Nightflowers: A bee's eye view of nature

The images in the *Nightflowers* collection provide a bees-eye view of flowers. By zooming in to macro range, the flowers are decontextualized to draw the viewer in to explore the extreme detail everpresent in nature that is often overlooked. The structure, color and the texture of the flower are the stars in this series.

By presenting flowers at close range without distraction of background and setting, these images give the viewer an enhanced view of nature and, perhaps, an appreciation of the complexity and diversity of nature they may never have experienced. When reproduced in 4' x 4' format, the experience is mesmerizing.

The series presents each flower from a common viewpoint, looking straight into the eye or soul of the flower. Indeed, each flower takes on its own personality: Some are energetic, others are whimsical. They all share something else in common: Their lives on this earth are short. Some, like the tropical hibiscus, will flower in the morning and wither by night. *Nightflowers* immortalizes and preserves these fleeting moments so we may enjoy them forever.