

**Alistair Crawford**  
*Photography*

The award of Sir Winston Churchill Fellow in Photography as Art in 1982 which provided a three month scholarship to Italy, spent, one month each, learning the practice of colour photography with the distinguished Italian photographer, Elio Ciol in Casarsa, Friuli; making individual images while based at the Convento di San Agostino, San Gimignano, Tuscany; and beginning the (many years of) investigation of the photography holdings at the British School at Rome, led to much professional involvement with photography since then: as a museum curator, historian & critic, and practitioner. The impetus, prior to the Churchill Fellowship in 1982, was the instigation, design and curation of two major travelling exhibitions of photography in 1977: on John Thomas (1838-1905) and Elio Ciol (see the many references on this site to both). Photographs produced since then are silver prints and colour machine prints in cibachrome – much frowned on at the time of their production but now regarded as ‘antiques.’ They have been principally concerned via travel in Britain, throughout Europe, and the United States, using the subjects of landscape, architecture and, acknowledging Walker Evans and Robert Frank, the photography ‘of the street.’ Current digital images have yet to be exhibited.

**It is in the Nature of My Gaze**

An extensive series of black and white silver photographs (30.5 x 40.5) made between 1989-1994 in Italy, Spain and Germany. Although the events are real, they are portrayed as fiction, as if they were stills from a movie and demonstrate that photographic reality can also be personal fiction which is more real than the photograph.

*Collected Photographs 1989-1994*  
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