

Editor's Note

Season's greetings to all,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to those individuals who make contributions to the newsletter, such as news items, announcements, collages, photos and technical support. With their help the *e-News* keeps you informed about what's happening in the Guild and beyond and gets to your inbox in a timely manner. You know who you are, so a big thanks to all.

I wish all our PGNS members a very happy holiday and best wishes for 2023.

Remember to get out your cameras and create memories of those special times with family and friends!

Holiday cheers,

Kathy Gartner-Kepkay, PGNS Newsletter Editor





It's definitely getting to that time of year, when one might prefer to stay inside where it is warm and cozy. In addition to preparing your PJ and Fall/Winter themed entries for the January 3 PGNS CAPA Spring upload deadline, you can perfect your **Artistic** competition entry.

CAPA defines artistic as "an image produced with the intention to portray a creative vision based primarily on an aesthetic and emotional thrust."

The CAPA Artistic Category has OPEN editing, in this category digital frames, pin-line, borders and digital mats can be used provided that they do not contain any text. As always, all portions of the image must have been taken by the maker including any textures used. CAPA will be looking for images which fit the following 4 subthemes.

- 1. **Abstract** the image does not attempt to represent an accurate depiction of tangible objects or people, where colour and form make up the subject of the images. Examples include double exposure blurred images, intentional camera movement, distorted image, lines & shapes, panned image and smoke/fire created image.
- 2. Altered Reality using photographic elements to create a realistic or unrealistic fictional image. Ideally, the intention is to create an image that conveys a message or tells a story.
- 3. **Creative** image is one that was specifically created using props or amplification of elements not normally viewed by the human eye such as: dramatically lit subject (portraits, still life or landscape), long-exposures, water & oil and high-speed water drops. It also includes light painting and low-key image created in camera or post processing.
- 4. **Smartphone/tablet** image(s) captured on a smartphone/tablet and have significant 'artistic' changes to the image using one or more mobile device applications or other post processing application. External lens attached to a smartphone or tablet are permitted.

Complete details can be found at:

https://capacanada.ca/2023-artistic-concours-artistique/

Also, don't forget that on January 1, 2023 CAPA's membership fees are **increasing to \$75.** If you hold an individual membership (or would like to join CAPA as an individual), you can take advantage of the current rate by joining by do so by Dec 31, 2022. Existing CAPA individual members who renew early, will receive an additional full year of membership at the current rate.

https://capacanada.ca/product-category/individuals/





Due to Covid restrictions on in-person meetings, presentations were made to the following members in October. Viki Gaul was presented the CAPA Excellence in Photography Medal for receiving the highest cumulative points in CAPA digital competitions throughout the 2021-2022 season.

Edie Greene was honoured with the CAPA Club Services medal for her many years of dedicated service to the Photographic Guild of Nova Scotia (PGNS). A member of PGNS since 1976, Edie Greene has been a mainstay at the club. She has looked after Hospitality and Banquets for 17 years before retiring from the position, hosted countless Executive Meetings, as well as International Exhibition judging and often billeted speakers for club events.



Nature Digital- Hosted by CAPA

Entry		<u>Score</u>	<u>Awards</u>
No.	Image Title-Photographer Name		
1 B	Lupins - Darryl Robertson	24.5	3 rd Merit Botany
2	Arguing Tree Swallows- Antonio Solis	24.5	
3	Junco With Ants- Laszlo Podor	27.5	2 nd Merit Wildlife
4	I Am Coming For You – Nicolaas Honig	22.5	
5	Gros Morne Daybreaking- Stephan Martin	23.5	
6	Mother Arrives With Food 7085- Viki Gaul	23.5	
	Total Score	146.0	6 th of 42 clubs – Honour Certificate

See you all online at the Christmas Social on Dec 7!

Joyce Chew, PGNS CAPA Club Rep

In this December newsletter you will find a collage of the PSA awards earned from our Interclub Competitions last season. It would be great to actually hand these out at an in-person meeting, but the times we are living in don't give us that opportunity. They were 'presented' the evening of Stephen Patterson's talk, and I am sure the participants from coast to coast were impressed.

We held our first of three Guild/PSA competitions, and the Competition Review followed, with comments from the judges that were appreciated by all who attended. The collages included from that competition show our Club entries to the first round of Interclub this season. I'd like to say that I think we have a wonderful selection in each of the 5 digital categories, and I look forward to hearing the results.

I am taking this opportunity to thank each of the members that took the time to capture, postprocess, upload and wait for results. It can be a big task...so I encourage you to start preparing your entries for the 2nd round of Guild/PSA. The upload deadline will be the January 22nd.

PSA offers many things to its members, individual competitions, online learning, discounts on various products, annual Photo Festival and much more. If I can be of help, please let me know.







Guild Season 2021-22 brought our members the following awards through participation in the 3 rounds of Guild/PSA competitions. Of the images sent away to compete with other PSA clubs, we can offer "Congratulations" to the following members for their beautiful images.



Season's Greetings, Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all ! Viki Gaul, PGNS PSA Club Rep

A special shoutout and thanks to Joyce and Viki for keeping us in the loop with CAPA and PSA news.



Merry Christmas from your CAPA and PSA Reps. It is our pleasure to serve you....

Events News

ViewPoint Gallery Exhibition



Exhibition: December 1-24, 2022 Where: 1475 Bedford Highway Unit 109 Bedford, NS, B4A 3Z5 Opening: Thursday, December 1, 6-8pm

Be sure to drop by ViewPoint Gallery Thursday, Dec. 1 at 6 pm for the opening of the gallery's annual holiday MINI show and sale. Well over 100 beautiful, framed fine art photographs of many subjects, all 8"x10" or smaller and all priced at less than \$100. Also available: a large selection of Art Cards at \$5 each

2023 Calendar by Simon D'Entremont

A message from Simon....

I'm excited to announce that due to its popularity last year, I've created a 2023 calendar with my favorite images of the last few years. This calendar is in 8.5 x 11-inch format, printed locally on top quality paper, ring-bound, with 12 professional quality versions of my best images.

I'm selling these for \$45 Canadian each, shipping in Canada and the US included! I'm currently taking orders on my secure website:

https://www.simondentremont.com/2023calendar/p/2023

which accepts Credit Card or PayPal. You can also see all 12 images there, as well as read about me, the photographer. They make a great gift! If you order 5, the fifth one is free! Just use the promo code "GET5" on check-out. If you are a member of PGNS you will get 10% off using the promo code "NSGUILD".



Calling all photographers for PEI Canada Winter Games



Volunteer Photography Opportunity

Calling all photographers - the PEI 2023 Canada Winter Games has an exciting opportunity for you! As a volunteer-driven event, we are looking to put together a team of volunteer photographers to help capture the beauty of sport and all of its emotion!

The 2023 Canada Games are a wonderful opportunity for professional and amateur photographers to share their work on the national stage while simultaneously giving back to their community. You don't need to have a background in sports or action photography; we are aiming for many different styles and perspectives.

Past Canada Games volunteer photographers have captured many special moments; moments athletes will be able to relive forever. Here are some examples from past Canada Games:

- Niagara 2022 Canada Summer Games
- Red Deer 2019 Canada Winter Games

If you're interested in becoming a photographer for the upcoming PEI 2023 Canada Winter Games, please follow these three steps:

- 1. Register online at 2023canadagames.ca/get-involved and select "Communications - Photography" as your first role choice.
- 2. You will receive an email from <a>screening@2023canadagames.ca to complete an additional photography screening questionnaire.
- 3. After reviewing your questionnaire, I will reach out with next steps.

Throughout the two weeks of the Games (February 18 - March 5, 2023), all volunteers will need to commit a minimum of 32 hours. It is also expected that all volunteers will be required to be double vaccinated. Please consider this when filling out this form.

Feel free to reach out if you have any questions (email or phone).

Kellie Ring Digital Marketing Consultant 613-558-1645 photography@2023canadagames.ca

Join us and the 'Christmas Elves' for a couple of hours of fun and festivities.



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Our special guest, Wally Hayes, is busy putting the finising touches on a program that will take us on an adventure.

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Bring / your favourite beverage and some snacks!

Guild Program for December: A Reminder

- Sunday, December 4, 7:30-9:00pm Silent Essay Presentation
- Wednesday, December 7, 7:30 Christmas Social featuring special guest, Wally Hayes
- Monday, December 12, 7:30-9:00pm Webinar: DSLR & Mirrorless Technology Differences Presenter: Daniel Germinario (Nikon Canada)
- Tuesday, January 3, 2023 by 11:45pm Upload Deadline: CAPA Spring Round

See details/updates on the PGNS website: https://www.photoguild.ns.ca

Looking Back...

A throwback to 1987's Christmas Newsletter.....



Photo of the Month

"Ice X 4" by Darryl Robertson



When submitting your photos, please

- Size your image with the dimensions (1400 x 1050).
- Make sure you copyright your image.
- Send your photos to: <u>newsletter@photoguild.ns.ca</u>

An image will be chosen at random and shown in the next newsletter. You may submit as many as 5 images to increase your chances. Please take this opportunity to showcase your beautiful photos. Your participation is very much appreciated.

"The negative is the equivalent of the composer's score and the print the performance."

- Ansel Adams
