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Members' Review: Wildlife and Bird Photos

The theme of our next in-person meeting is either Wildlife and Birds, or something you learned or tried following Ian Plant's webinar on "Essential Lessons and Techniques for Compelling Photographs," which we viewed together at our zoom meeting earlier this week.

If you wish to review it (or browse it at double speed ;-), or view it for the first time, it is still available at: <https://www.photomasters.com/free-webinar-replay>; and the second video, Ian's interview with wildlife and landscape photographer Richard Bernabe, is available at: <https://youtu.be/MAhQCmCcle8?si=LHp3WBE8IH6qvzey>

Our meeting is scheduled for April 21st at the Port Stalashen clubhouse – directions are in the box at the bottom of our [program schedule](#).

Please submit up to 4 of your images to me at millpondsailor@gmail.com by first thing in the morning on Monday April 20th, **AND** please follow the [photo submission guidelines below](#). Remember to put "Wildlife and Birds" in the subject line of your email, and include the word "Coaching" if you wish to have a discussion of your images when we view them.

Photo Walk at Clayton's Park on April 14th at 5PM – Join us, won't you?

Just a reminder for the photo walk to Clayton Park this Tuesday at 5PM. Meeting place: Small parking lot at the end of Clayton Ave. (opposite 5544 Clayton Ave.)



Please let Natalya know by email natalya38@gmail.com if you plan to attend, so that if we must cancel and choose a raindate, we can let you know.

Sechelt Public Library Photo Exhibit Opportunity

We are planning on changing the photos in the library in May so I'd like to receive your submissions by April 15th.

We have 2 themes, one for each wall in the library.

- Black and white minimalism
- Colour leading lines and/or pathways.

Submission details:

- The orientation of the photos must be landscape (wide, not tall) with an aspect ratio of 1.444 (e.g. crop to 13 x 9). Printing details will follow after selections are made
- Each member can submit up to 3 images
- selections are made not just on quality and interest but also considering how they fit as a group.

I am looking for volunteers for the selection committee. It's fun doing this, selecting the photos that work together in a cohesive way, and those of interest to the viewer.

Please let me know of your interest in working on a selection committee, and send your submissions and any questions to thebigph@gmail.com

Looking forward to seeing your pic's

Phil

Our Members' Awards

Two of our members received special recognition in the CAPA Inspiration Colour photo competition.

MJ Leeden received a 3rd Merit Award in the Cultural sub-theme for her image "Pretending" as part of our club submission.



Natalya Gunde received Honourable Mentions for her individual entries: Crown of the Wild



Fall Colours



and Floating Radiance.



If you are interested in seeing the winning photos in the Inspiration Colour competitions, this link is for the individual photographer entries, <https://capacanada.ca/competition-winners-2026-inspirational-colour-individual-competition/> and this one for the club results: <https://capacanada.ca/competition-winners-2026-inspirational-colour-club-competition/>.

Gallery 881 – Another Room: Salon des Refusés

“Another Room” is an exhibition modelled on the idea of the “Salon des Refusés” (translated “exhibition of rejects”) held in Paris in 1863. That Salon des Refusés was an exhibition where

unconventional and emerging styles of art could be shown; it included works by Manet and Cézanne.

This exhibition runs from April 1st to the 30th at Gallery 881, located at 881 East Hastings St. in Vancouver. The exhibition is showing works of 101 photographic artists. I have no idea what it'll be like, but I (Bruce) am planning to go over and view it. If you are interested in joining me, please contact me at millpondsailor@gmail.com. (We may combine this trip with a Vancouver-based Photo walk). Gallery hours are Tuesday - Friday 10am - 5pm and Saturday Noon - 5pm. As well as the open exhibit of photographs, there are public events scheduled including talks, slideshows and workshop. Check it out further here: <https://www.gallery881.com/another-room-a-salon-des-refuses>

Manpreet Sokhi – Tigers in India with Editing Tips & Tricks- Friday May 8th

As part of the BC/Yukon Interclub Speaker series, Manpreet will present his tiger photos from India, discussing challenges and sharing practical editing techniques to maximize image impact. You must register to participate; we will send out the registration weblink, when we receive it.

Invitation for Member Slideshows

We would like to get to know more about what our members have been doing photographically. If you have a show or would like to put together a show to share and discuss at a club meeting, then let us know. It might be on

- your relationship to photography
- a trip or expedition around the world or across Howe Sound – show us your style, and your perception of a place and people.
- results from a workshop
- a body of your work or portfolio on a theme, or just images you like.
- a project – show us how you solved a problem, produced a product, experimented with a new technique or genre, or went from vision, through shutter release, to final image.

This is an experiment itself; initially we're thinking from 3 to 12 minutes in length. If you need more time for your idea, please get in touch to discuss scheduling.

If you have something you would like to show and perhaps talk about, please let me know (millpondsailor@gmail.com) and send it along. If it is just a twinkle in your eye at this point, tell me what you have in mind, and when it might be ready and we can work on scheduling.

Club Membership

If you are interested in joining the club, please visit the membership page on our club website: <https://sunshinecoastcameraclub.ca/membership/>

Photo Submission Guidelines

We use photo submission guidelines for our member review photo shows which are very similar to those required for entries in Canadian Association for Photographic Arts. (Please see the CAPA Competitions webpage for those details: <https://capacanada.ca/capa-competitions/>).

These are the guidelines our club currently uses:

- The image should have a maximum width of 1400 and a maximum height of 1050 pixels.
 - If you are submitting a **phone photo** that has not been processed on a computer, send it by email as an attachment using an image size of “Large” for iPhone, if you’ve got an Android, send one size less than “Actual Size” (we’re working on this).
- Name your image files with your name followed by a dash (-)the image title; e.g. “Bruce Pond-Guardians.jpg”.
 - If you wish to indicate the order in which your photo should be presented, please include a sequence number after your name e.g.
 - Bruce Pond-01-Contemplate
 - Bruce Pond-02-Honour
 - Bruce Pond-03-Wait
- Submit the images to Bruce Pond (millpondsailor@gmail.com) with the theme keyword in the subject line, e.g. Light Painting.
 - If you wish your submission to be reviewed in our “Coaching Conversation,” as opposed to simply a review showing with no comments, then please include the keyword “Coaching” in your subject line and text e.g. Light Painting - Coaching
- No element in the photo can have been created by “Generative Artificial Intelligence Tools” as defined by CAPA. See the CAPA website for details: <https://capacanada.ca/updated-ai-requirements-on-capa-competitions/>

2025-26 Program Overview



(All meetings start at 7PM, unless otherwise indicated in the program)

Tan highlight indicates a Zoom meeting.
Yellow indicates "not a Tuesday"

Blue highlight indicates an in-person meeting at the Port Stalashen Clubhouse, Wilson Creek

Date	Presenter	Date	Member Review Theme
7-Apr-2026	Ian Plant "Essential Lessons and Techniques for Compelling Photographs."	21-Apr-2026	Wildlife/Birds
5-May-2026	Randall Romano – Documentary Street Photography https://www.randallromano.com/	19-May-2026	Street/Urban
Friday 8-May-2026 6:30PM	Manpreet Sokhi – "Tigers in India with Editing Tips & Tricks" Manpreet will present his tiger photos from India, discussing challenges and sharing practical editing techniques to maximize image impact.		
Friday 29-May-2026	1st Annual Celebration of BC Photography		
2-Jun-2026	Member Showcase		
Friday, 5-June-2026 6:30PM	Larry Louie – "The Voice of My Camera: A Retrospective" Dr. Louie, will show work from Bangladesh, Nepal, the Philippines, and new environmental portraits from Edmonton. His images highlight resilience, social issues, and humanitarian work.		
		16-Jun-2026	Social

Access to the Port Stalashen Clubhouse (1585 Field Road) is via the enterphone just before the gate. Come to the gate, dial **3161** on the enterphone, which will connect to Karen Abrahamson's phone; she will let you in. Consider parking in the parking area by the causeway, walk to the gate and use the enterphone. If there is an issue, call Karen at 604-240-1450.