

# *e-News*

May 2026

## **Editor's Note**

Hello PGNS members

Well, we're close to the end of the 2025/26 PGNS season.

We hope you will join us for dinner at Il Mercato in Bedford and the Awards Presentation on Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> (details are in 'Events News'). This will be the PGNS version of Oscar Night where we will be rolling out the red carpet in celebration of excellence in photography and the end of another successful season.

Be sure not to miss the webinar with Kas Stone on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30pm.

Our Annual General Meeting takes place on May 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.

Lots more going on in 'Events News'. Please check it out.

Until next month,

Kathy Gartner-Kepkay  
PGNS Newsletter Editor



## CAPA News

It's still a bit chilly out there, but the grass is greening up and the birds are up singing early in the morning when you are out there getting ready to photograph the early morning light.

Congratulations go out to Stephan Martin, Laszlo Podor and Lynn Fergusson! PGNS was well represented in the Atlantic Zone entries from a club. Stephan's image "Peggy in the Fury" earned an Honour award in the Novice category. In the Advanced/Intermediate category, Laszlo's "Focused on the Rainy Turn 2900" and Lynn's "Sky Hawks – Debert" received the Silver and Gold medals respectively.

If you are an individual member of CAPA and you enjoy creating audiovisual presentations, go to the members only section of the CAPA website to receive the 20% discount code for WNSoft's slideshow software **PTE AV Studio 11**. Also, the deadline to submit for FIAP's (Federation Internationale de L'Art Photographique ) distinctions is May 15, 2026. For more information you can contact David Laronde: davidrlaronde@gmail.com

Thank you to those that have filled out CAPA's feedback survey. It is valuable feedback for CAPA on how it can better serve you as an individual member.

Happy Shooting and hope to see you in Calgary!

Joyce S. K. Chew  
PGNS CAPA Rep



Colour- Hosted by CAPA

Atlantic Zone- Hosted by CAPA

Entry No.	Image Title-Photographer Name	Score	Awards
1	Big Foot American Coot- Antonio Solis	20.0	
2	Focused on the Rainy Turn 2900- Laszlo Podor	25.5	Silver Medal- Advanced
3	Scenic Seaside Stroll – David Feindel	22.5	
4	Looming Cumulonimbus Over Peggys- Joyce S.K. Chew	23.0	
5	Sky Hawks - Debert - Lynn Fergusson	26.5	Gold Medal- Advanced
6	Peggy in the Fury – Stephan Martin	24.0	Honour-Advanced
7	Caves and Rocks to Explore - Esther Theriault	21.5	
8	Smokey Ridge Marsh - Andrzej Kajetanowicz	21.0	
9	Sunset over Peggys Cove - Katherine Gartner-Kepkay	22.0	
10	Burntcoat Hikers - Dean Hirtle	21.5	
11	Ghost of Railways Past - Rosemary Sampson	20.5	
12	Chickadee in Flight – France Boutillier	22.0	



## PSA News

Hello members and friends of PGNS

The May report from your PSA Rep is short and sweet.

Round 3 of the Photographic Society of America Interclub competitions is now being judged. I hope to have the yearend results ahead of the June Newsletter.

I have news that 180 individuals participating from 25 countries are enjoying the PSA Photo Gathering happening in Vietnam. The PSA International Exhibition will soon close for entries, so I encourage anyone thinking about entering to get busy. The 2026 Photo Festival is taking place in Las Vegas in September. Lots of special tours are available for anyone thinking about making this trip to the US.

I hope to see lots of you at the Awards Night taking place on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May. The email with details went out Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup>.

At this time, I would like to encourage anyone with skills they would like to put to good use, to volunteer for PGNS, in whatever area you can. With our website, with the competition team, leading a field trip, suggestions for webinars or presenters. Every ounce of volunteerism is valuable.

Watch your PGNS emails for the announcement of field trips. Take advantage of every opportunity to make photographs and spend time with like-minded people.

Viki Gaul  
PGNS PSA Rep

# Events News

## PGNS Events

Members and Guests  
Join us at ViewPoint Gallery  
**“PGNS Annual Awards Night”**  
May 20th, 2026  
7:30pm



**SAVE THE DATE**

Same date - We will meet at Il Mercato Restaurant for dinner at 5:30 Then go to ViewPoint for the event.  
Meeting will be on-line as well.  
See details attached.




*You are invited  
to attend the PGNS Awards Banquet  
to celebrate the end of the 2025/2026 season  
on Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026*

*We will first gather for a celebratory dinner at  
Il Mercato  
Sunnyside Mall  
1595 Bedford Highway  
at 5:30pm*

*Then, we will have the awards presentation at  
ViewPoint Gallery  
1475 Bedford Highway  
at 7:30pm*

*If you would like to join us for the dinner  
please send your RSVP by May 15<sup>th</sup> to  
France Boutilier  
[francejbaway@gmail.com](mailto:francejbaway@gmail.com)*





### Photographic Guild of Nova Scotia

#### Fred & Edie Greene Speaker Series

## Setting Boundaries with Kas Stone

Sunday, May 3 from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm ADT



Eventbrite Link: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/setting-boundaries-with-kas-stone-tickets-1531298528119>

## ViewPoint Gallery Exhibit

### UNTITLED

#### ViewPoint Member Group Show

May 7 - 31, 2026

A diverse range of photographs, with all titles left up to the viewers' imaginations.

may 7-31

## untitled

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OPENING RECEPTION: May 7, 6-8pm

ARTIST TALK: May 17, 2-3pm

Kas Stone: "Pictures vs Words"

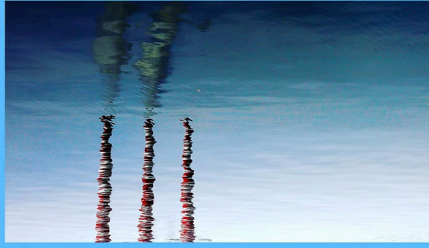
Hours: Thur-Sun Noon-5pm

1475 Bedford Highway, Bedford, NS



PHOTOGRAPHIC ART COOPERATIVE

## THE THREE SISTERS



FEATURED MEMBER **TIM KROCHAK**

May 7-31 / Opening Reception May 7, 6-8pm

Regular Hours: Thurs-Sun, 12-5pm

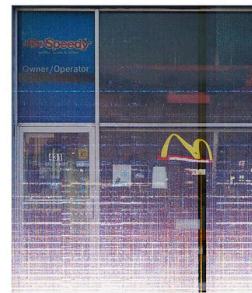
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PHOTOGRAPHIC ART COOPERATIVE

ViewPoint  
FRESH IDEAS

## TELEPHONO



**EVAN PURNEY**  
MAY 7-31

Hours: Thurs-Sun, 12-5pm / 1475 Bedford Hwy, Bedford, NS

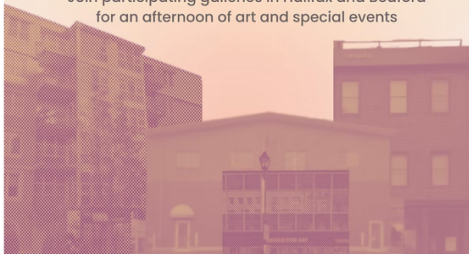


PHOTOGRAPHIC ART COOPERATIVE

## GALLERY HOP

Saturday, May 9 12-5pm

Join participating galleries in Halifax and Bedford for an afternoon of art and special events



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LINK TO THE MAP IN BIO

### Downtown Halifax

Argyle Fine Art  
1559 Barrington St. Unit 102  
Art 1274 Hollis Gallery  
1274 Hollis St.  
Katzman Art Projects  
5431 Doyle St.  
Zwicker's Gallery  
1663 Brunswick St. Suite 200  
The Prow Gallery  
1479 Lower Water St. Unit 185  
Verve Fine Craft Gallery  
1573 Barrington St.  
Teichert Gallery  
1723 Hollis St (Ground level)

### North End

The Blue Building  
2482 Maynard St.  
Hermes Gallery  
5682 North St.  
14 Bells Fine Art Gallery  
5523 Young St.

### Bedford

Viewpoint Gallery  
1475 Bedford Hwy.

### Quinpool

Secord Gallery  
6301 Quinpool Rd.

## CAPA Speaker Series



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**Speaker:** Emilie Talpin

**When:** Wednesday, May 20, 2026, 8:00 pm ADT

**Topic:** Fun with macro and water drops – the art of capturing insects and refraction



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

## More Events...

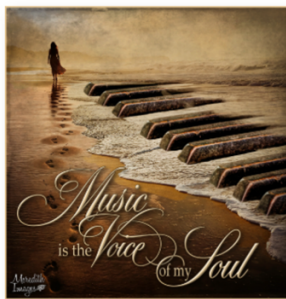


**NEXT FREE WEBINAR!**



**COMPOSITING – WITH & WITHOUT AI**

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 05:00 PM AT



Another highly requested topic! I will demonstrate how to choose images or create a piece that you do not have and composite them into one image. I'll also demonstrate color toning to make your image more cohesive.

Free Registration: <https://meredithimages.com/webinars/>

12<sup>th</sup> Virtual  
Creative  
Photography  
Conference  
presented by  
Meredith Images

June 27-28, 2026

Extra Early Bird Price \$39USD until April 8

<https://meredithimages.com/creative-photography-conference/>



### International Fototechnik Webinar

Sunday, May 17, 2026, 10:30 AM ADT

### "India's Timeless Heritage: Temples and Monuments"

**The Guest Speakers:**

**Satish H**, PPSA, ARPS, MFIAP, MICS, Art Photographer, Mentor, Workshop Organizer, Former President, Youth Photographic Society.

**Highlights of the Webinar:**

- India's rich Heritage: Consists of hundreds of Monuments Consists of thousands of temples
- Difference of Record images & Artistic Images
- Artistic way of capturing Monuments Art of Photographing Temples

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

[Forthcoming Webinar | SchoolOfFototechnik](#)

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**India's Timeless Heritage: Temples and Monuments**  
 Guest Speaker **17 May 2026**  
 07:00 pm IST **Participation Free**

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- A-able way of capturing Monuments
- Art of Photographing Temples

**Satish H**  
 PPSA, ARPS, MFIAP, MICS  
 Art Photographer, Mentor, Workshop Organizer, Former President, Youth Photographic Society

**Dr. L. Rangaswami**  
 PPSA, ARPS, MFIAP, MICS  
 Art Photographer, Mentor, Workshop Organizer, Former President, Youth Photographic Society



**Jo-Anne McArthur**  
Guest Presenter



**Inspiring Change for Animals  
Through Photojournalism**

**Thursday, May 28, 8:00 PM AT**



Free Registration:

[JoAnne McArthur Artist Spotlight — Maryland Photography Alliance](#)

**Attend In-person or Online**



**Canadian Photography  
Conference  
Calgary, Alberta, Canada  
July 13-16, 2026**



[www.canadianphotographyconference.ca](http://www.canadianphotographyconference.ca)

## Guild Program for May: A Reminder

**Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:30-9:30pm**

**Webinar: Setting Boundaries**

**Presenter: Kas Stone**

**Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-9:30pm**

**PGNS AGM**

**Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm**

**PGNS Awards Night**

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

## E-News Marketplace

No items for sale this month.

If you have any camera equipment you would like to sell, you can send a list of items with your price point and contact information to [newsletter@photoguild.ns.ca](mailto:newsletter@photoguild.ns.ca)



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## Congratulations!

A big congrats to Lynn Fergusson for her outstanding photography this year in the CAPA competitions. Well-deserved, Lynn.



Gold Medal for the CAPA Atlantic Individual Competition Intermediate/Advanced Category with **'Eagle in the Fog'**



The Gold medal for the CAPA Atlantic Club competition with **'Sky Hawks-Debert'**



A CAPA Honors Certificate for **'CF-18 Demo Plane'**

## Photo of the Month

Milky Way at Prospect by Darryl Robertson



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.

“Photographs open doors into the past, but they also allow a look into the future.”  
— Sally Mann