

KPAC SNAPSHOT: AUG 2020



PACIFIC ZONE CHALLENGE: AUG 1—OCT 1

... a creative way to weather the pandemic

Exciting news from our Pacific Zone. We have our very own **Pacific Zone Challenge** which will start accepting entries from both PZ clubs and PZ CAPA Individual members. The attachment will give you the details and is posted on the KPAC website. Sheena Wilkie will have this announcement up on the CAPA website: www.capacanada.ca and the details of the competition will be under the REGIONS tab and then in the Pacific Zone section. This 'OPEN THEME' contest opens for entries August 1 thru to October 1, 2020. Entries are submitted through the CAPA website, competitions page. Colour, infra-red, monochrome and/or HDR formats in the usual 1400 X 1050 pixel jpgs can be entered. Clubs submit 6 images from 6 member photographers. Individual CAPA members submit 4 images each. Please read and follow instructions carefully. THX!

CAMERA OBSCURA TOURS @ Paramount

... an upside down way to weather the pandemic

The phrase, camera obscura, is Latin for “darkened chamber” or “dark room.” The camera obscura is a device that admits light through a small opening (often fitted with a glass lens) into a box or darkened space to project an upside down image of the outside world onto a surface inside the box or space. Experience Victoria & 5th Ave from reversed angle.

A key focus of Kamloops based artist Donald Lawrence’s practice has been the merging of art, technology and science. Through pinhole camera and camera obscura projects, Lawrence’s work draws upon early optical and image-making devices, and centres on conventions of illusion that emerged through the use of these technologies in 19th century European culture (though their origins lay in previous times and in other cultures).

Free Tours begin at Kamloops Art Gallery 2 people at a time. Please wear a mask. There are 16 stairs and a narrow passage way to the tent on Paramount awning: 10AM—12 Aug 11,18 & 25 Sept 1,8,15 & 22 COVID-19 Protocols in place.

A ZOOMING in the PANDEMIC

. . . An invitation from the Kelowna COPS

KEY to a BETTER PHOTO: a ZOOM Seminar with Blake Rudis

Aug 20/2020 @ 5PM— KPAC members are invited to join the Central Okanagan Photographic Society (COPS) for an evening of photographic learning, via Zoom. COPS has engaged famed photographer, author, lecturer & teacher, Blake Rudis, to conduct a workshop for us. You are invited to participate via Zoom at no charge. Blake has an engaging teaching style and approach to photography we're sure you'll appreciate.

Have you ever wondered what makes the viewer's jaw drop when they see a photo they like? A few answers that come to mind are probably Composition, Color, Subject Matter, or even Shape & Form.

But, what if I told you the answer is you. Yes, you!

As simple as that sounds, it makes all the difference. In this Live Event, we will dive deep into the emotive side of photography. We will discuss how to find yourself in your work so you can harness your passion while making your best images ever. We'll then look at user-submitted photos and transform them with subliminal artistic decisions that will help take them to the next level.

The link to register for the Seminar is included in the SNAPSHOT cover e-mail.

For those unfamiliar with the Zoom platform, Google zoom tutorials for simple instructions. If you have difficulties Robert Nowland has again offered to assist in getting members up to speed with this new kind of meeting reality.

. . . sharing time & a drink with Art Wolfe & friends

EARTH IS OUR WITNESS INTERVIEWS & TEQUILA TIME

Canadian photographer Michelle Valberg shared her Inuit portraits, Australian photographer Jasmine Carey her gorgeous, underwater images of whales, American Matthew Jordan Smith feels more at home in Japan, Mark Edward Harris shares archival shots of the Middle East—these are just a few of the exceptional photographers who share their work via the Zoom platform with Art Wolfe and his pal Parimal. You can join the live interviews on Instagram and Facebook each Thursday night. And—yes, all episodes of both TEQUILA TIME (cyber visits with Art) and EARTH IS OUR WITNESS are available to watch after the fact. . . Any time! (You don't have to be on Facebook) If you're signed up to receive Art's weekly bulletin, it includes a recap of the week's blog posts and links. If you watch live you can interact with questions. It's modern day magic!

[Tequila Time Multimedia Page](#)

[Earth Is Our Witness on Facebook](#)

LANDSCAPE Photography Conference

... On-line events are the future of education

Join KELBYONE and 12 top Landscape photographers for a 2-day Live Online Landscape Journey Sept. 8&9 2020. Immerse yourself in a world of Landscape images; uncover secrets to capturing perfect night skies; spectacular colour; embrace creativity; learn to composite; conquer B&W and leapfrog to mastering post processing. 10 full sessions begin at 9AM PDT and are split into 2 Full Tracks each Day with replays available until Jan 1, 2021. You are able to switch back and forth between tracks.

Who needs to travel and sit in traffic? Save time and money by registering for the Early-bird price of \$149 US and get a bonus day Sept.7. Check out [Kelbyonelive.com/landscape-conference](https://kelbyonelive.com/landscape-conference) for details and promo video.

... 10 reasons to join the conference

1. Watch live, interactive sessions with top industry pros, and have the ability to participate in Q&A sessions through our chat window.
2. Connect with other landscape photographers from around the world virtually.
3. Come away with an increased knowledge of the best gear for landscape photography.
4. Learn how to unlock YOUR full potential.
5. Master the art of B&W Photography.
6. Be inspired.
7. Uncover the pro's secrets.
8. Discover new locations and perspectives.
9. Unlock the creativity living inside you.
10. Get access to all session recordings through Jan.1st, 2021.

KPAC CHICKENS OUT of MASKED BARBEQUE

Well . . . with the COVID-19 virus still hanging around and many KPAC members being of a certain vulnerable age it seems best to scratch the Club's annual summer get together down by the river. Chicken Little says it is extremely difficult to eat Barbecued food wearing a mask. She's tried it.

Will we meet in September? Who knows?

It is a wait and see situation. We can still participate on-line for things like SHOWCASE so keep on taking those images. You could mount a Gallery page or refresh one you've already created. There's some interesting selections. Check it out!

(photo by Valerie Rampone)



. . . And speaking of Galleries



Photo: Christine Overland

After thinking about sharing her images for several years, Christine Overland mounted some beautiful images on the Gallery page this past spring. (*Sorry I missed including the above image in the last newsletter. VR*). Angelina Brooymans has also created a Gallery. Bravo! Both of You and to the others for sharing your passion for photography. I'm looking forward to seeing what Christine has captured with her latest toy . . Whoops, tool . . . she was gifted with (a GO-Pro camera).

FLYTOGRAPHY . . . An idea born in BC

It is a neat idea that Nicole Smith of Victoria came up with. She realized that some trips and travel experiences deserve more than 'Selfies'. Travelers can now connect with excellent photographers in more than 300 cities around the world. It is an ingenious travel hack in that the photographers know their communities and where and when to capture intriguing images plus the best places for a cappuccino or offbeat locations away from the tourist beat.

Flytographers have captured special anniversaries, surprise proposals, girls getaway, solo travel, Honeymoon memories , multi-generational, or 'just because'.

The process to book a Flytographer is as easy as choosing your destination; connecting with the photographer; meet at your trip location; photoshoot; and images emailed within 5 days. Your incredible memories are captured beautifully for you. The details are looked after in advance. Even KPAC members would be in the pictures and not a vacation ghost. Check it out at Flytographer.com Perhaps there is a career here for you?

(For a zoom interview with Nicole Smith/Flytographer go to [facebook.com/departurerevelvictoria/live](https://www.facebook.com/departurerevelvictoria/live))

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