Photographs by Iman Jones
at Awbury Arboretum

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Iman Jones was born and raised in Philadelphia. The city’s wealth of history and proximity to nature helped him to cultivate an interest in and love of photography. The photographer had his first brush with a single lens reflex camera while attending Central High School. There, he learned the functions of a film camera and how to develop his eye.

During his tenure at Temple University, Jones began studying under Dr. Edward Trayes, who helped him grow creatively and further his passion for the photographic arts – specifically black and white photography. Seeing the world without color highlighted the many variations of light, and spoke to Jones in a different way than color. Though he still shoots in color, he prefers the timeless feeling of black and white, and the way it encourages viewers to use their imagination.

Though Mr. Jones shoots many subjects, including people, architecture, abstracts and landscapes, his favorite subject is nature. He says

“In my opinion, there is much to miss if one only focuses their eyes only on ourselves and what we have made. In my photography, I try to slow the pace of life down for my viewer so the experience transcends vision, to where one can imagine the smell of the roses, so to speak. I would like people to come away with the feeling of wonderment and curiosity after viewing my images. I would want to them to feel what I felt in capturing the photograph.”

Iman Jones’ event photography has been published online with 215mag.com. His personal work has been featured in Aesthetics Magazine, and he has worked on various projects with the artists’ collective Partners in Theory. He has won two Mid-Atlantic Emmy awards as a field producer/undercover camera operator for two investigative journalism stories for CBS3.