

## Tom Bender

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Tom is a native Texan whose life journey took him to the Midwest, the Southwest, back to Texas then to Maine and finally back to Texas. Tom is a “self taught photographer” whose training was



due to a fortuitous collection of mentors. His first mentor taught him to see the details in the reflections and the shadows. Perhaps more importantly, he taught Tom how to capture those details on film. That profound experience shaped the next 45 years of Tom’s artistic journey and resulted in a true love of art. He transitioned from film to digital during his transition from Texas to Maine and back. He returns many times to the fascinating places he has photographed; to capture the time lapse – a couple of minutes or several days – that reflect the drastic changes in the light and weather as he captures each locations’ many moods. When he moved to Wimberley he also moved more into Digital Photo Art, some of it surreal. This move is evident in his phone booth series, the violin series and many more of his recent works. While some of his surreal images invoke questions, they are never dark; tongue in

cheek would be the better description. He is active in the Art Guild of the Kennebunks, the Wimberley Valley Art League and the New Braunfels Art League. Tom’s sense of humor is evident in his finished work. Some of his images raise questions, some will pull your leg and some will tug at your heart.

The consummate artist, not satisfied with only capturing art through a camera’s lens, and manipulating many of those images with the computer mouse, Tom has recently ventured into additional artistic endeavors. His current mentor is honestly critiquing his journey into oil painting. Please Visit Tom’s website [www.tombenderimages.com](http://www.tombenderimages.com) to view his portfolio and to purchase his art.