



# *e-News*

June 2024

## **Editor's Note**

Hello PGNS members,

Well, it's almost time to put another PGNS season to rest. However, it's not over 'til it's over. There are still two great field trips in store for June 2<sup>nd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you there.

We had another successful Virtual Awards Night. Congratulations to all the winners and participants of this season's competitions. It was exciting to see all the amazing images and we hope there will be more of you entering your images for competition. It is a great learning experience and a way to improve your photographic skills by getting feedback from the experts. The list of winners is included in the newsletter.

We will be back in September for more exciting webinars, competitions, field trips and more. In the meantime, get out there and photograph your world!

Have a wonderful, safe summer.

Until next PGNS season,

Kathy Gartner-Kepkay  
PGNS Newsletter Editor



**CAPA News**

# **CANADIAN PHOTOGRAPHY CONFERENCE**

ELEVATING ART IN PHOTOGRAPHY **JUNE 25-27, 2024**

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**CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC ART**

**CanadianPhotographyConference.ca**

KELOWNA 2024

The excitement is mounting for the Canadian Photography Conference, particularly for myself as final details are put in place. Activities increased in the past few weeks, with UBC assigning the final room bookings for the Speakers and Meetings. Lynda Miller and I had a chance to taste the GALA Dinner offerings and finalized the Gala dinner music. The committee has been contracting transportation, sound systems, gathering attendee bag information and working on the many small details needed for the Conference.

The line-up of speakers continues to grow with the additions of Rafal Weigel and Jim Brompton.

Note some of the important dates:

- **May 23, 2024** – UBC Kelowna accommodation Conference Block will be released – after this date all rooms are at normal rates and on an as availability basis – Book before this date to get conference preferences.
- **June 9, 2024** – GALA Dinner bookings close, don't miss this fun gathering
- **June 9, 2024** – Conference Full Registration closes – day rate only will be available after this date.

We will soon send many other details to those registered for the conference.

If there are other questions feel free to contact the committee at [conference@capacanada.ca](mailto:conference@capacanada.ca)

Joyce S. K. Chew  
CAPA Club Rep



## PSA News

The club year is coming to an end, with only a couple of Field Trips left on the schedule. We are busily working on next year's program and if you have any ideas regarding programming, please reach out and share your thoughts.

The Awards we received by participating in the Photographic Society of America Interclub competitions this past year are reported here in the collage of certificates. Congratulations to all the recipients, but more than that, congratulations to each member that participated in the 2023-24 competition year.







The June 8<sup>th</sup> South Shore Fieldtrip will take place in Lunenburg on the waterfront. The email I sent on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May, has the details for the morning Fieldtrip, and some suggestions for an afternoon filled with whatever 'tickles your fancy' in the area. Please remember that the 1<sup>st</sup> theme for the year is 'Long Exposure (not ICM)', so you might just attempt to capture it that day. See you on the 8<sup>th</sup>. 🙄

If you have read about, heard about, and might be thinking about going to the PSA Photo Festival in Tucson don't hesitate to message me to find out more about it. Tucson here we come!





And so now I will wish you a wonderful summer filled with lot of photo ops....

Let me remind you that IF YOU GET BITTEN BY A TICK, take the tick and go directly to a pharmacy. Within 72 hours, a pharmacist can give you the appropriate antibiotic. If you wait to see if you get a rash, (mine appeared 10 days later), you'll need to go to your doctor or to Emergency. That takes way more time than you want to give up this summer. Be aware and be safe...!!!

Viki Gaul

PSA Club Rep and Canadian Membership Director

## Events News

### ViewPoint Gallery Exhibition

**COASTAL**

**Exhibition: June 6-30, 2024**

**Dean Hirtle**

**Opening reception: Thursday, June 6, 6-8pm**

**Artist Talk: Sunday, June 16, 2-3pm.**

Living in Nova Scotia it is easy to develop an affinity for the ocean. There are infinite opportunities to photograph scenes that capture the sea and environs, both here and abroad.



**TORONTO  
NOW & THEN**



**AVARD WOOLAVER**

*Time keeps on slipping into the future*  
- Steve Miller

**July 4 - 28, 2024**

**TORONTO NOW AND THEN**

**Exhibition: July 4- 28 , 2024**

**Avard Woolaver**

**Opening reception: Thursday, July 4, 6-8pm**

**Artist Talk: Sunday, July 14, 2-3pm.**

Photos of Toronto in the 1980s, along with those taken in recent years. The exhibition highlights the vast changes in Toronto's cityscape over the past forty years.

## Virtual Creative Conference with Hazel Meredith

| 8th Virtual Creative Photography Conference<br>June 22-23, 2024 |                  |  |  |
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| ALL TIMES ARE EASTERN TIME                                      |                  |  |  |
| SATURDAY  |                  |  |  |
| 9:00 - 9:10   | Welcome by Hazel | <i>Welcome and Review of the weekend</i>                   |  |
| 9:10 - 10:10  | Hazel Meredith   | Creative Editing with the Nik Collection                   |  |
| 10:20 - 11:20   | Phil Atiyeh      | Fireworks! Capturing and Creating Works of Art             |  |
| 11:30 - 12:30   | Lewis Katz       | The Art of Black & White Photography                       |  |
| 12:40 - 1:40  | Mary Boucher     | Glassware Photography: Simply Creative                     |  |
| 1:50 - 2:50   | Brendan Williams | Effortless Sky Replacements for Dramatic Images            |  |
| 3:00 - 4:00   | Mark Bowie       | Envision: The Art of Seeing Creatively                     |  |
| 4:10 - 5:00   | Jackie Kramer    | Creating Slideshows in Lightroom                           |  |
| SUNDAY  |                  |  |  |
| 9:00 - 10:00  | Jackie Kramer    | Make Your Birds Look Like Flowers                          |  |
| 10:10 - 11:10   | Dave Meredith    | Using Photoshop Brushes for Borders and Textures           |  |
| 11:20 - 12:20   | Lewis Katz       | Abstract Photography: A Personal Journey                   |  |
| 12:30 - 1:30  | Mark Bowie       | Multiple Exposures for Maximum Landscapes                  |  |
| 1:40 - 2:40   | Brendan Williams | Master Your Workflow: Using Photoshop & Lightroom Together |  |
| 2:50 - 3:50   | Hazel Meredith   | Using Multiple Textures in Your Art                        |  |
| 3:50 - 4:00   | Hazel Meredith   | <b>DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS</b>                                 |  |
| Thanks for Joining Us!  |                  |  |  |

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## Virtual Event by New England Camera Club

The New England Camera Club Council is proud to present its 2024 Virtual Event on July 13, 2024 featuring two exceptional presenters.

Jim Zuckerman – 12:30 – 1:45 PM

Break – 1:45 – 2:00 PM

Seth Resnick – 2:00 – 3:15 PM

Drawing of Door Prizes – 3:15 PM – You must be present to win.

Door Prizes are: A new e-Book by Jim Zuckerman and an autographed coffee-table book by Seth Resnick

### Event price:

Early Bird Special April 16 to 30, 2024 – \$25

May 1 through July 11, 2024 – \$30

July 12 and 13, 2024 – \$40

**Please note:** You must register on-line. You do not need a PayPal account to make a payment. All credit and debit cards may be used as a form of secure payment on the PayPal payment system. Registration fees are NOT refundable, but your registration may be transferred.

**Use the following link to register:**

[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_HMrtE6LJTGub38a0nd\\_LbA#/registration](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_HMrtE6LJTGub38a0nd_LbA#/registration)

## Shutter Speed Webinar



**31 May 2024**

**8:00PM EST | 6:00PM MT | 5:00PM PT**

Once you sign up, you will receive the Zoom link about 48 hours before the seminar.

### **The Power of Shutter Speed to Better Tell Your Story**

#### **Summary**

In this talk, we'll discuss how shutter speed is much more than just another setting on your camera, rather a way for you to tell better stories through your photographs.

#### **About Mark Denney**

Mark Denney is a North Carolina based outdoor & landscape photographer. His affection for travel, photography, and the great outdoors is something that's matured over the past 12 years into what is today, a full-time photographic career. Outside of the technical and creative aspect of photography, he enjoys teaching the storytelling ability of photographs and encouraging others to not focus solely on the end result, but to appreciate the overall photographic experience.

Sign up at: <https://kahwailin.com/seminar-denney/>



## **Guild Program for June: A Reminder**

**Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Field Trip: AMP Motorcycle Races**

**Leader: Pam Mills**

**Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Field Trip: South Shore**

**Leader: Viki Gaul**

For details, check the PGNS website and/or your email.

## **2023 Trophy and Award Winners**

### **Mayor of HRM Trophy**

Theme – “Autumn in HRM”

Trophy Winner: [Laszlo Podor](#)

### **Nova Scotia Bird Society Trophy**

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

### **Atlantic Geoscience Society Trophy**

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

### **Last Billion Years Trophy**

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

### **Reta Cook Trophy**

The best image of the annual Nova Scotia Nature Trust competition

Theme: Freshwater Wetlands

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Katherine Gartner-Kepkay](#)

### **Reid Sweet Trophy**

The best images in the Pictorial category

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

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

### **Peter Herschorn Trophy**

The Best Seascape / Landscape image, selected from the Pictorial category

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

### **Tim Randall Trophy**

The highest cumulative points in Pictorial competitions

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

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

### **Camera Shop Trophy**

The best images in the Nature category

2nd Place Certificate: [Antonio Solis](#)

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

### **Robert Thorpe Memorial Trophy**

Best Botanical image, selected from the Nature category

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Katherine Gartner-Kepkay](#)

### **Mary Primrose Memorial Trophy**

Best Wildflower Image, selected from the Nature category

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

### **Cyril Smith Trophy**

The highest cumulative points in Nature competitions

2nd Place Certificate: [France Boutilier](#)

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

### **Abbotts Trophy**

The best images in the Creative category

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

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

### **Gilbert Van Ryckevorsel Trophy**

The highest cumulative points in Creative competitions

2nd Place Certificate: [Andrzej Kajetanowicz](#)

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

### **Michael Walsh Trophy**

The best images in the Photo Travel category

2nd Place Certificate: [David Feindel](#)

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

**Barbara & Paul Bingham Trophy**

The highest cumulative points in Photo Travel competitions

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

1st Place Silver Medal: [David Feindel](#)

**Atlantic Photo Trophy**

The best images in the Photojournalism category

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

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Antonio Solis](#)

**George Ghiz Sports Action Trophy**

The best images in peak sports action, selected from the Photojournalism category

2nd Place Certificate: [Antonio Solis](#)

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

**Keith Vaughan Trophy**

The highest cumulative points in Photojournalism competitions

2nd Place Certificate: [Joyce Chew](#)

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

**Markus Stasiulis Trophy**

The highest number of points in the Silent Essay competition

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

1st Place Silver Medal: [Katherine Gartner-Kepkay](#)

**Frederick Greene Trophy**

The highest number of points in the Sight and Sound competition

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

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

**Mervyn Kumar-Misir Trophy**

The highest cumulative points in CAPA Theme/Guild Assignment competitions

2nd Place Certificate: [Joyce Chew](#)

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

**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 competitions

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

1st Place Silver Medal: [Viki Gaul](#)



**Robert K. Mann Trophy**

The highest number of points in the competition with the theme:

“How the Light Gets in”-Leonard Cohen

2nd Place Certificate: [Katherine Gartner-Kepkay](#)

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Joyce Chew](#)

**Frederick Joyce Trophy**

The best theme images in the Portrait category

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

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

**Sam Yanofsky Trophy**

Best images in the Humour category

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

Trophy + Bronze Medal: [Katherine Gartner-Kepkay](#)

**Schooner Cove Trophy**

The highest aggregate for “Guild Only” competitions

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

1st Place Silver Medal: [Viki Gaul](#)

**Gerald Shea Memorial Trophy** (Novice Photographer of the Year)

The novice receiving the highest total points in competition

2nd Place Certificate: [Elizabeth Chambers](#)

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: [Antonio Solis](#)

4th - Pewter Medal: [Joyce Chew](#)

3rd - Bronze Medal : [Katherine Gartner-Kepkay](#)

2nd - Silver Medal: [Laszlo Podor](#)

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

**Congratulations!**

## Congratulations!



Congratulations to **Michael Winsor** for his image of Tongait KakKasuangita SilakKijapvinga, in Torngat Mountains National Park in Newfoundland and Labrador that was selected as part of Canada Post's "From Far and Wide" collection. This special place derives its name from the Inuktitut word "tongait," meaning place of spirits. It offers stunning vistas and wildlife viewing, while remaining essential to Inuit hunting and traditions.

"There is no other place that can capture your soul like the remote land of the Torngats." -Michael Winsor

## Photography Trivia

### The most expensive camera



Leica O-series no.105 sold for € 14.4 million  
The serial production of the Leitz Camera, or Leica for short, the world's first 35mm camera, is considered a milestone in modern photography. Before the first cameras were available in the mid-1920s, Ernst Leitz produced around 23 models of the prototype O series in 1923 and 1924.



## Photo of the Month

Bluebell Wood by Keith Vaughan



When submitting your photos, please

- Size your image with competition dimensions (1920 x 1080).
- Make sure you **copyright** your image (put your name on the image).
- Send your photos to: [newsletter@photoguild.ns.ca](mailto: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.

There is nothing worse than a sharp image of a fuzzy concept.

- Ansel Adams -