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# Assignment 2: Elements of Design

#### INTRODUCTION:

THIS ASSIGNMENT REQUIRES ME TO ILLUSTRATE DIFFERENT ELEMENTS OF DESIGN ON A GIVEN SUBJECT. I HAVE DECIDED TO CHOOSE A SUBJECT OF MY OWN - MODELS - AN AREA I AM PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN.

MY HEART-FELT THANKS TO BETH, REBECCA AND OWEN FOR THEIR TIRELESS SUPPORT AND PATIENCE.

#### SINGLE POINT

THIS FIRST PHOTOGRAPH IS OF BETH. I ASKED HER TO LEAN BACK AGAINST THIS OLD DOOR I FOUND AT A DERELICT SITE, NEAR WHERE I LIVE. I ALSO ASKED HER TO WEAR THIS ANTIQUE-STYLE OUTFIT.

I THINK HER EXPRESSION DOMINATES THE PHOTO-GRAPH TO THE POINT WHERE THE VIEWER MIGHT WONDER JUST WHAT'S ON HER MIND.

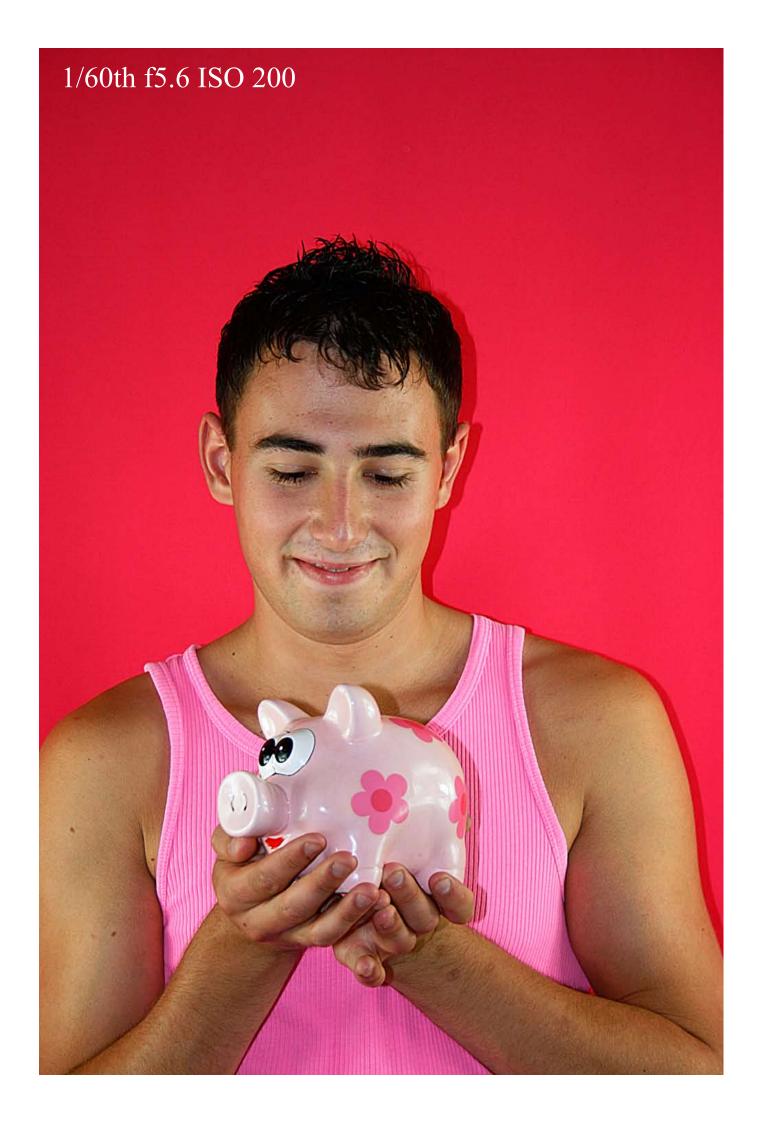
I APPLIED SOME POST PROCESS FILTERING TO TRY AND ACHIEVE A JAN SAUDEK-ISH EFFECT.



## Two Points

OWEN HOLDS A PINK PIGGY BANK, POSING IN PINK AGAINST A DARK PINK BACKDROP. LIT FROM EACH SIDE BY A COUPLE OF SOFTBOXES, I ASKED HIM TO LOOK AT THE PIG.

I THINK, BECAUSE HE IS LOOKING AT THE PIG, THE VIEWER AUTOMATICALLY DOES THE SAME, THUS CREATING A 'TWO-POINT' COMPOSITION.



#### SEVERAL POINTS IN A DELIBERATE SHAPE

I THINK THERE A SEVERAL POINTS IN THIS COMPOSITION. OBVIOUSLY THERE'S BETH, BUT I THINK THE BLUE DOOR IN THE CENTRE OF THE PHOTOGRAPH, THE RED RAG ON THE FLOOR, THE BROKEN BITS OF WOOD, THE LINE OF WINDOWS AND THE ROOF TRUSSES ALL FEATURE QUITE STRONGLY.

THE PHOTOGRAPH GIVES THE VIEWER A LOT TO LOOK AT.



## VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL LINES

I TRIED TO USE THE DOORWAY, CHIMNEY BREAST, CORNER AND INDEED THE BRICKWORK PATTERN TO ILLUSTRATE A COMBINATION OF VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL LINES.

I APPRECIATE THAT BETH DOES MAKE THIS A SIN-GLE POINT COMPOSITION TOO, BUT BECAUSE SHE DOESN'T FILL THE FRAME, SHE IS NOT THE DOMI-NANT POINT, THE BACKGROUND IS, IN MY OPINION.

I ALSO TREATED THE SHOT TO SOME POST PROCESS FILTERING, WHICH I HOPE GIVES IT A MOODY FEEL.

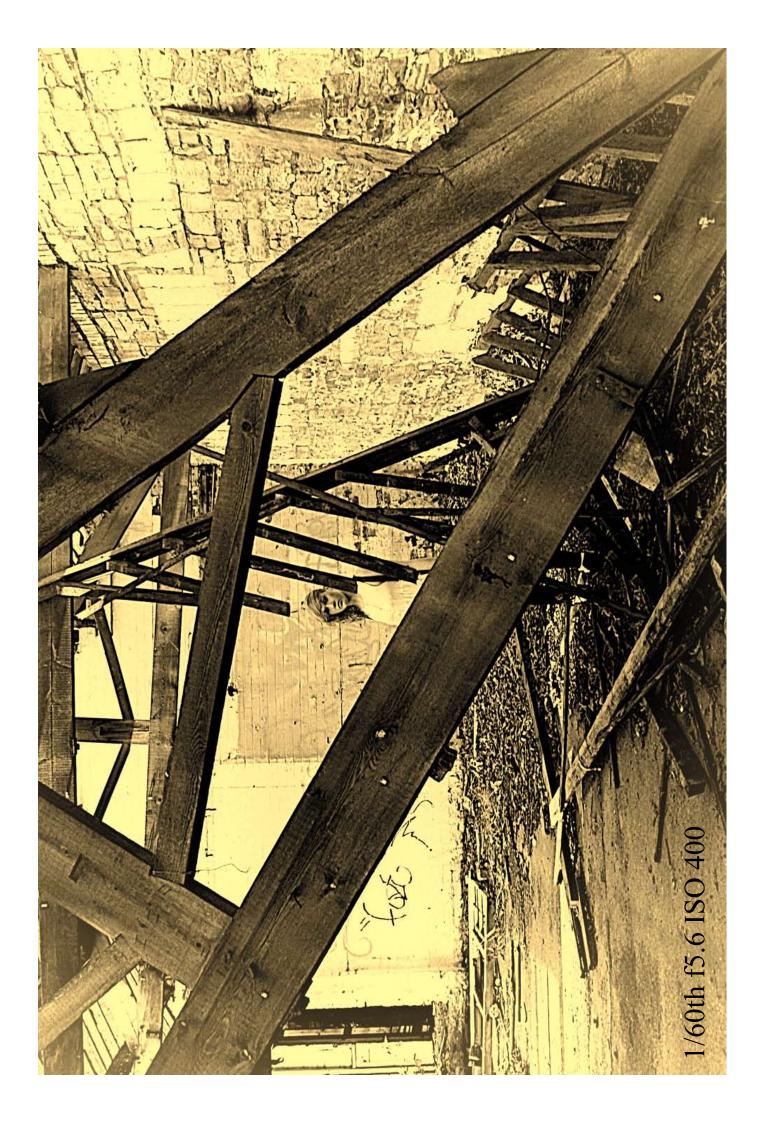


### **DIAGONALS**

THIS WONDERFUL DERELICT SETTING HAD READY MADE DIAGONALS FOR ME. FALLEN ROOF TRUSSES PROVIDED AN IDEAL FOREGROUND FOR THIS SHOT OF BETH.

This would also be suitable for a 'triangle' shot.

To enhance the texture of the shot, I applied some antique filter.

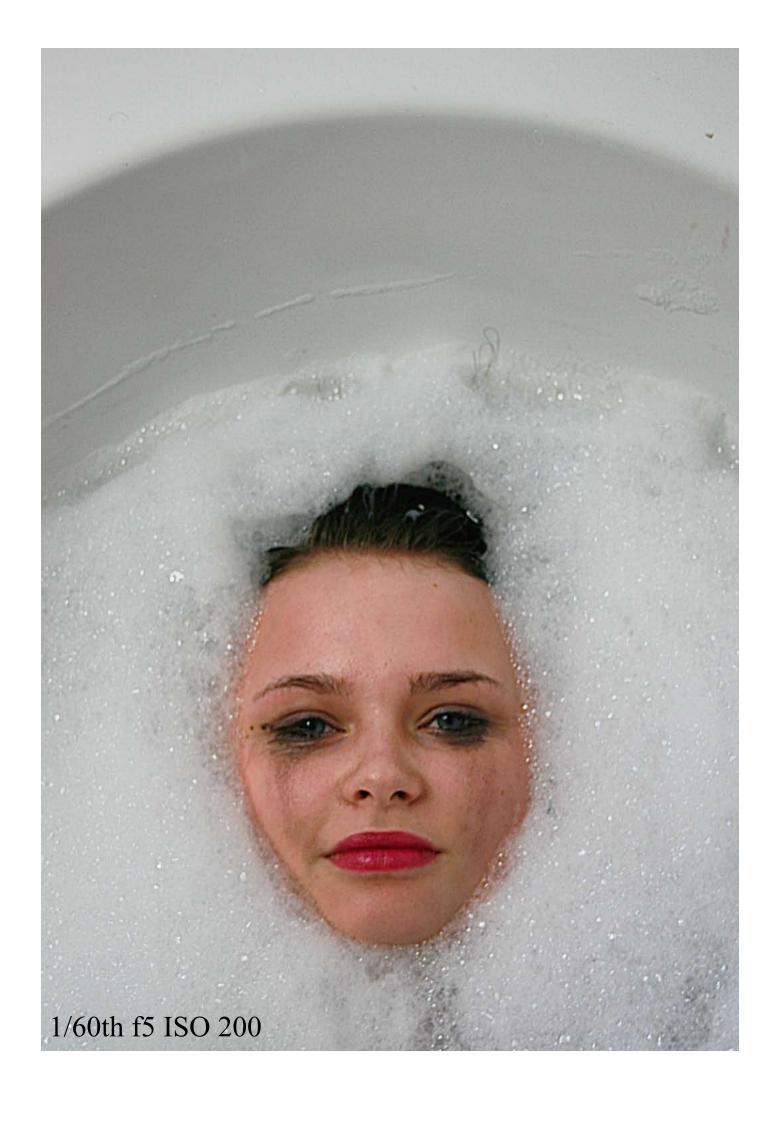


#### **CURVES**

I TRIED TO INCORPORATE THE CURVATURE OF THE BATH EDGE, THE WATER LINE AND REBECCA'S FACE IN THIS NEXT CAPTURE.

HER EYE MAKE-UP FOLLOWS THE SAME CURVES AS IT RUNS DOWN HER CHEEKS.

I THINK CIRCLES AND CURVES FEATURE MORE AND MORE AS YOU LOOK AT THIS SHOT. HER EYES, MOUTH, EVEN THE BUBBLES REPRESENT SOME FORM OF CURVATURE.

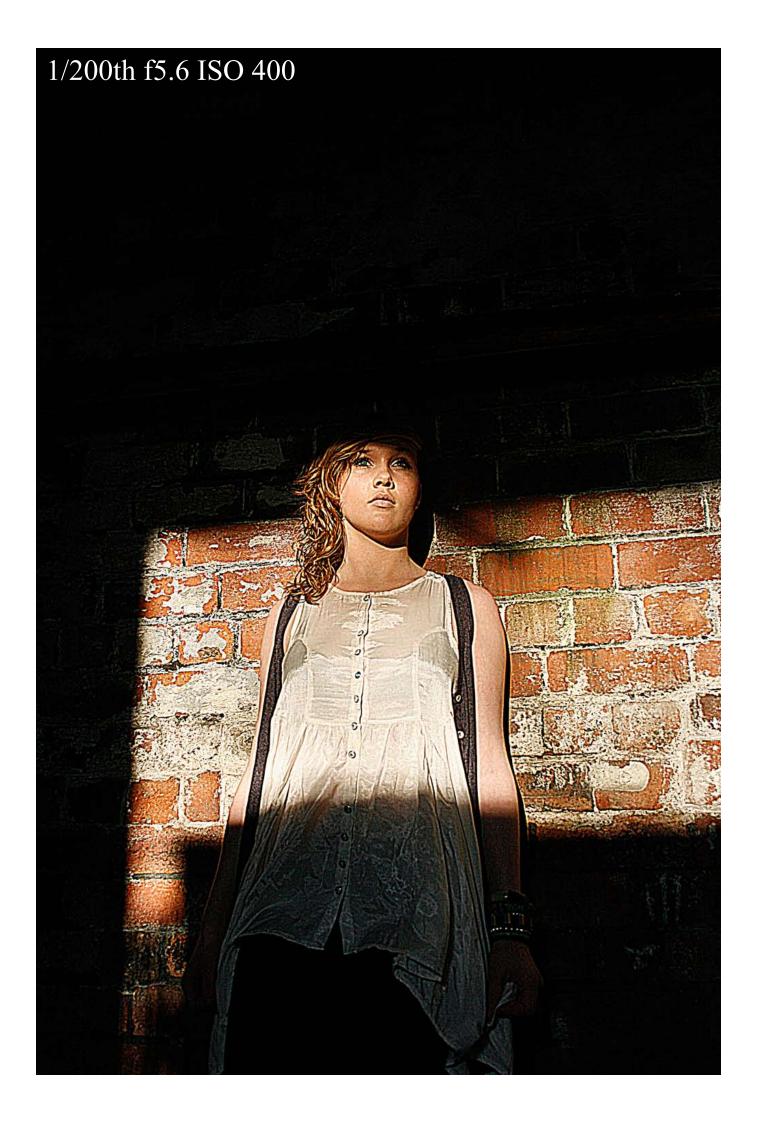


#### DISTINCT SHAPES

I HAVE DECIDED TO SHOW TWO EXAMPLES HERE,
JUST TO BE ON THE SAFE SIDE AND TO SHOW THAT
I UNDERSTAND THIS CONCEPT.

THE FIRST SHOT WAS TAKEN WITH BETH INSIDE A SMALL DERELICT OUT BUILDING. THE SUNLIGHT BLASTED IN THROUGH A BROKEN WINDOW AND CREATED THE DISTINCTIVE RECTANGULAR SHAPES ON THE WALL. BETH ALSO CONTRIBUTED WITH HER CIRCULAR SHAPED FACE, PICKED OUT BY THE SUNLIGHT.

THE SECOND SHOT IS OF BETH STANDING IN A RECTANGULAR DOORWAY, HER LEGS FORM A DISTINCT TRIANGLE, MATCHED BY THE TWIG IN THE FOREGROUND.

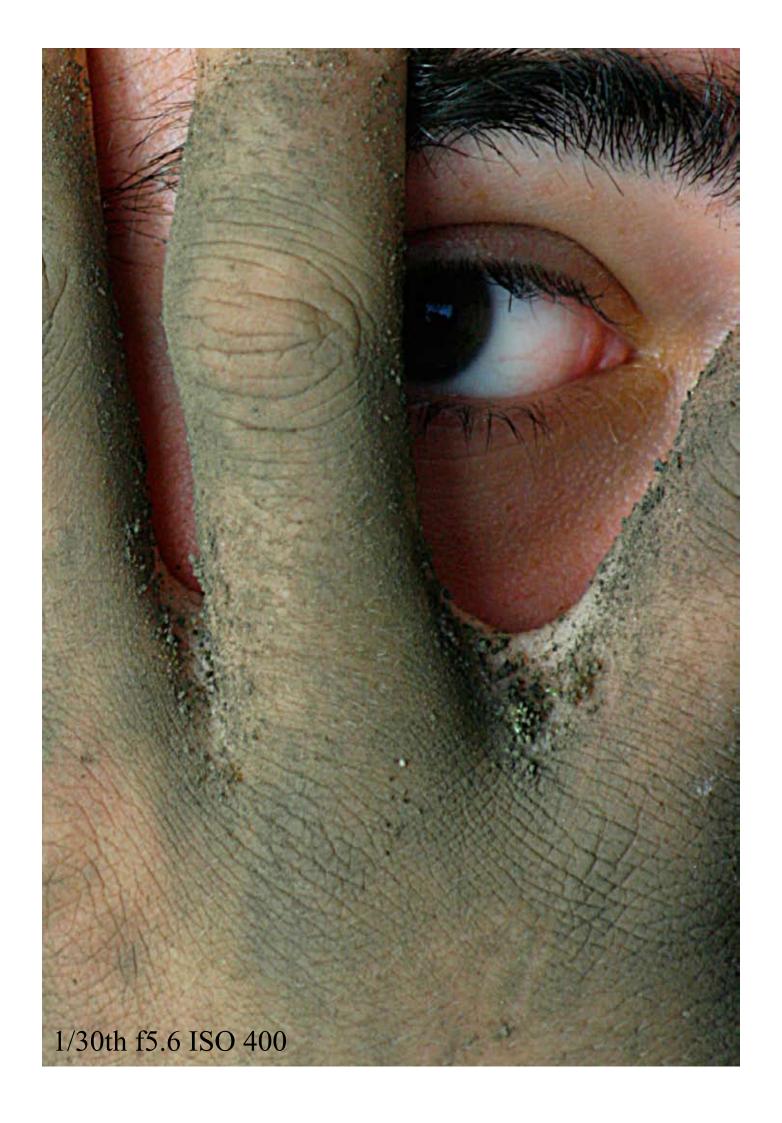




## **IMPLIED TRIANGLES**

HERE ARE SEVERAL EXAMPLES OF IMPLIED TRI-ANGLES. THE FIRST IS OF OWEN PEEPING THROUGH HIS FINGERS.

BETH PROVIDES THE SECOND WITH HER LEGS SITTING ON A BED AND REBECCA IN HER 'PSYCHO' POSE, PROVIDES THE THIRD.



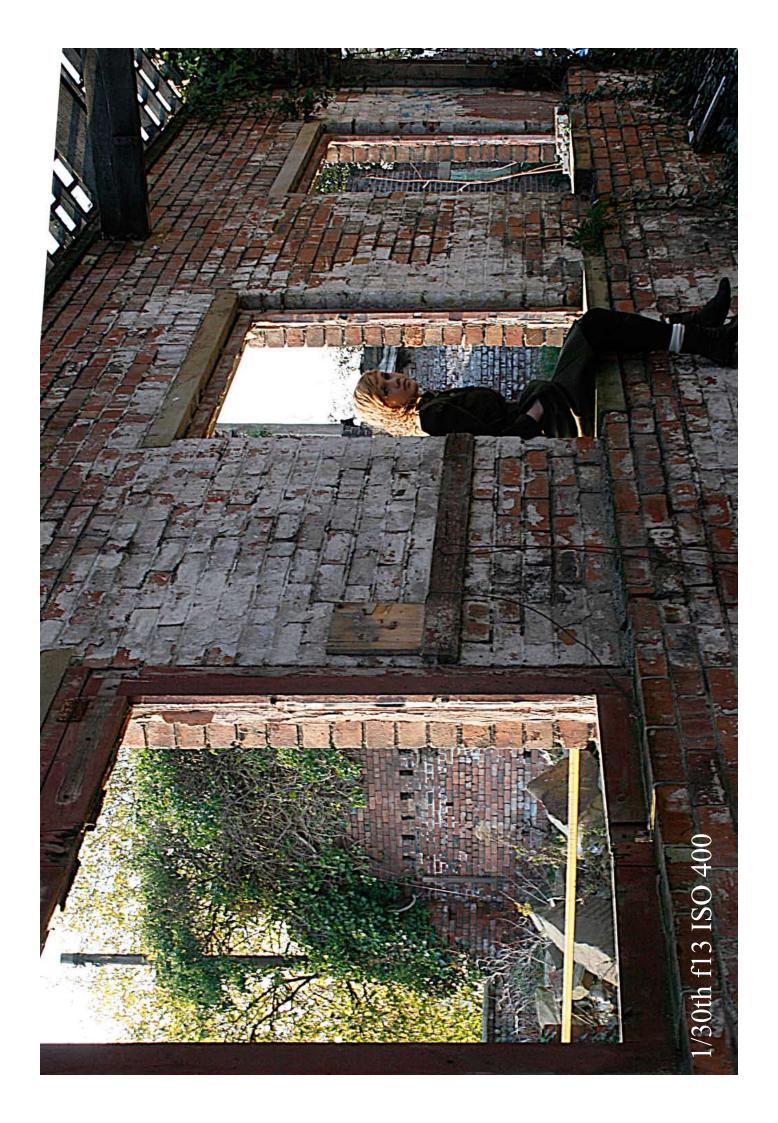




#### **RHYTHM**

NOT UNSIMILAR TO ANOTHER SHOT IN THIS ASSIGNMENT, THIS SHOWS THE VISUAL RHYTHM OF THE BRICKWORK AND WINDOWS, BROKEN BY BETH IN THE MIDDLE WINDOW.

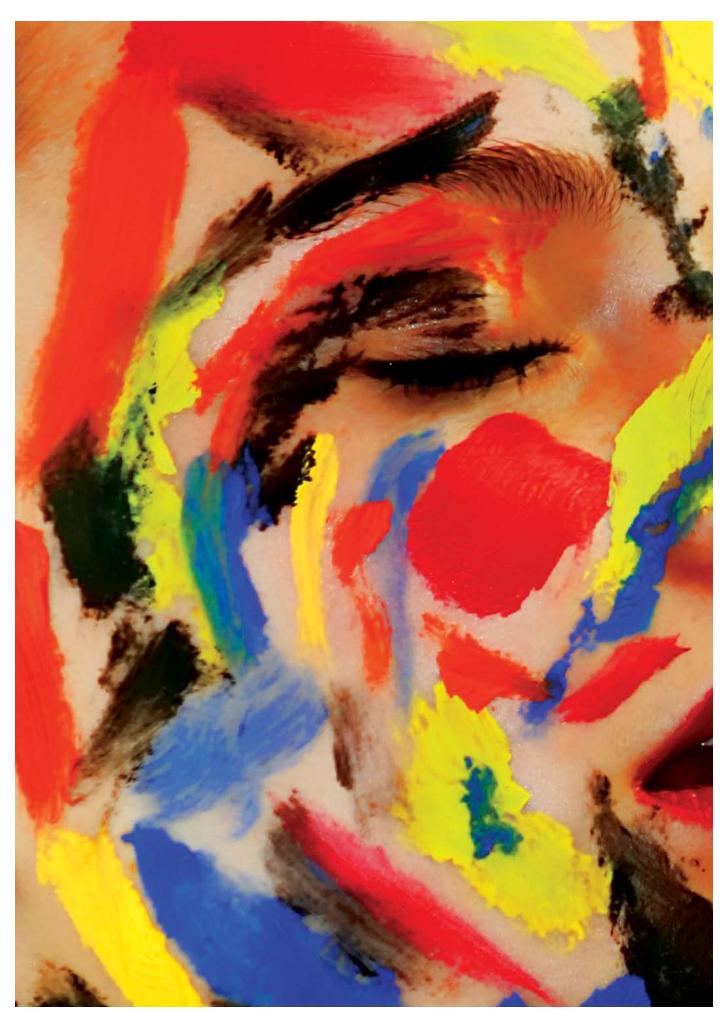
I HAD THOUGHT OF PLACING HER IN THE WINDOW FURTHEST AWAY TO GIVE THE SHOT MORE RHYTHM, BUT DECIDED THAT SHE WOULD BE TOO INSIGNIFI-CANT AT THAT DISTANCE.



#### **PATTERN**

I STRUGGLED A BIT WITH THIS ONE IN THAT IT WAS NIGH ON IMPOSSIBLE TO SHOOT A PATTERN SHOT INVOLVING A PERSON, OR PART OF A PERSON IN THE CONTEXT OF THIS EXERCISE.

SO I DECIDED TO BE QUITE LITERAL AND ACTUALLY PAINT A PATTERN ON REBECCA'S FACE AND CROP THE SHOT TO CONFUSE THE VIEWER.



1/30th f5 ISO 100 (with flash)