

# Joyce Tenneson

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If I had to pick a single word to describe what my pictures are all about, I would say 'secrets.' As a child I always had a secret world and my favorite book was *A Secret Garden*.

~Joyce Tenneson

Have the utmost respect for your subjects. Love them.

~Joyce Tenneson

I think of my work as very polarizing; either people really do like it and are touched by it or they really don't get it at all. It's not accessible to all people at the same level.

~Joyce Tenneson

Our best pictures happen by grace.

~Joyce Tenneson

I would never censor something to please someone. I don't play games.

~Joyce Tenneson

I love feeling that I am opening new worlds for people who don't have time to investigate these things themselves.

~Joyce Tenneson

Find the one thing you're good at and FOCUS on it.

~Joyce Tenneson

I have the same themes over and over again. How I'm saying it keeps changing or growing.

~Joyce Tenneson

I never chased after any particular school, never really had mentors; I really just did the work that was true to me.

~Joyce Tenneson

The people I work with, the people I photograph, become a kind of family for me.

~Joyce Tenneson

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