wetpixel, has been appointed as a Dive Ambassador for The Islands of The Bahamas.

The historic announcement was made by Ellison “Tommy” Thompson, Deputy Director General of the Bahamas Ministry of Tourism & Aviation (BMOTA), in light of Mr. Hanlon’s outstanding work in diving, film, underwater photography and his affinity for The Bahamas.

“This is a very special

appointment for us,” said Thompson, “it signals our dual belief and commitment to sharing, protecting, preserving and promoting our beautiful environment and natural resources, which for us, are our pristine, crystal-clear waters and rich marine life.”

In 2020, Adam was also invited by the United Nations to become a Champion in Image Making for the Ocean Decade, 2021-2030.

www.Bahamas.com

1-on-1 Underwater Photography Classes with Grant Thomas



Direct interaction with a photo pro is the fastest and easiest way to make dramatic improvements in your skills.

Ikelite ambassador Grant Thomas has been internationally recognized for his work, most recently being announced as a finalist in “Wrecks of the World” and “Best 5 Images” categories in the 2020 Underwater World ShootOut.

Grant offers personalized classes on all aspects of photography and videography. Sessions can take place over Zoom, FaceTime, Skype, or in person (within the United Kingdom). Each session is planned with you in advance and tailored to meet your exact needs. Sample topics include:

Comprehensive instruction on techniques from basic to advanced. Grant runs on location photography workshops throughout the year in a variety of exotic locations and loves



sharing his knowledge with others.

Using programs including Adobe® Lightroom, Photoshop, and Final Cut Pro to get the most out of your images and video. Grant can help you with your entire workflow, from taking photos to importing, processing, and uploading.

Grant can share his years of experience working with a range of camera equipment both above water and underwater.

Marketing yourself is key! Grant can share his professional knowledge of the industry with advice on how to work with magazines, ground operators, agencies, sponsors, brands, and much more. There are many great photographers in the world but getting paid for your work is another ball game entirely.

www.ikelite.com

Baja underwater safari with Gregory Sweeney

Magdalena Bay in Baja Mexico is a hot destination during November to see the striped marlin and other ocean predators in action as they prey on the sardine migration. While Mag Bay is a dream trip for photographers and action junkies, Baja has epic diving all over the peninsula that should not to be missed. After an offshore adventure snorkeling with the marlin and sea lions on the Pacific side of Baja, divers are rewarded with unique diving on the eastern side in La Paz and expansive natural beauty underwater in the Cabo Pulmo National Park.

The seaside town of La Paz has a dive unique to La Paz: a night dive with mobula rays. Plankton are drawn like a magnet to our lights and schools of rays come swooping in to dive down to feed in the sand. It is non-stop swirl of action at night. Nearby is a California Sea Lion colony where divers are treated to the fun antics of these friendly mammals who dive from the rocks then zoom around doing funny and crazy moves while interacting with the divers.

Cabo Pulmo has initiated a national park and the diving in these pristine waters is a memorable treat. Mega schools of jacks rotate



around you in the clear water; it is an awesome sight to see and photograph and we may encounter dolphins as they hunt the fish. These waters are also full of wrecks inhabited by bull sharks and colorful fish. Humpback Whales are frequent visitors.

The diving in Baja ranges from fun and energetic to quietly beautiful while the sardine run is a dramatic frenzy from the minute we spot the sea birds and sardines boiling at the surface.

Underwater the marlin cooperate in maneuvers to hold the bait balls from escaping while one by one they take turns with attack runs. Sea lions also dart about through the bait balls.

This spectacle is one of the most exciting things you can witness and photograph underwater and is truly an experience not to miss: it is no wonder why it is such a hot destination right now.

Those who only visit the Magdalena Bay area are not fully appreciating the natural jewel that is the whole of the Baja Mexico peninsula. My Baja trip will combine the sardine run action of Magdalena Bay with sea lions, mobula rays by night, and the protected waters of Cabo Pulmo.

www.gregorysweeney.com

Manta Ray Bay and Yap Divers opening offers

The award-winning Manta Ray Bay Resort and Yap Divers on the remote Micronesian island of Yap is preparing to make diver's dreams come true once again.

"We're offering not-to-be-missed packages for the moment the island's borders open up to welcome visitors back again," announced Texas-born and bred Bill Acker, CEO and founder of Manta Ray. In one of only eleven countries that are free of the COVID-19 virus, Yap's premier resort is on the bucket list of divers around the world.

"Although we don't yet know when Yap's borders will be opened, we want to be among the first to welcome divers back to the sport we all love," said Bill. "That's why we're offering these great deals."

Manta Ray's Grand Re-opening Special offers for 2021 and 2022 include, for individual bookings, three free nights when booking 7 nights/15 dives, 10 nights/24 dives, or 14 nights/33 dives. For groups of eight or more, get eight free spots for every 8 paid divers. "That's right," said Bill, "that's not a typo. Pay for eight divers and come with 16!"

www.mantaray.com



CANON EOS R5

PICK

SONY A7S III

YOUR

NIKON Z6 II

POISON


ikelite