



e-News

June 2023

Editor's Note

Given the wildfire situation in Nova Scotia, I hope everyone is safe and sound. I wouldn't usually say this, but I hope it rains soon.

This will be the last newsletter until September. Thank you to all who submitted photos and event news items. Your participation makes the newsletter better and is much appreciated.

We had a very successful competition season that was celebrated virtually at the 75th PGNS Awards Night on May 24th. If you happened to miss it, the list of trophies and winners are in this e-News.

The 2022/2023 PGNS season is wrapping up with a few exciting field trips in June. Please check the PGNS website and/or watch for emails to get the details.

Have a wonderful and safe summer. Snap some great pics and consider entering them in the competitions and/or submitting them to the newsletter for 'Photo of the Month' next PGNS season.

Until September.....

Cheers,

Kathy Gartner-Kepkay, PGNS Newsletter Editor



CAPA News

Hope all of you are well and safe. These last few days have been challenging for many of us. Keep your fingers crossed for some much needed rain soon.

If you are an individual member of CAPA, CAPA's Annual General Meeting will be held on June 10 by Zoom at 5pm. For the first time in a long time, there are two candidates for the position of 1st Vice-President. If you cannot attend the meeting, you can send your proxy vote to the CAPA secretary: secretary@capacanada.ca

If you do plan to attend the zoom meeting you must register your intention to attend by **emailing the CAPA secretary no later than 5:00pm June 9** (24 hours before the meeting starts) in order to receive the Zoom invitation.

Complete details can be found at:

<https://capacanada.ca/annual-general-meeting-2023/>

This will not impact the South Shore Field Trip on June 10th. Viki will be sending out details shortly. I'll be bringing my e-device and signing on the CAPA meeting, so if you see me disappear briefly, that's where I'll be.

The June CAPA monthly newsletter comes out on June 13. You can keep up to date with all the CAPA monthly newsletters at:

<https://capacanada.ca/capa-newsletters/>

See you on the trails at our upcoming field trips.

Stay Safe and have a great summer capturing all those images!

Joyce S. K. Chew, PGNS CAPA Club Rep



PSA News

Dear Members of PGNS,

This newsletter finds us all in a set of circumstances we could not have imagined would take place in Nova Scotia! Each of us is either directly connected or connected by a few degrees to someone who is involved. A very stressful time indeed.

My sincere congratulations to all of you that received medals and or trophies during the awards night. Let me also extend congratulations to those who participated in competitions on any level. And together in a team effort, we offered worthy opposition to other PSA member clubs that compete in Interclub Competitions. Give yourselves a big 'pat on the back' now!

PSA Interclub Standings 2022-23 Season

Nature 19/26 in Group A (80 clubs total)

PID Mono 12/18 in Group A (99 clubs total)

PID Colour 25/26 Group A (130 clubs total)

Ph Travel 12/26 Group A (49 clubs total)

Ph Journalism 10/19 Group A (36 clubs total)

During the 3 rounds we were awarded several Awards and HMs.



Again....my sincerest **Congratulations to all !!!!**

The details of the June 10th South Shore Field Trip will be sent out this week via email. And of course, we will be watchful of the wildfire situation and air quality situation as well. I for one, cannot be outside in smoke.

Please take care, travel and proceed wisely and carefully. We will be looking forward to your entries in the Guild/PSA competitions again in the fall.

Viki Gaul, PGNS PSA Club Rep

Events News

ViewPoint Gallery Exhibitions

Counting the Walls

a solo exhibit by visiting artist

Frederic hb

June 1 - July 2, 2023



VISITING ARTIST SERIES

Opening June 1, 6-8pm

Artist talk during reception.

1475 Bedford Hwy, Bedford, next to Cora's
Open Thursday to Sunday, Noon-5pm



For each of us early life experiences and traumas produce long term conditioning, constructed ways of dealing with reality and going through life. Counting the Walls intends to shed light on these psychological spaces where we often wander unconsciously and which make us a prison to ourselves.

Through a first-person perspective viewers are invited to reflect upon the relationship between physical and psychological spaces as a first step in identifying personal prisons.

Acquainted with the Night explores the capacity for storytelling of street photography at night. The night aesthetic, with its unique beauty and moodiness, can elevate the most mundane activity or setting into something with greater mystery and potential. As a photographer Jane's images portray stories of the night in two settings – Canada and Mexico. The images reflect her practice of regular walks through her community and her travels throughout Mexico.

July 6-30, 2023

ACQUAINTED WITH THE



JANE ORAM

A Solo Exhibition of Stories After Dark

Opening Reception:

July 6, 6-8 pm

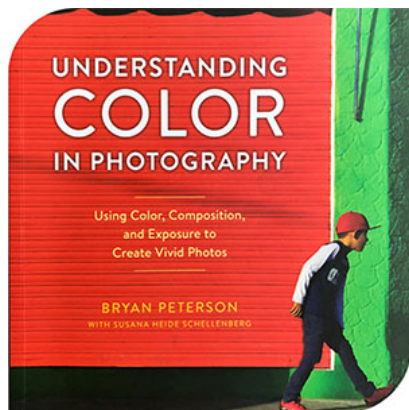
Artist Talk:

July 16, 2-3 pm



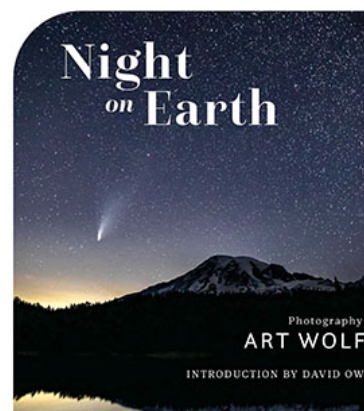
New England Camera Club Council (NECCC) Workshops

[Register](#)



Are you having trouble seeing COLOR? Where does COLOR even come from? How do you compose COLOR? Do you see ALL of the potential for recording out of focus colors, tones and shapes of COLOR?

This presentation is also about jump-starting your vision with the promise of recording one compelling COLOR composition after another. You will be inspired and motivated to go out and shoot the wonderful world of COLOR.



This is an exploration of creativity. In *Night on Earth*, enjoy a magical journey from dusk to dawn along with intimate stories about Art's encounters that exemplify his boundless curiosity about the world.

This presentation spans the globe, bringing the beauty of the planets fast-disappearing landscapes, wildlife, and cultures into stunning focus.

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When

Saturday, July 15 from
1 to 4 pm Eastern

Where

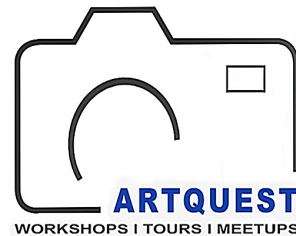
Live online via Zoom

\$20 EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Save 50% over day of event registration.

[Register](#)

ARTQUEST
Photography Workshop to Fogo Island
October 21-29, 2023

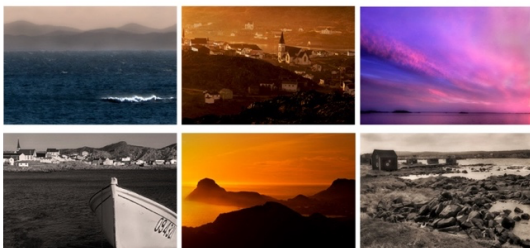


[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)



FOGO ISLAND, NEWFOUNDLAND

An educational photography tour designed to be fun, engaging, and focused on learning while photographing in a fantastic setting.



We're thrilled to invite you to our Fogo Island Newfoundland Photography Workshop! The natural elements have sculpted Fogo Island's breathtaking landscapes. Together, the hard work of fishing generations has given the region a distinct personality, making it an irresistible spot for seascape and landscape photography enthusiasts. Capturing Fogo's stunning vistas feels like floating between earth, sea, and sky, and the allure never fades. Join us from October 21 to 29, 2023, and benefit from our extensive experience of exploring and photographing these unique rugged landscapes & seascapes.

2023 Trophy and Award Winners for this PGNS Season

Mayor of HRM Trophy

Theme – “Gardens of HRM”

Trophy Winner: [France Boutilier](#)

Nova Scotia Bird Society Trophy

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [France Boutilier](#)

Atlantic Geoscience Society Trophy

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Andrzej Kajetanowicz](#)

Last Billion Years Trophy

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Laszlo Podor](#)

Reta Cook Trophy

The best image of the annual Nova Scotia Nature Trust competition

Theme: Wildlife

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Viki Gaul](#)

Reid Sweet Trophy

The best images in the Pictorial category

2nd Place Certificate: [Dean Hirtle](#)

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Michael Winsor](#)

Peter Herschorn Trophy

The Best Seascape / Landscape image selected from the Pictorial category

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Michael Winsor](#)

Tim Randall Trophy

The highest cumulative points in Pictorial competitions

2nd Place Certificate: [Viki Gaul](#)

1st Place Silver Medal: [Laszlo Podor](#)

Camera Shop Trophy

The best images in the Nature category

2nd Place Certificate: [Michael Winsor](#)

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [France Boutilier](#)

Robert Thorpe Memorial Trophy

Best Botanical image, selected from the Nature category

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Dean Hirtle](#)

Mary Primrose Memorial Trophy

Best Wildflower Image, selected from the Nature category
Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Darryl Robertson](#)

Cyril Smith Trophy

The highest cumulative points in Nature competitions
2nd Place Certificate: [Darryl Robertson](#)
1st Place Silver Medal: [France Boutilier](#)

Abbotts Trophy

The best images in the Creative category
2nd Place Certificate: [Stephan Martin](#)
Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Darryl Robertson](#)

Gilbert Van Ryckevorsel Trophy

The highest cumulative points in Creative competitions
2nd Place Certificate: [Antonio Solis](#)
1st Place Silver Medal: [Laszlo Podor](#)

Michael Walsh Trophy

The best images in the Photo Travel category
2nd Place Certificate: [Andrzej Kajetanowicz](#)
Trophy + Bronze Medal: [David Feindel](#)

Barbara & Paul Bingham Trophy

The highest cumulative points in Photo Travel competitions
2nd Place Certificate: [Stephan Martin](#)
1st Place Silver Medal: [David Feindel](#)

Atlantic Photo Trophy

The best images in the Photojournalism category
2nd Place Certificate: [Laszlo Podor](#)
Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Joyce Chew](#)

George Ghiz Sports Action Trophy

The best images in peak sports action taken from the Photojournalism category
2nd Place Certificate: [Laszlo Podor](#)
Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Andrzej Kajetanowicz](#)

Keith Vaughan Trophy

The highest cumulative points in Photojournalism competitions
2nd Place Certificate: [Dean Hirtle](#)
1st Place Silver Medal: [Joyce Chew](#)

Markus Stasiulis Trophy

The highest number of points in the Silent Essay competition

2nd Place Certificate: [George Mitchell](#)

1st Place Silver Medal: [Joyce Chew](#)

Frederick Greene Trophy

The highest number of points in the Sight and Sound Essay competition

2nd Place Certificate: [Darryl Robertson/Keith Vaughan](#)

1st Place Silver Medal: [Laszlo Podor/Stephan Martin](#)

Mervyn Kumar-Misir Trophy

The highest cumulative points in CAPA Theme/Guild Assignment competitions

2nd Place Certificate: [Stephan Martin](#)

1st Place Silver Medal: [Antonio Solis](#)

CAPA Award

The highest cumulative points in CAPA digital and print competitions

2nd Place Certificate: [Viki Gaul](#)

CAPA Medal of Excellence in Photography: [Laszlo Podor](#)

Gordon R. Lay Trophy

The highest number of points for the Guild in external digital CAPA and PSA competitionsPG

2nd Place Certificate: [Viki Gaul](#)

1st Place Silver Medal: [Laszlo Podor](#)

Robert K. Mann Trophy

The highest number of points in the competition whose theme has been chosen by the Guild Executive – Theme: Human Emotion

2nd Place Certificate: [Viki Gaul](#)

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Andrzej Kajetanowicz](#)

Frederick Joyce Trophy

The best theme images in the Portrait category

2nd Place Certificate: [Stephan Martin](#)

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Stephan Martin](#)

Sam Yanofsky Trophy

Best images in the Humour category

2nd Place Certificate: [Laszlo Podor](#)

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Darryl Robertson](#)

Schooner Cove Trophy

The highest aggregate for “Guild Only” competitions

2nd Place Certificate: [Stephan Martin](#)

1st Place Silver Medal: [Laszlo Podor](#)

Gerald Shea Memorial Trophy (Novice Photographer of the Year)

The novice receiving the highest total points in competition

2nd Place Certificate: [Michael Winsor](#)

Trophy + Silver Medal: [Stephan Martin](#)

Cameraland Trophy (Photographer of the Year)

The highest cumulative points for their top 35 scores in Guild competition

5th – Certificate: [Darryl Robertson](#)

4th - Pewter Medal : [Antonio Solis](#)

3rd - Bronze Medal : [Stephan Martin](#)

2nd - Silver Medal: [Viki Gaul](#)

Trophy + Gold Medal: [Laszlo Podor](#)

Guild Program for May: A Reminder

Saturday, June 10, 9am-10am

Field Trip: South Shore

Leader: Viki Gaul

Saturday, June 17, 9am-10am

Field Trip: Macro

Leader: Laszlo Podor

Friday to Sunday, June 23-25, 9am-10am

Field Trip: Cape Breton

Leader: Nick Honig and Tuma Young

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

Photography Trivia



In 1975, Steven Sasson invented the world's first digital camera. He was working at Eastman Kodak at the time. Steven's camera weighed around 8 pounds (3.6kg) and shot only 0.01MP. The average weight of a modern DSLR is around 2 pounds.

Something to ponder....



Here is a photo that won the Sony International Photography competition. The photo was created through Artificial Intelligence. The maker refused to accept the award and claimed he entered the photo to generate debate over AI. If you would like to read more about this, here are some links.....

https://amp.theguardian.com/technology/2023/apr/17/photographer-admits-prize-winning-image-was-ai-generated?fbclid=IwAR3beho8_BXCERk4FXgO8F-8gayVfZeeBxLpU7u1ocblx0v5B0GI9WZq214

<https://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/2023/apr/18/ai-threat-boris-eldagsen-fake-photo-duped-sony-judges-hits-back>

<https://www.digitalcameraworld.com/news/association-of-photographers-comments-on-the-use-of-ai-generative-content>

Field Trip Memories



Cape Split-May 6th



Annapolis Valley Apple Blossoms-May 27th

Photo of the Month

“Emen’s Beach 2022” by Viki Gaul



When submitting your photos, please

- Size your image with competition dimensions (1400 x 1050).
- Make sure you **copyright** your image (put your name on the image).
- Send your photos to: newsletter@photoguild.ns.ca

An image will be chosen at random for 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.

Essentially what photography is, is life lit up.”
— Sam Abell

