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Sacred Landscapes: The Photography of Kevin Boldenow
April 10 – May 31

Pensacola, FL – Artist, and fellow Floridian, Kevin Boldenow is bringing part of his photography collection to the Pensacola Museum of Art (PMA). The exhibition will focus on Boldenow's black & white landscape photography. *Sacred Landscapes* is on view from April 10 to May 31, 2014.

Opening Reception: April 10, 5:30-7pm

Artist Statement: *At an early age, my Father pointed out the importance of nature. I learned how ignoring Mother Nature's wonders could only lead to certain disaster. Growing up in the 1960s, I realized how destructive a course we had taken—dumping pollutants in the Great Lakes, air quality, and the use of DDT and other pesticides without proper testing was upsetting the balance of our ecology. My Junior High School class participated in the first Earth Day celebration at the University of Michigan. It left a lasting impression.*

I am not interested in coercing people to become die-hard environmentalists, but rather to look at my photography and recognize the beauty, vitality, and necessity of our natural resources. By viewing my photography, I hope that people make a concerted effort to preserve the environment for the pleasure and responsible use for future generations. Thematically, my photography is a look outside our surroundings. I want people to feel as if they are a part of my image. We are a part of nature, and coexist with every living thing on this planet. Harming nature inflicts damage on all of us, and does away with a piece of our soul.

I'm hoping my photography, no matter where taken, creates a better understanding of our environment. I want my audience to recognize the beauty and power of nature, not just in Florida, but everywhere in the world. My Father would be proud.

Museum hours are Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Saturday 12:00-5:00 p.m. The Museum is closed Sunday and Monday. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students, seniors and active duty military. Children under 5 are free. Admission is free the last Tuesday of every month. For more information about the Museum call (850) 432-6247, visit the website at pensacolamuseum.org or log on to Facebook at [facebook.com/pensacolamuseumofart](https://www.facebook.com/pensacolamuseumofart)

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