

THE PEAK DISTRICT – IN A WHOLE NEW LIGHT.

In line with its commitment to furthering the medium of black and white photography, leading monochrome specialist **ILFORD PHOTO** is supporting an exhibition by a rapidly emerging landscape photographer. Dave Butcher's Peak Light exhibition runs from January 12th to March 23rd 2008 and is due to take place at the heart of an area featured in much of the photographer's work – Buxton Museum and Art Gallery in the Peak District National Park.

The exhibition will showcase images from Dave's book also entitled Peak Light – so called because of the widespread use of differing lighting levels to show landmarks in new and fascinating ways. The images give a pictorial tour of the Peaks, from the limestone dales in the south through to peat bogs of the north. In particular, visitors can look forward to shots likely to include dramatic vistas, water falls, woodlands and rock forms.

A lifelong advocate of black and white photography, Dave, like many other photographers of a similar ilk, uses ILFORD PHOTO products – specifically FP4 Plus film and MULTIGRADE IV FB FIBER paper. He prefers the traditional darkroom-based approach to monochrome printing, seeing it as a second creative phase in realising on paper what was envisaged at the time of exposure. His breathtaking black and white landscapes have gone on to gain admiration and fans all over the world and he views this exhibition as a chance to return to his roots.

Speaking of the event, Dave said: "I have made the Peak District my home for over 20 years and even now I never cease to be amazed by the natural beauty on my doorstep. This exhibition marks a chance to showcase my work, depicting the place that I live – and a place that I love."

Meanwhile, Howard Hopwood, Marketing Director at **HARMAN technology Limited** (the company behind ILFORD PHOTO), added: "At HARMAN technology, we're every bit as passionate about black and white photography as the people who use our ILFORD PHOTO products. As such it gives us enormous pleasure to support Dave Butcher in this exhibition. We hope it will be widely attended and that even more people will become aware of his unique and impressive talents."

The event will open on Saturday January 12th 2008 at 2pm with a special exhibition preview attended by the photographer and during which there will be a book signing and refreshments. Dave Butcher will also be conducting further book signings on Saturday 16th February and Saturday 22nd March.

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IMAGES & CAPTIONS:

Waterfall Swallet #1 –
Solomon's temple, Buxton -

NOTES TO EDITORS –

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Dave Butcher is a full time, professional fine art photographer based in the Peak District. Working exclusively in black and white, he has been making photographic images since the early 1970s, gaining his Associateship of The Royal Photographic Society in 1987. He has been selling fine art photographs of hill and mountain landscapes for more than 20 years and his hand-made original prints can be found in many private collections worldwide as well as on display in many businesses and homes. His first book 'High Light' was published by Arem Publishing in 2005 and has already been reprinted. His images have also been included in many other books and magazines.

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