



# The Viewfinder

Newsletter of the Peterborough Photographic Society

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## President's Message By Margaret Hamilton

### Ashburnham Ale House - PPS Exhibit

Well, last October I approached the Ashburnham Ale House about having the PPS do an exhibit at their restaurant. For a few years now, Ashburnham has been willing to promote local art and artists on a month-by-month basis. Since PPS meets in East City, and Ashburnham Ale House is located in East City, it seemed like a logical partnership for one of their exhibit time-frames. They have a waiting list, so the earliest we could get was the month of March, 2018.

Sixteen members of the Peterborough Photographic Society signed up to participate in this exhibit. The talent in this club is outstanding and we definitely have an amazing cross-section of photography to display. Thank you to the members who so willingly stepped up to show the public what we are all about. The feedback from the staff at Ashburnham has been more than positive, and at the time of this writing, two members have each sold one piece of their work. Congratulations!

A team of members who participated in the exhibit, and some members who just wanted to help, came out on March 5<sup>th</sup>, and we spent two hours hanging all the various works. The exhibit will come down on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, so I hope those who have not yet had the opportunity to go see the exhibit will get the chance to do so. It's great!

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Thank you to everyone for your support, and I will continue to try and 'get the word out' about our wonderful club, in yet some other ways, before my term is up. Each and every one of you helps make PPS something to be proud of, on so many levels!



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# President's Message cont'd



Photos contributed by Dawn Macklin, Lawrence Wicks, and Anita Erschen-Pappas.



## Program Notes By Anita Erschen-Pappas

### Enduring the Rain, Embracing the Elements

Robert Ferguson's exquisite slideshow presentation, in March, show-cased the variety of wildlife and landscapes of the seasons. Most of the images were captured in and around Hastings County, while others included the puffin in Newfoundland. Robert illustrated his talent for capturing various wildlife behaviours in the rhythm of the seasons.

Our guest speaker for April is Leslie Abram. You can see her work @ [leslieabram.com/](http://leslieabram.com/). Leslie resides in the Quinte area, near Trenton. She will focus on the "Small Wonders" that are around us. Samples of her work are shown below.





# Outings By Dave Duffus

## Spring is Coming!

### BREAKFAST OUTING:

**April 7th: Rotary Park** (behind Nichol's Oval Café). We will meet in the parking area near the bandshell at 8:30 a.m. We will probably have breakfast at Nichol's Oval Café.

### REGULAR OUTING:

**April 21st: McLaughlin Wildlife Reserve** (near Darlington Park, in Oshawa). We will meet at the Harper Road parking lot, and will car-pool from there, departing at 8:30 a.m.

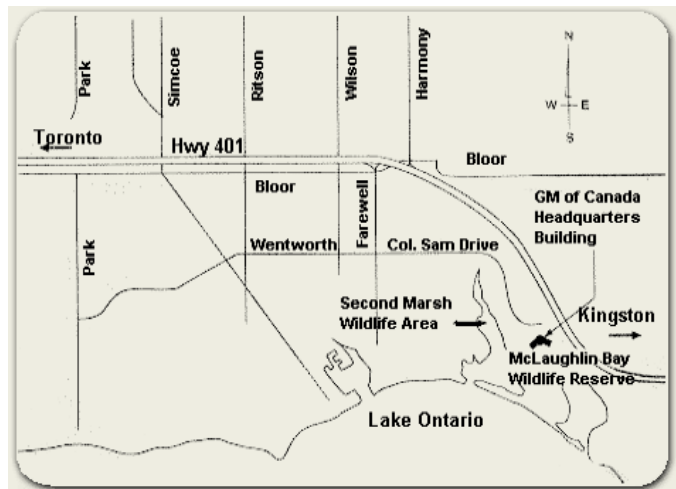
### PLEASE NOTE

If there is any member who cannot attend an Outing because they need a ride, please let me know and arrangements can be made. This year you should get to at least one Outing. It is a great opportunity to get photos and learn something new from other photographers. And they are a lot of fun!

**ALSO:** If you plan to go on one of the Outings, please sign the appropriate sheet at the meeting, or send Dave an e-mail. It's much easier to make reservations when we know how many will be attending. Thank you!



Map of the Dogwood Trail at McLaughlin Wildlife Reserve



Directions to McLaughlin Wildlife Reserve



# Outing Photos By Paul Macklin

## Jackson Park Outing



# Notices and Information

## The Clothesline

Please bring your un-framed prints to Paul Macklin so he can pin them on the Clothesline for the duration of the meeting.

## The Journal

Have a question about photography, your camera, settings, or another photography-related issue? There is a journal available at each meeting for you to jot down your question, and someone in the PPS will get back to you with assistance shortly.

## Do You Need Help With Computer Work?

Any member who needs assistance with the computer aspects of photography may feel free to approach our Web Master, George Giarratana, at any meeting, for advice and assistance. Issues with post-processing, cropping, preparing photos for export, etc., are the things that George can help you with.

### April Outings

### Breakfast Outing

April 7th

Rotary Park

### Regular Outing

April 21st

McLaughlin Wildlife Reserve

### PLEASE NOTE!!

**The Due Date for submitting photos for the monthly slide shows has changed.**

**You must send in your photos, via the appropriate Dropbox links, by Midnight on the Tuesday one week before the PPS Meeting.**

**Preparing the slide shows is time-consuming, and this will allow the Projectionist more time to complete the slide shows in his always professional manner.**

**THANK YOU!**



## Location Challenge By Pat Carpenter

### Train Bridge Over the Otonabee

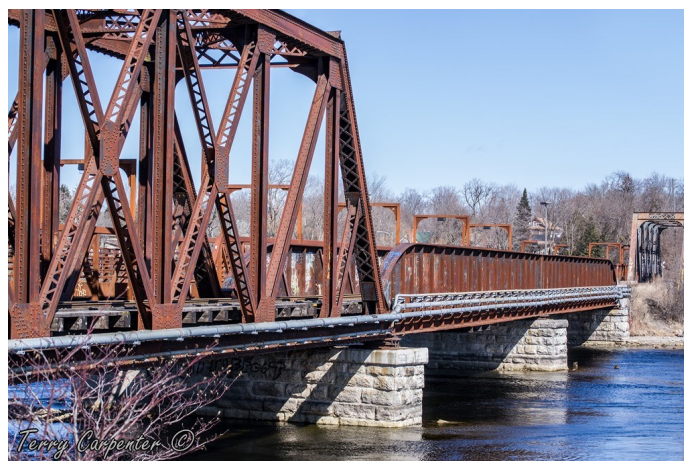
Hi Everyone,

This is a reminder that the Murray Street Baptist Church Location Challenge images for April are due no later than midnight on March 27, 2018.

The next challenge, to be shown in June, is the train bridge over the Otonabee River, behind the Holiday Inn. On the other side of the river, it can be seen from Maria Street or Edgewater Boulevard. As usual, it is your interpretation, anything from straight on, underneath or sideways, etc. **Please do not trespass on the railway.**

As usual, only one image per person, to be submitted no later than May 28th, 2018, to the Miscellaneous DropBox. At the meeting, please take a minute to tell us about your shot. Thanks again, for everyone who participates. You all make it so much fun.

Cheers, Pat





## The Story Behind the Photo by Judith Bain

### Lavender & Sunflowers

In July 2014, I travelled to France to attend a photography workshop. Before heading up to Paris, we spent a few days in Provence, taking in the lavender, which was just ready to be harvested. I remember standing in the middle of the field, lavender all around me. There was no sound except the humming of the Honey Bees, and the scent of the lavender was almost overwhelming. It was surreal!







## From the Editor's desk By Judith Bain

# Your Newsletter Needs You!

This is a reminder to all PPS members that *The Viewfinder* is YOUR newsletter.

We can only continue to publish our monthly editions if we have contributions from the membership. Please contribute to the PPS by sending articles, photos, and photography-related information for inclusion in The Viewfinder. Thank you!

### Image Themes

Apr.: From Low Angle

May: Rain

Jun.: Happiness

### Equipment Sell / Swap

A table will be available at every meeting so members may display any photography-related gear that you wish to sell or trade.

### April Meeting

Tuesday, April 3rd

7:00 PM

@ the Lions Centre,  
347 Burnham Street,  
Peterborough, ON.

### Viewfinder Seeks Submissions From Members

*The Viewfinder* invites PPS members to submit their work for any of the following features:

- The Story Behind My Photograph:** Send in one or more photos and the story behind them.
- Photo Essay:** Send in a series of 5-7 photographs on a topic or location.
- Insights:** If you would like to contribute an essay with photos on anything to do with photography, you are welcome to send it to us.
- The Parting Shot:** Send in an amusing or interesting photo that you have taken.

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Thank you.



## Word Images (Poetry)

### Owl Be Seeing You At The Owl Woods

Murray Arthur Palmer, © 2018

It's a long walk to the Owl Woods when cold winds blow,  
 But to see owls in winter, is there a better place to go?  
 Some are touched by a vision of Nature seldom viewed;  
 Good photographs allow a few to create the thrill renewed.

Perched close to the trunk high in a tall jack pine,  
 A Long-eared Owl roosts in what warm sunshine  
 There is on this windy March fourth day  
 Until a young, upstart birder gives him away.

With ear tufts erect to appear like a broken-off limb,  
 He stretches to make himself look trim.  
 Seen against the light he is almost a silhouette.  
 He needs precious shut-eye to hunt after sunset.

The owl had taken refuge in the dense jack pine wood,  
 Hidden from mobsters like hawks and ravens who could  
 Deplete his energy by harassing him in frequent chases.  
 If only he knew his watchers below wore happy faces!



# Member News

## Ashburnham Ale House Photo Exhibit

Remember that the PPS Members' Photo Exhibit is on for the month of March. Don't wait 'til April to see this as it will be taken down on April 2nd. The Ale House is located at 128 Hunter Street, East, and its hours are from 11:00 a.m. 'til 11:00 p.m.

It is a great display of the work done by some of the talented members of the Peterborough Photographic Society.

Don't Miss It!



# Member News Cont'd



**SPARK**  
PHOTO FESTIVAL

*Opening Reception of Margaret Hamilton*

Elmhirst's Resort, 1045 Settler's Line  
Keene, Ontario  
Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
5:30 pm to 7:30pm  
Refreshments  
Music provided by...Danny Bronson  
[marghamilton@nexicom.net](mailto:marghamilton@nexicom.net)  
(705) 295-1518



**CONGRATULATIONS** to three of our members whose photos placed in the top 30 images for the SPARK Juried Exhibit on 'Reflections'. To Kate Grierson, Paul Macklin, and Tim Young, Well Done! The top four awards will be announced at Juried Exhibit Reception, which will take place on Thursday, April 5th, from 7 - 9 p.m., at Lett Architects on Simcoe St.



*Linda Cardona*

*Art and Artistry*

**Linda Cardona: Spark Photo Exhibit**

**Empress Gardens: 131 Charlotte St  
Peterborough, On.**

**Exhibit: April 1-30 11am - 7pm daily**

**Reception: Sunday, April 22 4:00 - 6:30pm  
Featuring Rob Phillips on Piano**

# Events



## TORONTO ARTISTIC ORCHID ASSOCIATION 多倫多蘭藝會

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March 1, 2018

Peterborough Photographic Society  
Attn: Ms. Judith Bain

Dear Madam,

**Toronto Artistic Orchid Association ("TAOA")  
17<sup>th</sup> Annual Orchid Show - April 14 and 15, 2018**

TAOA, a non-profit organization, was formed in 2002 by a group of enthusiastic amateur orchid growers who share a passion and love of orchids. The mandate of TAOA is to promote and expand members' interest and knowledge in orchid cultivation through lectures, seminars and workshops at regular meetings.

Annual orchid shows have been organized in the past 16 years in order to share with the general public the exquisite beauty of orchids and the joy of growing. The show includes exhibition of orchid displays by major orchid societies in Ontario, amateur orchid cultivators and orchid vendors, judging by the accredited judges of the American Orchid Society, floral displays and live display arrangement demonstration by Ikebana International, orchid photography sessions, orchid culture seminars, sales by vendors and lucky draw.

This year, the show will be held on April 14 and 15 at the Multipurpose Hall of Centre for Immigrant and Community Services, 2330 Midland Avenue, Toronto, Ontario. We cordially invite you and friends & members of your club to attend our show and to take pictures in our photography sessions. Tripods could only be used during the two photography sessions especially designated for photographers. They are (1) Saturday, April 14 from 5 - 7 pm and (2) Sunday, April 15 from 8 - 10 am.

To encourage your members to attend our show, I would like to offer them a group rate discount admission fee. The regular admission fee to our show is \$8.00 per person. If there are more than 5 members from your club, a discount of 50% will be offered (i.e. \$4.00) to each participant. Holders of these discount coupons may attend the show separately. Discount coupons can be purchased through email to me at [rhodamwchan@gmail.com](mailto:rhodamwchan@gmail.com) before April 1, 2018.

Enclosed is the electronic \$2 off discount coupon for dissemination to your members. Electronic poster is also attached for your information and posting at your club's regular meeting. Detailed information of our show can be found on our website at [www.taoa.info](http://www.taoa.info).

We look forward to your attendance, promotion and support of our show. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the email address above and I will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Rhoda Chan  
Chair, TAOA Show Committee

cc: John Li, TAOA Chair  
Daniel Wong and Jimmy Tam, TAOA Vice Chairs

Encls. (Electronic Coupon and Poster)

# Events Cont'd



**Orchid Show 2018** 蘭花展

photo taken by Sunshine Wu

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入場費 Admission Fee \$8  
 八歲以下小童免費 (Children under 8 year old free)

開放時間 / Date  
 Saturday, April 14 11:00am to 5:00pm  
 Sunday, April 15 10:00am to 5:00pm

攝影時間 / Photographers  
 Saturday, April 14 5:00pm to 7:00pm  
 Sunday, April 15 8:00am to 10:00am

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## Viewfinder Submissions

We encourage club members to submit their photos and personal news, as well as articles, poetry, writing, and humour about photography and our club.

Text submissions should be in one of the following file formats: .doc, .rtf, .odt, or .pub. Image files in formats such as .jpeg, .tiff, .gif, or .png graphic file.

The editor reserves the right to edit all submissions for size, content, and style without consultation.

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# The Parting Shot

By Judith Bain

