

# Fisher Photographics

## Art Nude Shoot Information

### 1. What are nude shoots?

My intent is not to make smutty work, it is more to do with prowess, symmetry, grace and the fall of light on natural objects. Artistic nudes should show the subject in a way that has artistic merit using shadows, poses or locations to provide a degree of modesty that keeps the image away from the fine line. As with all art the image should show a message to the viewer, an idea, an ideal or an emotion.

### 2. What are the Model's rights to the images?

Just the same in all creative industries the model does not have copyrights to any images produced. This means that while you have your own CD of images you cannot use the images for financial gain or for editorial use. If you would like to use the images for these purposes then written permission is required from the copyright owner. I do of course let models and clients use the images for their portfolios, personal printing and submission to modelling agencies.

### 3. So what can are the Photographer's rights to the images?

The photographer holds full copyrights for all images that are taken, just the same as a writer retains copyright of a song even if someone else is singing it. The copyright system means that because the photographer owns the image, I have the right to exhibit the art pieces.

### 4. So what is a Model Release?

There is a misconception that the release is where the model gives rights to the artist, this is not the case. The form is designed to protect both parties. By signing the release, the model accepts that they have been given the images or that they have been paid. The form also shows that the model and photographer both know what they can use the images for and who has copyright over the images. The form I use is taken from the Alamy Image library and so is an industry standard release protecting both model and photographer under English and Scottish law.

### 5. Do I have to sign a model release for nude shoots?

The majority of professional photographers require model releases to be signed for all shoots. On our shoot I would request you sign the release as it protects us both. If however you have reservations you can treat the form as optional, it is more to clarify that I can exhibit and sell my artwork. The model release also stipulates that you will always be given credit in the final art piece.

### 6. What uses are the images most likely to be used for?

FisherPhotographics will never mistreat your images or your likeness; this is strongly stipulated in the model release. I can obviously use the images for publication on the internet (my website for example). The vast majority of my work is now intended for art exhibitions and one off sales. In time I hope to run a series of exhibitions at various galleries in the region. I also intend to sell bespoke pieces of art to the public; this means I will NOT be using the images for image libraries, magazines or other editorial or commercial uses. No image from the shoot will be available in mass volumes, but will be in one off hand prints. All images on my website will be protected both by copyright law and by various web scripts design to prevent people stealing them.