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Ansel Adams who lived from 1902-1984 was a very prominent American photographer and environmentalist. He was known for his black and white landscape images that were mainly center around West America. He is known for large format photography, developing a zone system technique, and nearly mastering the art of lighting for his photographs.

Ansel Adams used large format view cameras like 8x10 and 4x5. These cameras allowed him to capture great details of the environment in his work. The fact that these cameras were equipped with high quality lenses was also a plus. The 8x10 camera is larger making it more inconvenient for portability and that reason is why he also used the 4x5 camera which is smaller and made it easier for him to transport, yet still deliver a high quality product.

Technology has definitely evolved over time so you we cannot replicate the quality that was produced during his time, but there are modern day replacements that can be used such as the Phase One XF IQ4, Fujifilm GFX 100S which are more comparable to the 8x10 cameras. Modern DSLR and mirrorless cameras can be compared often to the 4x5 camera like the Canon EOS R5/R6, and Nikon Z9. The cameras I just listed are all digital there are also film options available that replicate his style like the Intrepid 4x5 camera, and Chamonix View cameras.

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