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## Talented Local Photographer Exhibits at Dean Heritage Centre

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Forest of Dean photographer Ben Locke will be exhibiting his work in the brand new gallery space at the Dean Heritage Centre. The collection will be available to view from Saturday 6th August until Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011.

Ben lives in the local area which is where the majority of his photography is done. He uses a wide range of techniques including infrared photography to produce images that reflect the beauty of motion in natural forms such as clouds, stars and lakes.

The collection showcases the landscapes and wildlife of the area and is a fantastic opportunity to see the gifted work of one of the Forest of Dean's local photographers.

When asked about his exhibition debut Ben said, *I am* looking forward to it as it's my first exhibition and I will also be the first artist to exhibit in the new space at the centre. I hope people will enjoy looking at my photography as much as I enjoy doing it.

The exhibition coincides with an array of other summer events including a celebration of the sporting heroes of Gloucestershire on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August, Fish, Fykes and Ferries with interactive performances based around the River Severn on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August and the charcoal burning event starting on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> until Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August.

Also running throughout August is the Kids Summer Activities programme which includes games, craft activities, a pond audit, a new pirate adventure challenge and ferret walking. There is something for the whole family at Dean Heritage Centre this summer.

Entry to the Ben Locke photography exhibition is included in the Dean Heritage Centre's admission fee. Please visit [www.deanheritagecentre.com](http://www.deanheritagecentre.com) or call 01594 822170 for more information.





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For more information or if you would like a photograph to illustrate the article please contact Harri Le Claire on 01594 822170 or email: [Harri@deanheritagecentre.com](mailto:Harri@deanheritagecentre.com)

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## Notes to editors

- The Dean Heritage Centre is based in five acres of scenic woodland and is home to the ~~the~~ Museum of the Forest. It tells the story of the Forest of Dean and its people spanning 10,000 years of history, from the ice age to present day.
- It is open 363 days a year and offers a full diary of events, activities and exhibitions.
- It is a centre of education and offers tailored educational workshops and activities to tie in with the school curriculum. For more information please call Sarah Fuller on 01594 822170.
- The Centre has been awarded the accreditation of Quality Assured Visitor Attraction.
- The Dean Heritage Museum Trust (DHMT) is a company limited by guarantee and is a registered charity.
- In March 2007 the Centre was awarded the accreditation of Quality Assured Visitor Attraction.

Please visit [www.deanheritagecentre.com](http://www.deanheritagecentre.com) to view further details about upcoming events including our ~~the~~ Kids Summer Activities which are available daily throughout the Summer.

## Ben Locke

Ben is based in the Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire, one of the few surviving ancient woodlands in England. Please visit Ben Locke Photography on Facebook and Twitter for the latest news about additions to the site, places to see Ben's work, or upcoming events.

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