

MISSISSAUGA CAMERA CLUB
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

March- April 2018

Well, Spring is just around the corner and if you are a wildlife photographer I'm sure that will be a welcome relief. If you are not, at least the warmth of the sun and the longer days should get your photographic mojo going. But, there are also some workshops / education days that might put a spring in your step. On April 21, GTCCC is sponsoring a 2018 Capture day at the Edward Village Hotel. Also, the Can Am Photo Expo will take place in Niagara Falls, Ontario on April 27-29.

It's been a busy winter for your Board. We've had interesting developments with the City of Mississauga and Board planning for next season is underway. To begin with, the fee structure was struck for membership and Special Interest Groups for the 2018-2019 season. This fee structure was announced at a recent meeting and the background behind the fees was communicated in an email addressed to all members. I hope everyone has had a chance to read it.

At long last, the City of Mississauga has provided us with the proposal details for our Club to remain affiliated with the City. The City of Mississauga, through the **Community Group Registry Program (CGRP)**, strives to develop mutually beneficial relationships that support community involvement by groups – such as the Mississauga Camera Club (MCC) – by providing services to keep Mississauga residents active, healthy and engaged in their communities. A revised **CRGP** policy was presented for approval to City's General Committee on March 21st. This has been much anticipated over the past year and will require registry groups such as MCC to make changes to their organization structure, practices and policies so as to continue receiving City support such as discounted rental rates at the Mississauga Seniors Center and free liability insurance coverage. Your Directors will review these new requirements and bring them back to the membership for approval, as necessary, to proceed. The most significant policy change to retain Registry-group eligibility will require that MCC incorporate as a Not-for Profit corporation within one year of the next AGM

Our planning session to map out the future direction of the club is scheduled to start April 14 and we really count on your input. Please ensure you complete the survey labelled 'Future Directions Survey' to get your opinions known and if that doesn't allow you to explain your ideas, feel free to contact any Director to carry your thoughts forward.

Competition #3 was another roaring success with 188 digital submissions and over 40 prints and I hope you are able to see the results on the website if you couldn't attend in person. Presentations by our guest speakers at the club meetings were spectacular and SIG meetings have been very active. It won't be long before you and your photo essays will be in the spotlight. To date, I've received 5 photo essays – I need a minimum of 7 more to make it an evening although Bob Bohnert and Dave Clow have offered to provide some longer ones if necessary. Remember, your photo essays are for fun and enjoyment. They need only to be between 3 and 8 minutes long and we ask the membership to vote on them based only on popularity. Write to me if you need assistance. President@mississaugacameraclub.ca

Our banquet planning is also underway and we hope everyone is planning on attending as it makes for a great social end to a great year. Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 31.

You know, I would be remiss, if I didn't point out that we are seriously short of volunteers to take on duties next year. Try to imagine what it would be like if next year there was no Competition Director to bring us photo judging opportunities, no year-end banquet, no Snapshot to let you know what's happening or no one to assume duties of Membership Director. And these are just a few of the gaps to be filled. But the load is really quite light if we lift it together. Please consider giving back to the club.

As a fun event, I will be introducing something which is open to anyone if they want to dust off their camera. I will introduce one photographic project at each of the remaining club meetings of this year. After introducing the project, I will ask that you capture and send me one image (.jpg only) showing your best solution to the project along with the photographic details (aperture, shutter, etc). You will have until the night before the next meeting to respond. I will see if Efraim will be able to put the Projects on the website and if time permits, I may get a chance to display a few random images on the big screen. I'll introduce the first Project at the upcoming Club meeting.

Finally.....Remember: Just like the fish that got away, if your camera is gathering dust in the a closet, that marvelous spring flower glowing in golden sunrise won't make it to the De Cunha or Jim Cranston competitions.

David Penty, President MCC

MCC YEAR END CELEBRATION AND BANQUET

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WILL BE HELD AT THE OASIS BANQUET HALL ON MAY 31
TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE AT THE BEGINNING AND
DURING THE BREAKS OF THE APRIL AND MAY CLUB MEETINGS
TICKETS ARE STILL ONLY \$40 EACH

The following volunteers are needed to make the banquet happen:

Trophy wranglers to collect the trophies and get them engraved

Photographer for the evening

Assistant to help this year and take over next year since I am travelling next spring and will not be available

MCC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It's MCC Membership Renewal Time Again

The Membership Team will be accepting renewals using pre-printed personalized renewal forms starting at the **Apr. 5th** meeting and at all subsequent meetings this spring. If you are unable to attend any of the meetings, you may renew your membership by going to the Mississauga Camera Club website and click on Membership, then Renewal. Address details and other instructions are included on the form.

From June 1st to July 31st, renewals will be accepted by mail. **All current members must renew by July 31st regardless of when they originally joined the club. No renewals will be accepted after July 31st – NO EXCEPTIONS!**

These renewals cover the membership year from Sept.1st, 2018 to Aug.31st, 2019.

2018-2019 MCC Membership Fees			
Individuals	\$70	Couples (must reside at same address & submit separate renewal forms)	\$120
		Students (age 24 & under with valid student card)	\$35

NEWS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP TEAM

For the 2018 – 2019 season we have an opening for a volunteer position on the Membership Team. The duties would include:

- maintaining the membership boxes
- greeting club members and guests before the meeting
- responding via email to inquiries generated from the website

- managing the Renewal process
- coordinating with the Database Team

Support would be available until the volunteer is comfortable on his or her own. If you would be interested in filling this position, please contact Liz McNally or Kathy Foster:

lizmcmcc@gmail.com

kgfoster@rogers.com

FOR SALE

Used tripods, studio lighting , stands and more for sale by George Cordahi. Check this link for details: <http://bit.ly/2qSMweh>

COMPETITION UPDATE

The April 5th midnight deadline for **Competition Four** Digital and Print submissions is approaching fast.

Please prepare your submissions for this final Mississauga Camera Club Competition as it is the final opportunity to reach or to exceed the requirement of nine Digital and six Print submissions this season.

Also please don't forget to submit your beautiful flower images in the DeCunha Digital and Cranston Print competitions. Both include cash prizes.

We will be reviewing all submissions for their conformity to the Handbook rules and their category placement. If you are in doubt about the way to submit or your selections for the best categories please contact anyone on the Team well in advance of posting your images to the website or printing your selected images.

This is your final opportunity to submit and to advance, win awards and climb the Leaderboard this season so don't delay!

Good luck,
The Competition Team

GTCCC UPDATE

As you know, the annual GTCCC competition wrapped up in January, and the Mississauga Camera Club submitted 275 images from 27 members. This is great, thanks again! Almost all of our members have images that 'scored well' and they will be honoured at the awards night gala on Saturday April 21st. We

have 85 images that have an acceptance or higher award. We won't know the actual scores and awards until the awards gala, so this is more encouragement for you to join us at the event and enjoy the amazing photography - and support your fellow club members. There is also a Capture education day on the same date, which is always a great day of speakers and workshops, for a very reasonable price.

More details and tickets for both the awards gala and the Capture education day on April 21st are available at <http://www.gtccc.ca/>

MCC Meeting - March 29, 2018

Title of Presentation: Jerry's Adventures with Little Yellow Tent

Presenter: Jerry Soltys

Jerry Soltys, a member since 2002, is known for her passion for adventure, travel, photography and camping in the wilderness. Many will recall her past presentations from the American Southwest. Jerry's travel style differs in that it was all done by camping, on own, in her little yellow tent, in the backcountry and hiking to remote areas of the desert wilderness of Utah, Arizona and New Mexico. Camping in the outback allowed Jerry to photograph scenes not usually available to other photographers, witnessing the desert red rocks under unique weather conditions and light. The presentation this evening will feature such photographs that cover lesser known areas of this amazing corner of the States. Jerry has won many awards in competitions at MCC mainly in Nature category as well as several awards at the GTCCC, mostly in the "Best in Geology" category.



MCC Meeting - April 5, 2018

Title of Presentation: What Lies Beneath

Presenter: Margaret Hines

www.margarethines.com

Margaret Hines is a self-taught Whitby-based photographer and has been shooting professionally since 2006. After dabbling with weddings, family portraiture, maternity shoots and corporate head-shots, she soon discovered after extensive research that shooting underwater fantasy and fine art portraiture, with its post-production peccadillos and particularly unique results, offered exactly the challenging new type of photographic expression she'd been searching for. Margaret is a Full Member of Professional Photographers of Canada (PPOC), holding a Craftsman of Photographic Arts (CPA) and a PPOC accredited judge. Her works have appeared in or been featured by Vistek Canada, Scotiabank Contact Magazine, Applied Arts Magazine, Epson Canada and Elaine Fleck Gallery, and have received a number of national and international awards. Margaret is also a Canadian Ambassador for Ikelite Underwater Housing Systems. Margaret will discuss the technical, safety and creative challenges that influence her underwater photography.



MCC Meeting - April 5, 2018

4th Competition Submission Deadline

MCC Meeting - April 19, 2018

**Photo Essay Evening
Host: David Penty**

Join us for an evening of audio-visual presentations created by MCC club members. Always a variety of subjects to enjoy. Let's aim for 25 photo essays this year from club members.

OUTINGS

Contact: larryjewett@cogeco.ca
905-844-8838

To confirm or with questions

Sunday 15 April 2018

Meet 10AM

for **breakfast at West End Diner.**

[1181 Main St West Hamilton.](#)

Take 403 Hamilton to Main St West.

Left at the lights and stay on Main St.

Don't go into Dundas, but turn left to continue on Main toward Ancaster.

Restaurant is on the left in the Whitney plaza.

<https://westen.foodpages.ca/?showmap=1>

After breakfast we'll go just down the road to **Tiffany Falls.**

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tiffany_Falls

After the falls, take Main through Ancaster.

Main becomes Wilson to [630 Trinity Rd](#) to the

Ancaster Fair Grounds and the

Ancaster Nostalgia Show

<http://www.collectorshows.ca/EN/gallery.php>

Sunday 27 May 2018

Meet 11AM

for **breakfast at The Trail Eatery**

[35 Crawford Cres.](#)

Campbellville

<http://traileatery.com/>

We'll visit **Mountsburg Conservation and then Crawford Lake Conservation** if there is time.

<http://www.conservationhalton.ca/park-details?park=mountsburg>

<http://www.conservationhalton.ca/park-details?park=crawford-lake>