

Ian Dawson

Ian Dawson is a photographer whose work is guided by a lifelong fascination with the planet's most remote and fragile environments. A fine art graduate, he has built an international career as a photojournalist, picture editor, and filmmaker, producing work for *The Sunday Times*, BBC, *The Wall Street Journal*, Forbes, *Vogue*, and many other leading publications. His assignments have ranged widely—from conflict zones and royal tours to wildlife and environmental reportage.

An award-winning press photographer represented by Getty Images, Ian now focuses on the polar regions, where he documents people, wildlife, and landscapes at the frontlines of environmental change. His approach is grounded in quiet observation and respectful engagement, aiming to bear witness rather than impose narrative.



In 2021, Ian was appointed a Photo Ambassador for Ponant Expedition cruises. His ongoing polar work will soon be published in a fine-art book created in collaboration with fellow photographer Sue Flood, and will feature in exhibitions in Norway, France, New Zealand, the UK, and the USA.

Ian is a member of the Guild of Picture Editors, The Alpine Club, and The Explorers Club. He was made a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society in 2025 in recognition of his contributions to visual storytelling and geographic knowledge.

Alongside his photographic work, Ian has volunteered for over two decades with Scottish Mountain Rescue, a commitment recognised with the Diamond and Platinum Jubilee Medals from Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. When not travelling, he lives with his family in Scotland's Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park.

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