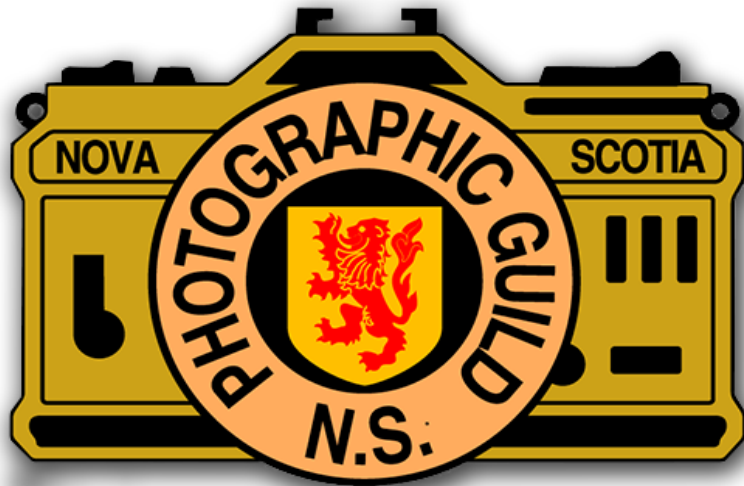




e-News

November 2025

Editor's Note

Dear PGNS members,

Our PGNS season continues. We have our first PSA competition image evaluation on Nov 2nd in addition to two travel webinars on Nov 10th (Costa Rica) and Nov 16th (Japan), respectively. The silent essay is due on Nov 17th.

There are many more events to keep you motivated and informed this month. Please check the 'Events News' for further details.

November is a month of transitions—between the vibrant colours of fall and the frosty mornings of early winter. Be inspired to photograph this time of changes.

Until next month,

Kathy Gartner-Kepkay
PGNS Newsletter Editor



CAPA News

It seems like Fall is fleeting. The wind and rains from Melissa will likely have blown away the last of those leaves clinging to the trees.

It's not too early to start thinking about your entries for the CAPA Spring round. Showcase your inspiration from **Colour** in the first category. CAPA will be looking for images in the following five themes: **Man-Made Environments, Seasonal Transitions, Action & Motion, Cultural Events and Close-up.**

Full details can be found at:

<https://capacanada.ca/2026-inspiration-open-colour-competition/>

The ever-evolving incorporation of AI in our favourite post-processing apps can make it hard to keep track of which ones are “safe” to use for competition. As a reminder, images submitted in CAPA competitions must include all their metadata which includes camera settings, editing software used, editing history, date and time information.

CAPA will be adopting the Content Credential model (C2PA standards) to address the challenges posed by the AI-generated synthetic content in photography. These standards apply to images which have been modified using AI enhancement tools.

You can learn about C2PA on CAPA's website.

<https://capacanada.ca/new-ai-authentication-standards/>

<https://capacanada.ca/updated-ai-requirements-on-capa-competitions/>

<https://capacanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/CAPA-Photo-Competition-New-AI-Authentication-Standards-2.pdf>

CAPA has compiled a list of techniques and tools which are considered “safe” to use for CAPA competitions as well as guidance documents for your favourite processing app. These can be found in the members only section of the PGNS website as well as:

<https://capacanada.ca/ai-pitfalls/>

<https://capacanada.ca/ai-summary-safe-flagged-tools/>

Happy Creating!

Joyce Chew
PGNS CAPA Club Rep



PSA News

Again, this month I will be very brief. The competition we just held has been scored and the work by the Competition team has been done. Thank you to all that play a part in this process. Welcome France to the team as the 'backup' source.

The Competition Review will be held Nov 2nd, at 7:30. We welcome all members to join us for the judge's reviews of the images. We consider the review, and the comments, an important part of the learning process.

The Collages of the images that will be used as the club entries in 5 categories in Round 1 Interclub will be shared in the next newsletter. The sets of images chosen to represent us are worth seeing and appreciating.



We hope you all will join us! Go PGNS Go !!

Viki Gaul
PGNS PSA Club Rep

Events News

PGNS Events



Photographic Guild of Nova Scotia **Fred & Edie Greene Speaker Series**

Vacationing in Costa Rica With France Boutilier

Monday, November 10, 2025, 7:30 PM



[Guild Members Only – Log into Members' Only Page to Join](#)



Photographic Guild of Nova Scotia **Fred & Edie Greene Speaker Series**

Travelling in Japan with Peter Steeper

Sunday, November 16 • 7:30 - 9pm AST



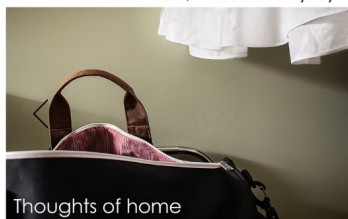
Eventbrite Link: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/travelling-in-japan-with-peter-steeper-tickets-1482056814829>

ViewPoint Gallery Exhibit

ViewPoint Gallery Exhibition

FRESH EYES GALLERY

OPENING RECEPTION / OCTOBER 2, 6-8PM
ViewPoint Gallery welcomes Mary Kyd



Thoughts of home

FRESH EYES ViewPoint's Guest Artist
OCTOBER 2 - NOVEMBER 2 / 2025
Gallery Hours: Thursday-Sunday 12-5
1475 Bedford Highway, Bedford (next to Cora's)



FEATURED MEMBER GALLERY



ROXANNE SMITH

NOVEMBER
FEATURED MEMBER



ViewPoint Gallery Exhibition



THE HOLY SPIRIT
SOLO SHOW BY EVAN PURNEY

November 6 - 30

Opening Reception: Thursday, Nov 6
6 pm to 8 pm
with live music from Ted Parrott and
Dream State

The abstract concept of the Holy Spirit has always spoken to me. A joke between friends, a moment of solitary peace, a nod to a stranger. This exhibit presents humanity on a micro scale, stepping away from the actions of societies, and emphasizing the moments where we are simply beings on this earth.

ViewPoint Gallery Exhibition

IN OUR MAIN GALLERY

October 2 - November 2, 2025

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A Members' Group Exhibition

Doug van Hemessen • Tim Krochak
Sandy Macintosh • Colin Chase
Craig Benjamin • Laszlo Podor
Heather Rose • Allan Neilsen
Blair Bartlett • Kim Ottenbrite
Dean Hirtle • Avard Woolaver
Rae Tang • Kathleen Flanagan
Ron Pitts

Opening Reception and Artists' Talk
Thursday October 2 6-8pm

VIEWPOINT
GALLERY
PROFESSIONAL ART CO-OPERATIVE

Inspiring, Educating, & Promoting the Art of Fine Photography

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October 2 - November 2, 2025
A ViewPoint Member's Group Exhibition

As Nova Scotia moves from Summer to Fall, ViewPoint Gallery members present an exploration of the tradition of black and white photography. Featuring works by:

Blair Bartlett • Craig Benjamin • Colin Chase •
Kathleen Flanagan • Dean Hirtle • Tim Krochak •
Sandy Macintosh • Allan Neilsen • Kim Ottenbrite •
Laszlo Podor • Ron Pitts • Rae Tang • Doug van
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Opening Reception and Artists' Talk:
Thursday, October 2, 6-8pm

CAPA Speaker Series

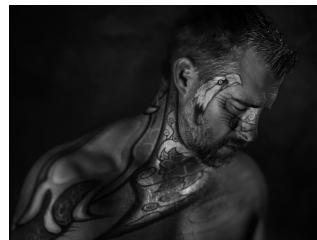


CAPA Speaker Series

Speaker: Wayne Simpson

When: Nov. 19, 2025, 8:00 pm AST

Topic: A personal journey of connection to a once-forbidden culture



If you are an individual member of CAPA, you are invited to attend the free online presentation.

To access the link, go to the CAPA website <https://capacanada.ca>, log in and go to Member>Zoom Invitation

Maryland Photographic Alliance



Loli Kantor
Guest Presenter



Photography, Identity, and Memory

Tuesday, November 25, 2025, 7:00 PM, 8:00 PM AST



Loli Kantor is a photo-artist and documentarian whose work centers on personal, community, and cultural memory. Her works are long-term projects with a depth of content and context. Loli will be talking about her professional life as a photographer, including several of her long-term documentary projects. She will also address the subject of fine art photography book publishing.

Free Registration:

[Photography, Identity, and Memory with Loli Kantor](#)

More Events....



International Fototechnik Webinar

Nov 16, 2025 10:00 AM AST

"Life of Elephants"

The Guest Speaker:

Satish H, PPSA, ARPS, MFIAP, MICS, Freelance Photographer, Mentor, Workshop Organizer,

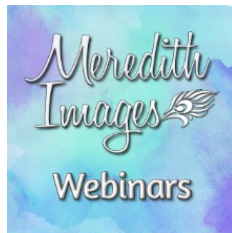
Highlights of the Webinar:

Highlighting the gigantic qualities of these gentle giants. Unknown facts about these pachyderms. Difference between African and Asiatic Elephants. Many docile behavioral facts of fearful animal. Photographing techniques of these beautiful Giants.

Register in advance for the Webinar: **(FREE REGISTRATION)**

[Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)





**“Get Creative with Your
Smartphone!”
By Hazel Meridith**

November 11, 2025, 05:00 PM AST

We'll start with Snapseed for both the basic editing and some creative features, then work with some of my favorite creative phone apps. Most are available for both iPhones and Androids.

Link to register at: <https://meredithimages.com>

Toronto

international contest of photography

132nd TORONTO INTERNATIONAL SALON of PHOTOGRAPHY

132nd International Salon Competition:

- Nature
- Pictorial Color
- Pictorial Mono
- Photojournalism
- Still Life
- Pets and Domestic Animals

Closing date is November 8, 2025!

For further information, please visit our salon page

<http://Salon.TorontoCameraClub.com>

Please, read Entry Rules! If you have any question or concern, do not hesitate to contact: Lily.Markovic@TorontoCameraClub.com

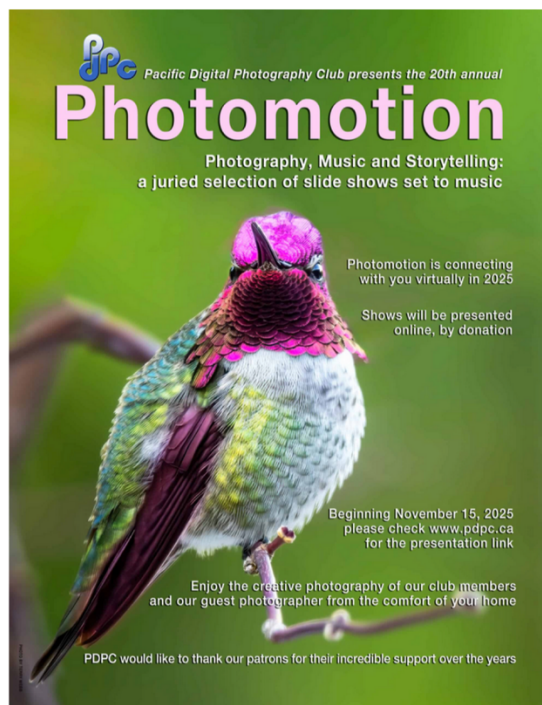
For more information: <https://salon.torontocameraclub.com>



NOVEMBER 3 - 7, 2025

<https://www.pssummit.com>

Early bird pricing \$99USD for VIP pass ends 1pm Nov. 3, 2025



Starting Nov. 15, 2025

<https://www.pdpc.ca/photomotion>

Guild Program for November: A Reminder

Sunday, Nov 2nd, 7:30 -9:00pm

PSA-1 COMPETITION EVALUATION

Monday, Nov 10th, 7:30-9:00pm

WEBINAR: Vacationing in Costa Rica

Presenter: France Boutilier

Sunday, Nov 16th, 7:30-9:00pm

WEBINAR: Travelling in Japan

Presenter: Peter Steeper

Monday, Nov 17th, by 11:45pm

Silent Essay Upload Deadline

Details to follow in an email closer to the event date and/or on the PGNS website



Photo of the Month

Evening Calm by Rosemary Sampson



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

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.

"SKILL IN PHOTOGRAPHY IS ACQUIRED BY PRACTICE AND NOT BY PURCHASE"
-PERCY W HARRIS