



CPOPC December 2025

December 13, 2025

Agenda

- Fall Competition Results – Boats and Planes
- Mini Break
- Photo Processing Workshop Images
- Member Contribution - Lynda Buske
- Notices
- Next Meeting
- **POTLUCK !!**

Club Photo



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Photo Club

Fall Competition Results - Boats and Planes -

Fall Competition— Boats & Planes

- Image must contain a boat(s)/ship(s) or a plane(s) or both! The objects can be part of a larger scene but the boat or plane must be important enough to draw our attention.
- **Off Topic:** Image contains neither boat nor plane or is a small part of the image. The viewer should not have to search.
- Up to 3 images can be submitted. **Must have been taken since Dec 2024.**
- Submission deadline: **Saturday, Nov 22, 2025 (midnight)**
- Voting will be done by recruited judges



January Challenge – Human connections

- Connection between two or more people. The image could show an interaction or tell a story of people connected by work, play, love, etc.
- **Off Topic:** Either has no people or they play a small role in the image.
- Submission deadline: **Saturday, Jan 3, 2026 (midnight)**
- Voting deadline: Thursday, Jan 8th (midnight)
- Archived photos are allowed.



Update on use of AI in challenges or competitions

- CPOPC continues to follow the CAPA guidelines
- Features such as denoise, smart erase, sharpening, etc. are allowed providing the program is using pixels from the club member's image.
- Sky replacement (or other backgrounds/textures) is allowed providing the new sky was captured by the entrant.
- Very slim white or black frames are allowed so that the image edges can be viewed properly on the voting page of the website.
- Features that use pixels from other images (within the software or sources other than what is created by the entrant) **are not allowed**. They may be termed “generative” or ask for a word description.

<https://capacanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/CAPAs-Stance-on-AI-Generated-Images-in-Photo-Competitions.pdf>

Update on use of AI in challenges or competitions

- There is software available to determine the use of AI but the club will be using the honour system for now.
- As per CAPA guidelines, members are asked not to remove meta data.
- It is recognized that AI might assist you with suggestions of how to improve your image. This aligns with the club's goals of improving members' skills. Having AI perform the changes for you is counter to the club values.

Mini Break

Photo Processing Workshop

- Images from November 2025 -



Sharon Fry

Sharon Fry

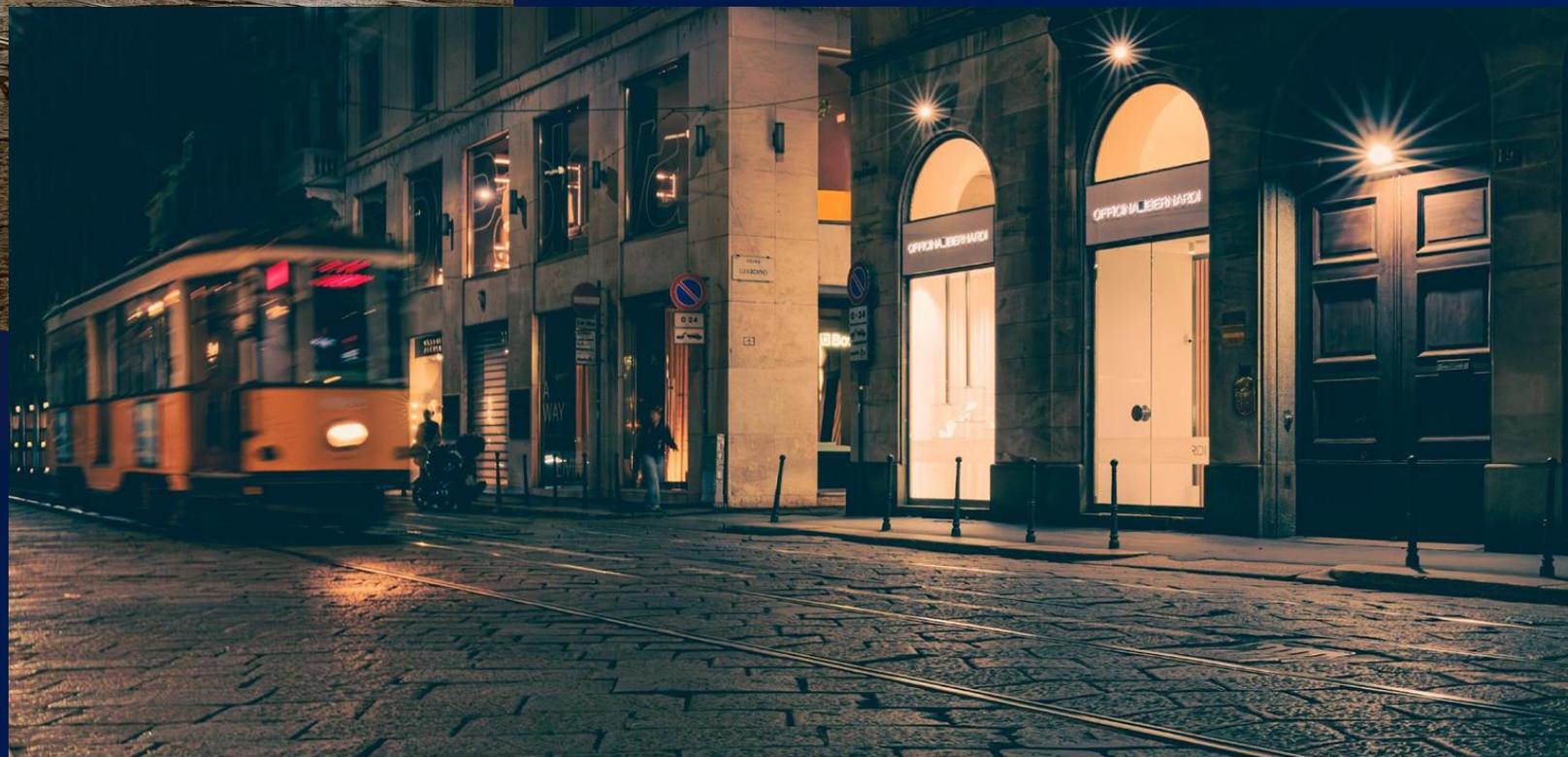




Sharon Fry



Darren Bessette



Jean-François Riel



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Patricia Parsons

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Scott Udle





Scott Udle

The Participants

- Darren Bessette
- Sharon Fry
- Patricia Parsons
- Jean-François Riel
- Scott Udle

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Member Contribution

- Lynda Buske -

Notices

January Technique

Diagonals and Triangles

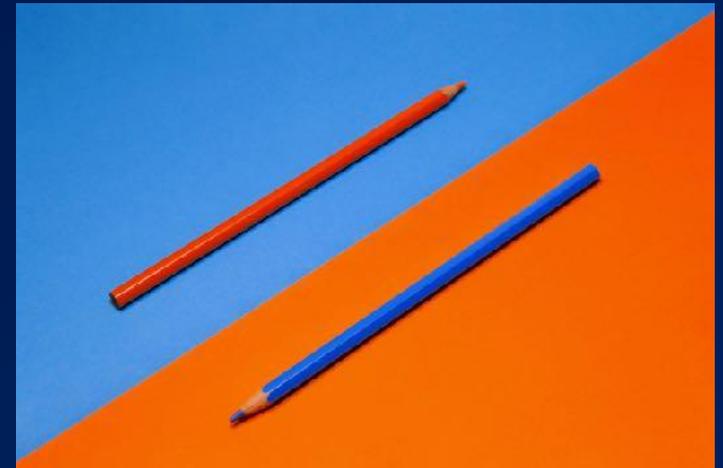
- Horizontal and vertical lines subconsciously imply stability. Someone standing on a flat surface looks pretty safe and stable. Diagonal lines should therefore suggest instability which can create dynamic tension in your image. Combine enough diagonals and throw in a few horizontals to create triangles which can further add to the dynamic tension. Triangles and diagonals can also be used to show motion such as with light trails moving away from the scene.



Scott Udle



Scott Udle



Alice Yamamura - Unsplash

2025-26 Techniques

Scott Udle

- Centre composition and symmetry
- Frame within a frame
- **Diagonals and triangles**
- Break the pattern
- Left to right side
- Balance foreground / background elements
- Decisive moment

Photo Processing Workshop

Facilitator: Jean-François Riel

- Come explore photo processing!
- **NEW!!** : LIVE processing demo by Scott Udle and Jean-François Riel
- Process two of your own images, and show before and after versions
- Next workshop to be held on Zoom **February 17th**, @ 7:00 pm
- Register on the Club's website by **February 14th @ midnight** to receive instructions and Zoom link
- Your images are due **February 16th at midnight**

December 2025 Outing: Christmas Lights Cumberland Museum

Outing facilitator: Johan Carignan

- **Date:** 14 December 2025 (**TOMORROW !**)
- **Timing:** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- **Location:** Cumberland Heritage Village Museum
2940 Ch. Old Montreal Rd, Cumberland, ON K4C 1G3
- **Participant Limit:** Unlimited

Time to practice Low-light and night photography, ICM and long exposures on your tripod

- **Cost (entrance fee) only**
- **\$9.14 per adult and**
- **\$6.47 for seniors**
- **Register now**



In-Person Workshop – Macro Photography

Facilitator: Satvinder Singh

- **Date:** Saturday, 31 January, 2026
- **Timing:** 10:00am to 2:00pm
- **Location:** QHCC
- **Maximum participants:** 12 + observers

Learn macro photography and capture beautiful, detailed images of small subjects from everyday objects to natural textures and tiny creatures using very basic gear.

- **Registration page open**
- **\$35, non-refundable**



In-Person Workshop – Macro Photography

Facilitator: Satvinder Singh

No tripod needed – Add a diffuser to your camera's built-in flash and build a budget-friendly diffuser with very inexpensive materials:

- Vinegar jar;
- Boot shapers; even
- A piece of stiff white paper

It's a creative way to shoot indoors or outdoors. You don't need much space or expensive gear, which makes it great for all experience levels.



In-Person Workshop - Photographing with Smoke

Facilitator: Manfred Mueller

- **Workshop facilitator:** Manfred Mueller
- **Date:** Saturday, 21 March, 2026
- **Timings:** 10:00am to 2:00pm
- **Location:** QHCC
- **Maximum participants:** 6 + observers



Learn to create atmospheric images with smoke

- **Registration page open now**
- **\$35, non-refundable**



CAPA Membership

- CPOPC is a member of CAPA
- This entitles our members to a free limited membership in CAPA
- You have to register yourself as a member of a CAPA club
- You will be able to read the digital Canadian Photography magazine and submit articles to it
- You can also enter their club competitions



Canadian Association For Photographic Art



Menu

This is a limited membership for members of CAPA Clubs who are not individual members of CAPA. This is provided at no cost as a benefit of membership in a CAPA Club. This registered limited membership gives you access to a digital copy of the current Canadian Photography magazine, and the opportunity to submit articles to the magazine.

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<https://capacanada.ca/product/member-of-a-cap-a-club/>

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



**BRING A
FRIEND!**

New Year Challenge
Membership Drive- Bring a Friend

- Asking everyone to invite a prospective member at some point this season
 - Help others find a new passion or rekindling an old one
 - Increase our resources and support so we can maintain our great programming

Why Join the CPOPC Forum?

- Ask a question
- Share a link
- Buy / sell gear
- Discuss any aspect of photography



Contact Chris at: Chris.Taylor@opcug.ca or
VP@cpopc.ca

Presentations at Ottawa Public Library by Lynda Buske & Chris Taylor

FREE but best to register at

<https://bibliooottawalibrary.ca/en/program?text=pc+users>

- Monday, Dec 15, 6pm **Armchair travel - Baltics**, St Laurent
- Saturday, Jan 17, 2pm, **Armchair travel – Iceland**, Nepean CentrepoinTE
- Tue Jan 20, 2pm, **How to make a photo book** - Ruth E. Dickinson
- Thursday Jan 22, 2pm **Armchair travel – Danube**, Centennial
- Saturday, Jan 24, 2pm, **AI fun and useful tips** – Cumberland
- Thursday, Jan 29, 7pm, **Armchair travel – BC**, Rosemount
- Saturday Jan 31, 10:30 am, **AI fun and useful tips** – Main
- Other computer-related presentations available as well:
see <https://bibliooottawalibrary.ca/en/program?text=pc+users>

If not registered, can still attend but first contact lbuske@sympatico.ca or competitions@cpopc.ca to confirm it has not been cancelled.

Next Meeting

- January 10th at 10h00 on Zoom
- Featured Speaker: Eileen Sklon on Negative Space
- Challenge: Human Connections (submit by _____)
- Technique: Diagonals and Triangles (submit by _____)

Merry Christmas !
Happy Holidays !
Happy New Year !