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EDITOR'S MESSAGE

A new year with continued vigour in our Program is supported by both the regular and challenge outings highlighted in this issue. The opportunities to see an old jail in Lindsay, or examine the splash pad at Roger's Cove in the winter, could offer interesting images. Terry Carpenter has created a PPS Photo Contest that will allow members opportunities to share their images in a fun way.

The Spark Photo Festival is also another way to showcase individual work, regardless of when the images have been taken.

If you are inclined to go out of town for some adventure, the AGO Arnold Newman exhibit will run until January 18. Rob Stimpson, a photographer and previous speaker at one of our meetings, will host a photography workshop in Lindsay.

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IN FOCUS WITH THE PRESIDENT

*“Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow.
The important thing is not to stop questioning.”*

-Albert Einstein

I want to wish everyone a Happy and Joyous New Year. At this time of year, we all naturally like to reflect. Einstein was not just a brilliant physicist, he was a person of deep thought as well. The past is called the past for a reason; it cannot be undone. However, as good old Albert states, we “learn from yesterday”.

This is a great thought that can be applied to photography as well as life. No one is born a great photographer. They all learned from their past successes and failures. Never stop questioning and learning: it will always improve your photography skills. We learn *by doing*.

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PROGRAM NOTES

*NOTE: The Next
Regular Meeting is
January 9th
(NOT the first
Tuesday of the month)*



The January meeting will be on the 9th rather than the 2nd, and will be held in the Lions Centre's smaller meeting room (Sisson). The meeting will start at 7:00 pm. Enter by the glass door to the left of the main doors.

Terry Carpenter will provide a tutorial on *"How to Make a 5-Minute Slide Show"*.

This is a time-honoured annual PPS tradition, and we would like as many members as possible to take part! Now is a good time to start thinking about what collections of your images you can find that centre on a them or perhaps a trip. Images can be from any period. Bringing some ideas to Terry's talk will help you get the most from the session and ensure you get your questions answered.

The Members' 5-Minute Slide Shows will be shown in the February 6th meeting. Terry will cover what makes a great slideshow and how to build one. You just might find that it's easier than you think.

Let your ingenuity come alive and share your creation with us!

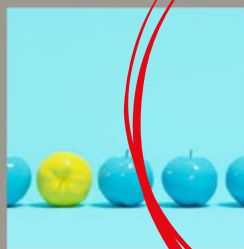
Your completed slide show entry must be submitted no later than January 30.

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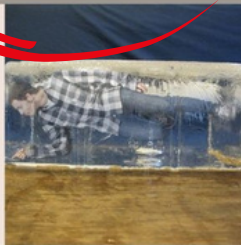
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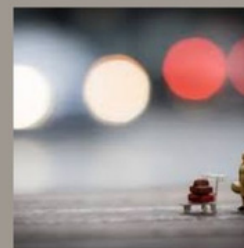


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JANUARY OUTINGS

Kawartha Lakes Museum Old Lindsay Gaol Saturday, January 20th



Images by Terry Carpenter

Hi Folks,

The outing for the month of January will be in the warm interior of the Old Lindsay Gaol (jail).

Meet at 10:00 am in the parking lot beside the jail, located at 50 Victoria Ave. N. Lindsay, ON. This should be a fun and interesting outing with a chance to take some great historical images. Flash is allowed, but tripods are not recommended. Please be respectful of other visitors.

Please note that there is no elevator and the second floor is only available by stairs. There are interesting pictures outside as well as the inside of the building, especially the old oak door.

The Victoria County Gaol (jail) was built in 1863 at the same time as the court house, after Victoria County separated from Peterborough County.

Hope to see you all there. Wishing you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

DAVID HELMER
MEMBER AT LARGE



CHALLENGE OUTING JANUARY / FEBRUARY

Splash Pad Challenge



Image by David Helmer

The challenge for January / February is the splash pad at Roger's Cove in East City, Peterborough. The bleak image below is simply a "record" shot taken with a bit of snow on the ground. Where are the kids? A splash pad in the winter can look lonely and desolate, and perhaps this is something you might wish to portray.



Image by David Helmer

With more snow on the ground and on the spray nozzles, frost on the trees, a blue sky and the right point of view, there are many possibilities for setting the mood of your choice. It is up to you, but we'll all be anxious to see what each one of you creates.

Please submit your images by February 27th.

LINDA CARDONA
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MEMBERSHIP NOTES

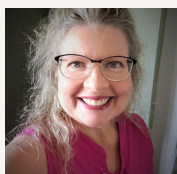
- Guests can attend two free meetings. If you know someone that would like to come to a PPS meeting as a guest, please have them contact me at memberpps@gmail.com.
- The PPS website includes Membership Information, Resources, Dropbox image submission links, a gallery of our members' images, and so much more. The Member Galleries are a chance for each member to display some of their best work.

We would love to have more members start their own galleries to show some of their best work. It's as easy as 1,2,3!

1. Choose your best images (as many as you'd like)
2. Name the JPEG images as follows: "<your name> - <image title>.jpg"
3. Submit your images to the "Website Gallery Images" Dropbox link here:
www.dropbox.com/request/looqKwCgDlsOCD6oJlpm

To make files easier to manage, the best practice is to resize your images: 1024px on the longest edge, regardless of image orientation (landscape or portrait). Otherwise, simply submit your images with any size and we'll take care of it.

SUE STARR
SOCIAL MEDIA DIRECTOR



SOCIAL MEDIA NOTES

Our Facebook page is a good source of information regarding upcoming meetings, photo submission deadlines, items for sale, etc. Facebook is also a good forum to share your images. Please feel free to do so. Only our group members will be able to access your posts.

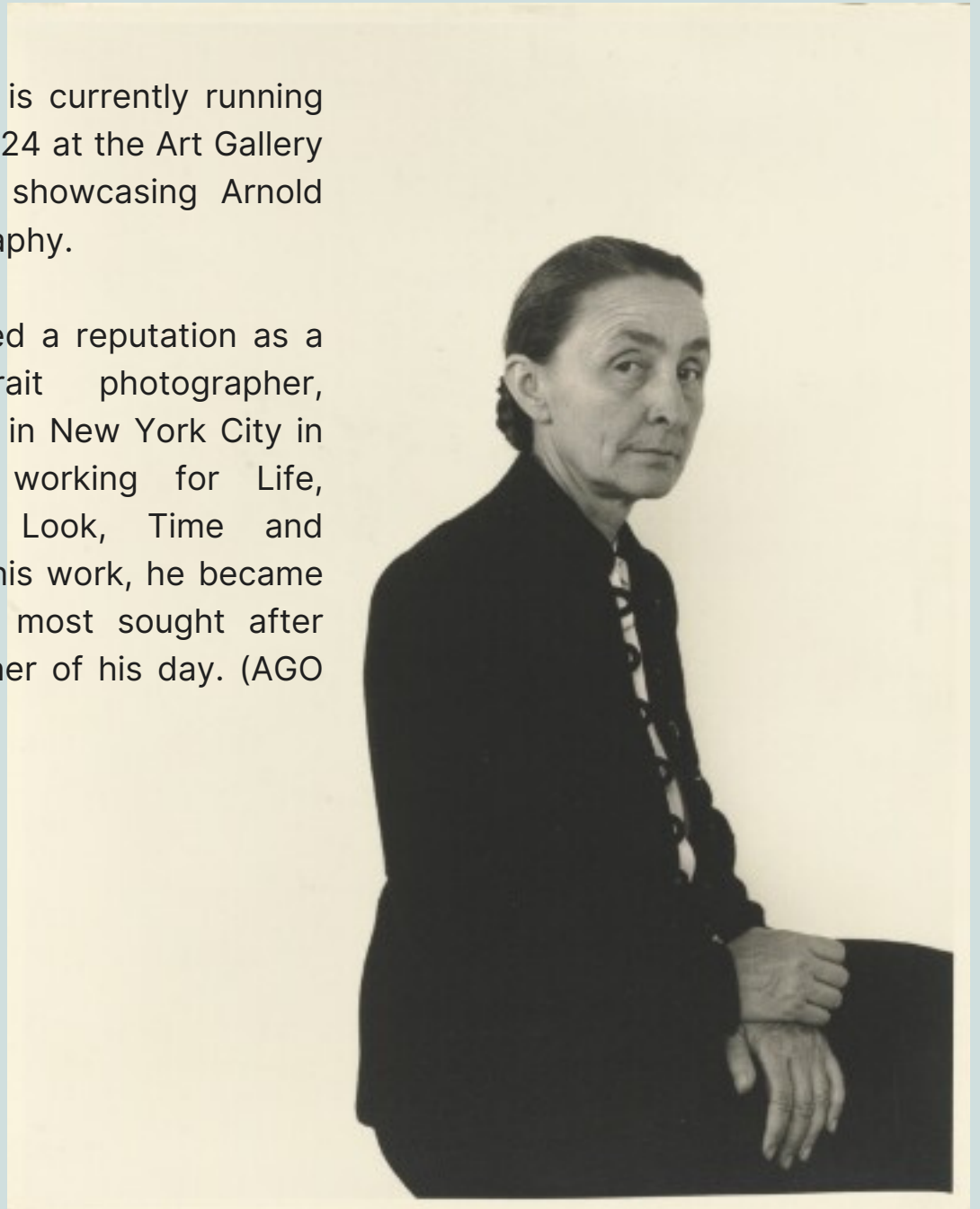
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at:
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Thanks,
Sue

**AGO Arnold Newman Exhibit:
Building Icons: Arnold Newman's
Magazine World, 1938-2000**

An exciting exhibit is currently running until January 21, 2024 at the Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO), showcasing Arnold Newman's photography.

Newman established a reputation as a commercial portrait photographer, setting up a studio in New York City in the 1940's and working for Life, Harper's Bazaar, Look, Time and Holiday. Through this work, he became celebrated as the most sought after portrait photographer of his day. (AGO source).



www.ago.ca/exhibitions/building-icons-arnold-newmans-magazine-world-1938-2000

SPARK
PHOTO FESTIVAL

The SPARK Photo Festival is a celebration of photography & the artists, storytellers, professionals & enthusiasts behind the lens.

OPEN CALL EXHIBITS
Individual or group • Exhibit venues throughout the region



JURIED EXHIBIT
Themed competition • Open to all Ontario photographers

EMERGING ARTIST PROGRAM
Learn the basics from concept to exhibit

Every year, the month of April marks the arrival of numerous photographic exhibits and artists, workshops, lectures and other related photographic events and activities throughout the Peterborough, Northumberland and the Kawarthas

YEAR-ROUND PROGRAMMING
First-Time Exhibitors Workshop: We will walk you through what you need to have a successful exhibit

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YOUR BEST
**PPS PHOTO
CONTEST**
SCENIC SHOT

DEADLINE FOR ENTRY MARCH 20TH, 2024

Send to Miscellaneous Dropbox. Please title your image with Novice or Experienced and the name of your image.

Judging and showing of the winners will be at the PPS meeting on April 2nd, 2024. Judges will be you, the members. This will be a fun night when you, the members, will decide on the final winners of 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Honourable Mention in the two categories.

RULES:

You must be a PPS member
Submit your best scenic image.
No date restrictions for image creation.

CATEGORIES:

Novice photographer

Experienced photographer

You decide which category you are in

For the judging, images shown will not have the member's name, just the slide title. Slight modifications to your image are allowed to enhance the overall visual appeal of the photograph. Permitted modifications include adjustments to brightness, contrast, saturation, cropping, straightening and minor retouching (removal of dust spots, etc.).

Not allowed: heavy digital manipulations, such as adding or removing significant elements, compositing multiple images, or AI (artificial intelligence) photography.

For more info, please contact Terry Carpenter
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Emily Romano, Community Development Coordinator for Parks and Recreation Division, City of Kawartha Lakes, has brought to our attention an upcoming photography course, "Spirit of Winter", which may be of interest to PPS members. The lead for this one-day course is Rob Stimpson, a PPS speaker our club hosted back in November, 2020.

Mr. Stimpson has returned to lead and encourage photographers to go beyond the ordinary and capture images that help to develop their own style. Although there are no rules to photography, this workshop will introduce concepts that foster the participant's eye for capturing images in a unique way.

The one-day workshop will be run at the Fenelon Falls Community Centre on February 10, 2024. Registration is now open.

Please see the promotional poster below, that has details about the course and this link to register.

If you have any questions, please contact Emily,

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WORKSHOP

Photography
The Spirit of Winter
Fenelon Falls Community Centre
February 10, 2024

Looking at winter scenery, we are often captivated by the play of light on the landscape. In this workshop, the talented Rob Stimpson will encourage participants to go beyond the ordinary to capture exceptional images.

To learn more or to register scan the QR code below.

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