

# **CPOPC November 2024**

November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### Welcome

- Welcome members, guests and prospective members
- Please join in, ask questions and participate
  - Be respectful of others and the person speaking
- Coffee break
- Washrooms are upstairs

### Agenda

- 1. Today's featured speaker Andrea Girones
- 2. Break
- 3. Club financial situation
- 4. November challenge black and white
- 5. November technique bokeh
- 6. Notices
- 7. Next meeting fall competition & holiday potluck
- 8. Photo 101 color



# Featured Speaker: Andrea Girones



## Break

### **CPOPC** Financial Situation

- Financial situation is serious but should be fine with immediate action
  - Membership numbers are lower than pre-pandemic
  - Membership fees have been at \$50 since 2012
  - Costs have gone up, such as for presenters, judges, room, workshops
  - We have had deficits in five of the last seven years
- Membership fees will have to increase for first time since 2012
  - At this time the executive is not planning a supplementary fee to the membership during the current fiscal year
- Will also have to charge for some workshops and events, as we have in the past

#### November Challenge – Black & White

- The image can be any topic but must be presented in B&W.
- Off Topic: Coloured or monochrome images in any other tone (e.g. sepia, all blue)
- Archives are allowed.
- Submission deadline: Saturday, November 2, 2024 (midnight)
- Voting deadline: Thursday, November 7, 2024 (midnight)



Tom Byrom Unsplash





Frederik Trovatten Unsplash Danie Franco Unsplash

### Fall competition – Long exposure

- Any image where a long exposure time indicates motion such as a blur, smoothing of water, star trail, etc.
- Off Topic: Any image where the exposure is fast enough to freeze action throughout the image.
- Up to 3 images can be submitted
- Images must have been taken since December 01, 2023
- Submission deadline: Saturday, November 23, 2024 (midnight)



Paul Pastourmat Unsplash



Dave Hoefler Unsplash

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#### November Technique – Bokeh

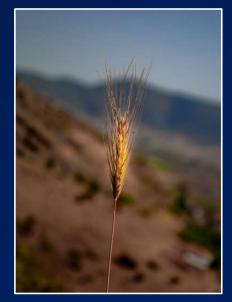
Bokeh refers to the aesthetic quality of the out-of-focus areas in a photograph. It occurs when the background or foreground elements become blurred due to a shallow depth of field. Bokeh is often desirable for creating a pleasing separation between the subject and its surroundings, emphasizing the main focal point.



Francesco Tommasini on Unsplash



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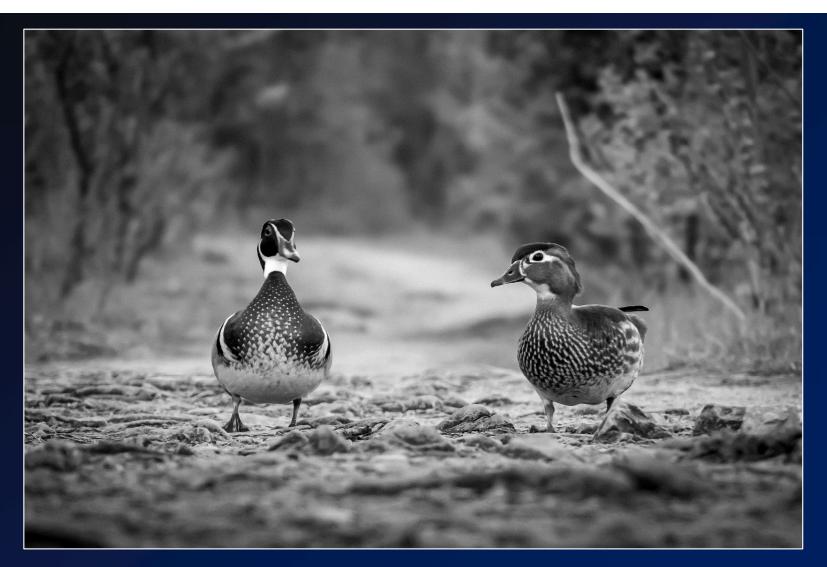
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Jean-François Riel



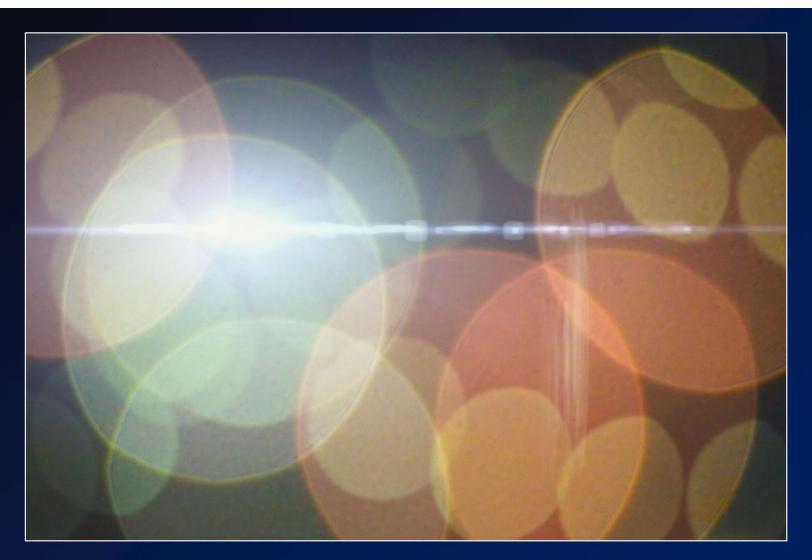
Jean Moore



Nick Ingold



Lynda Buske



Chris Taylor



## Notices

### Photo Processing Workshop Facilitator: Jean-François Riel

- Still room for upcoming workshop on November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm
- One common image to work on
- One of your own images to work on
- Registration closes tonight @ midnight
- 3 images to be submitted by November 11<sup>th</sup> @ midnight

#### How to Make a Photo Book By: Lynda Buske and Chris Taylor

- November 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 9am to 12pm
- Preserving memories in hard copy with the *Photobook Canada* website (set up account first)
- Bring your laptop with images to include pre-selected
- Or bring a USB key with images on it AND reserve one of 2 laptops with Johan @ johancarignan@gmail.com
- Will include overview presentation with handout, demo, and one-on-one coaching

#### Annual Membership Fees; 2024 - 2025 Secretary and Treasurer - Roger Régimbal

• Individual - \$50

\$25 for new members only joining between Feb. 1 and June 30

• Family - \$75

\$35 for new members only joining between Feb. 1 and June 30

• Online only - \$25

All online monthly meetings, events, outings and workshops, plus challenges and competitions.

- All returning members pay full price
- Payment is due NOW
- Access to "Members Only" section of website cut off after November
- Please pay online via PayPal using the CPOPC web site "How to Join" page

### CPOPC Communications Communications Director: John Ingold



- Monthly Newsletter + deadline reminders
- Facebook: Orleans Photo Club
  - Challenge and Competition winners' photos, event updates
  - https://www.facebook.com/CPOPC
- Instagram: Orleans\_Photo\_Club
  - Member contributions photos, event updates
  - https://www.instagram.com/orleans\_photo\_club/?hl=en
  - Thank you to Trish Parsons for helping post member contributions
- X (Twitter): OrleansPhotoClb
  - Deadlines, event updatesv
  - https://twitter.com/OrleansPhotoClb





### **CPOPC Online Discussion Forum**

- Restricted to CPOPC members and is completely voluntary
- For communication with other members on anything photographic
  - sharing ideas, asking for help & opinions, general photographic discussions, etc.
  - · sharing of images permitted
    - be considerate of other forum members' bandwidth & mailbox size
- To join, send an email to Chris.Taylor@opcug.ca
  - request access to the CPOPC-Forum
  - include your full name, email & mailing address on record with CPOPC
    - for membership validation
- Once approved, you;
  - will receive an email welcoming you to the forum
  - can post to the forum by emailing cpopc-forum@googlegroups.com
    - your email will be distributed to all members of the forum
  - will receive (via email) any postings made by forum members
    - subject line will always begin with [CPOPC-Forum]
  - · can reply to any emails that come from the forum
    - your reply will be sent to all members of the forum
- Note: by posting to the forum, you will be exposing your email address to forum subscribers



#### 2024 Inter-Club Audio-Visual Showcase

- Clark Hall, RA Centre on Tuesday, Dec 3, 7pm
- 3-6 min videos, 8 per club
- Videos are usually a set of still photos in a timed PowerPoint, set to music
- Submit to Ibuske@sympatico.ca via a link (e.g. Dropbox)
- Deadline Tuesday, Nov 19<sup>th</sup> at midnight

#### Inter-Club Competition





- Clark Hall, RA Centre on Tuesday, April 1, 7pm
- Digital and print competitions, separate ribbons.
- Topic : Up Close
- Up to 2 photos on topic, other(s) in general category. Total of maximum 3 images.
- Your submissions can be any combo of print and digital.
- RA website for submissions opens on January 17
- Deadline for on-line submission: Midnight, March 19

#### Photoshop Virtual Summit 6

- November 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>
- 40 classes by 23 expert instructors
- Free if watched live, or anytime with VIP pass
- https://www.pssummit.com

#### Activities Coming Up

- Photo Processing Workshop : November 13<sup>th</sup>
- Photo Book Making Workshop : November 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Photoshop Virtual Summit : November 11<sup>th</sup> to November 15<sup>th</sup>
- Laughter 4 Cancer Comedy Fundraiser : November 14<sup>th</sup>
- Please share upcoming events with the Club

### Next Meeting

December 14<sup>th</sup> at 10h00 right here at the QHCC

#### •HOLIDAY POTLUCK!!

- Bring handheld food and drinks!
- Competition: Long Exposure (submit by November 23<sup>rd</sup>)



## Photo 101 Understanding Colours

### **Primary Colours**

In theory, mixing primary colours can create every other colour:

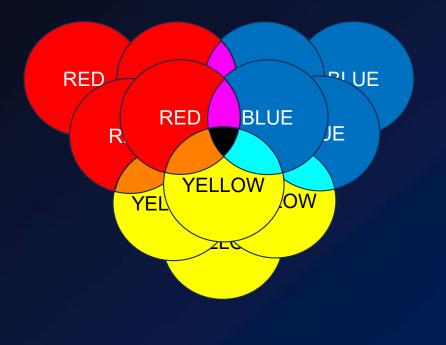
- Can create all the hues
- Can only create a subset of Colours (Colour = Hue x Saturation x Lightness)
- Hue is how humans perceive colour

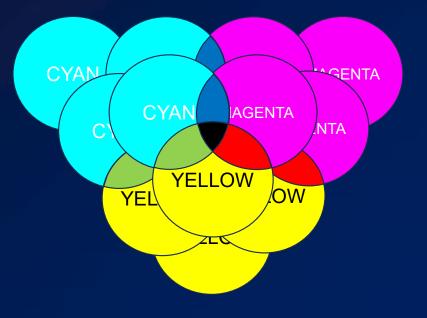
Two basis for primary Colours: Subtractive and Additive

Primary Colours are not pure

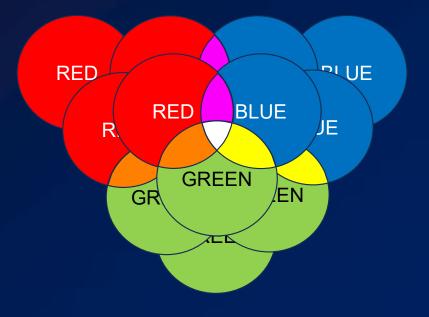


### **Subtractive Colour**

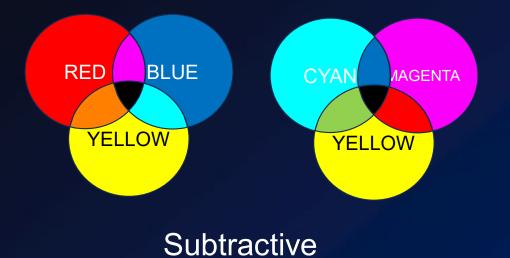




### Additive Colour



### **Comparing Colour Spaces**





### Additive vs Subtractive

#### Subtractive

- Material absorbs light and reflects the colour we see
- Used for printing and materials (paints, plastics)
- CYMK is more often used for printing because easier/better to reproduce Colour

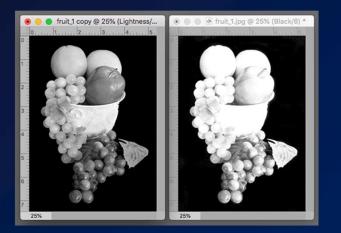
#### **Additive**

- Projects the Colour we see
- Used for light capture (e.g. cameras) and projection (e.g. televisions, monitors)

### How to Use Colour

- Coloured lights or gels on lights
  - Adds colour and mood to the scene
  - Creates unique monochromatic images
- Saturation, Hue sliders in photo processing









## Understanding Colour Psychology

- Warm Colours:
  - Red, orange, and yellow
  - Evoke emotions ranging from warmth and comfort to anger and hostility
  - Create a sense of energy, excitement, or even tension.
- Cool Colours:
  - Blue, green, and purple
  - Associated with calmness, serenity, and sadness
  - Create a tranquil, peaceful atmosphere or to convey melancholy.
- Neutral Colours:
  - White, black, and gray
  - Used to balance your composition or emphasize other Colours
  - Often serve as a backdrop, allowing other Colours to stand out more vividly







### Using Colour to Tell a Story

- Highlighting the Subject:
  - Use Colour contrast to make your subject stand out.
- Creating Mood:
  - Colour palette influences the mood of your photograph
- Symbolism in Colour:
  - Colours carry symbolic meanings that add depth



### **Colour Grading**

- Creating Consistency:
  - Create a cohesive look across a series of photos.
- Enhancing Emotion:
  - Subtly shifting the Colours in your image, you can enhance the emotional impact





### **Complementary Colours**

- Creating Visual Interest:
  - Make your images more visually striking
  - Used to draw attention to specific elements in your composition
- Balancing the Scene:
  - Important to balance them to avoid overwhelming the viewer
  - Use one Colour as the dominant hue and the other as an accent to maintain harmony



### Analogous Colours

- Harmonious Composition:
  - Analogous Colours are next to each other on the Colour wheel and tend to create a harmonious, pleasing effect.
- Subtle Storytelling:
  - Analogous Colours can be used to tell a more subtle, nuanced story





### **Monochromatic Colour Schemes**

- Focus on Form and Texture
- Creating Unity:
  - Monochromatic images can create a strong sense of unity and cohesion





## Practical Tips for Working with Colour

- Use Colour Intentionally:
  - Convey a mood
  - Highlight a subject
  - Create a sense of balance
  - · As a guide your composition and storytelling
- Experiment with Post-Processing:
  - Fine-tune the Colours in your images
  - Experiment with different Colour grades, tints, and saturation levels to see how they affect the mood and narrative
  - Subtle adjustments can often have a significant impact
- Consider the Environment
  - Pay attention to the Colours present
- Learn from Film and Art
  - Study how others use Colour (Photographers, Films, Artists, etc.)

## Thank you, merci!