# The Photographer's Guide to HDR Efex Pro









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# **Preface**

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Fine Art Flower Photography ('05)

Fine Art Nature Photography: Water, Ice, Fog ('07)

Fine Art Digital Photography ('09)

HDR Photography (summer 2011)

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