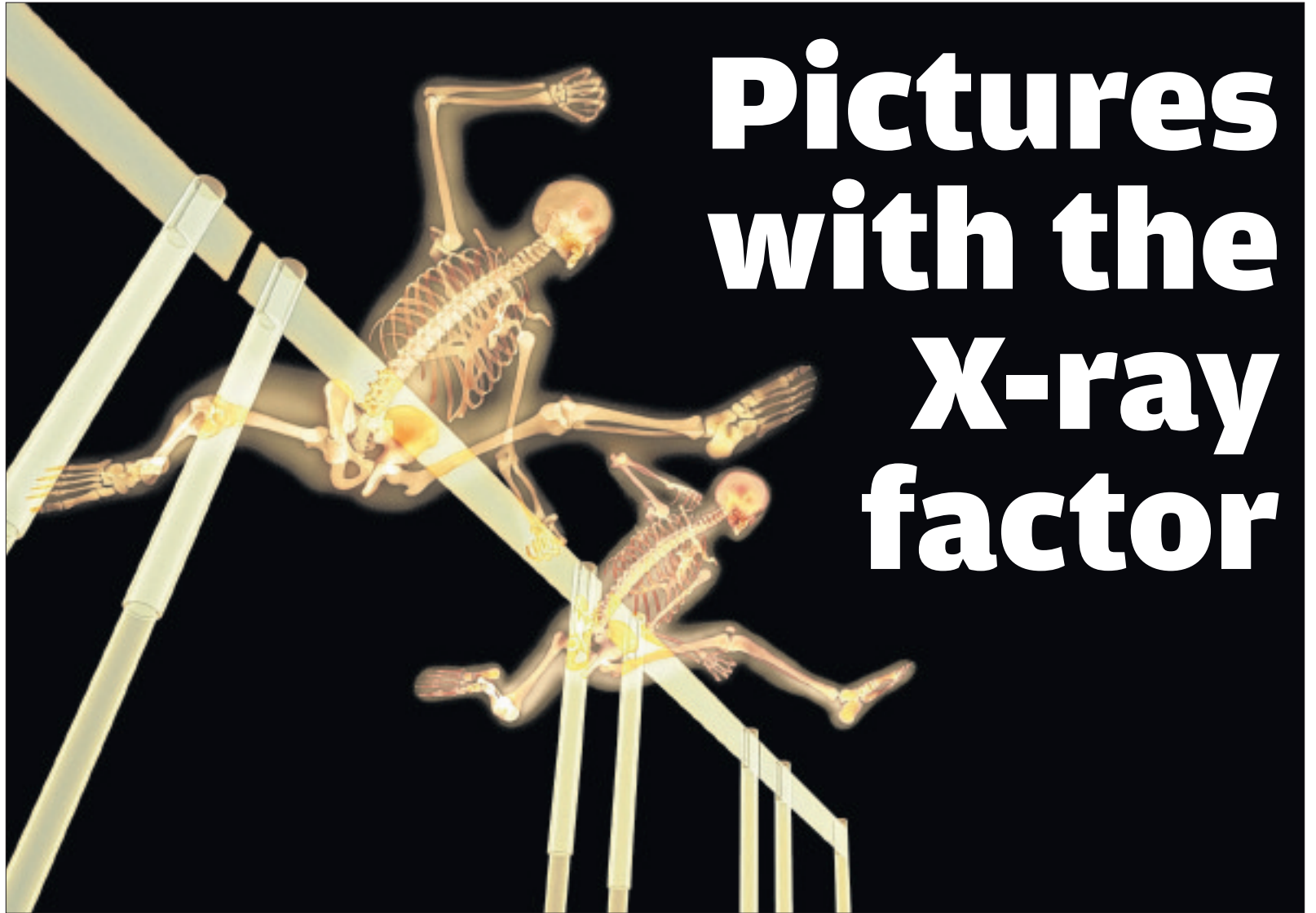


Meet the man whose visionary images are always close to the bone



Pictures with the X-ray factor

Bones of contention: Some of Hugh Turvey's work mixes photography and X-rays with amazing results Pictures: Gusto Images/Science Photo Library

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MOST of us only see X-rays when we've broken a bone but for one man they reveal the hidden beauty of everyday things.

Photographer Hugh Turvey has used X-ray technology to create more than 800 stunning images.

From displaying the mechanics of a motorbike to the inside of pea pods, the London-based artist has produced truly magnetic portraits.

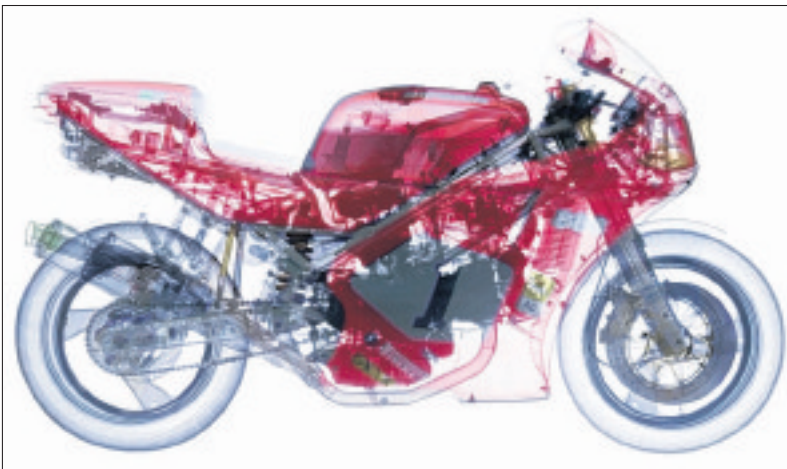
'A designer friend asked me to source a broken bone for an album cover and I befriended a head of radiology at the Royal Free Hospital in Hampstead who gave me encouragement and direction,' said the 38-year-old.

'The images are captured using a conventional black and white film which is exposed by phosphors as X-rays collide with it.

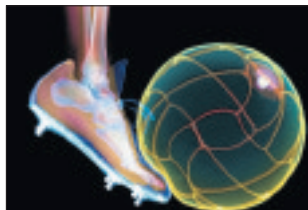
'The film used depends on the density range of an object and we use specialist films to capture very fine detail.

'Colouring is the final stage of the process and allows us to enhance areas of density variance and interest within the image.'

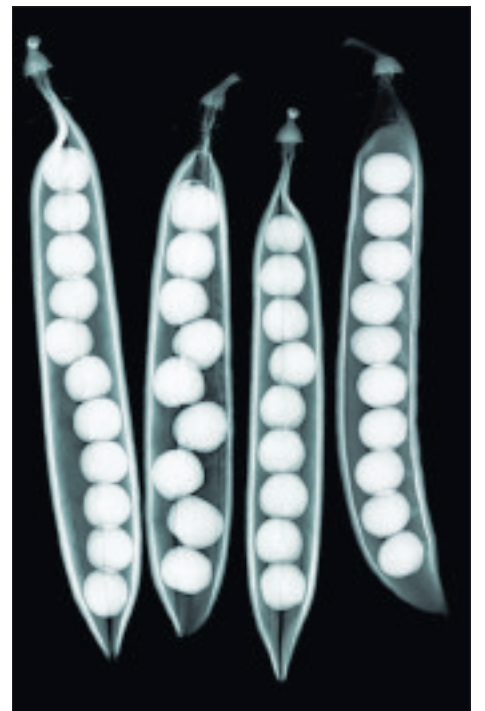
His art can be seen for free in the gallery at Oxo Tower Wharf on the South Bank in London from tomorrow until November 22.



Wheely good: This motorbike's elegant design is clear to see



He can do it all: From sardines to football players and even a magician's rabbit



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