



MCC **SNAPSHOT**- August 2013

FROM THE MCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Planning continues for the upcoming year. Our first General Meeting will be held on *Thursday, September 5, 2013 at the Cawthra Seniors' Centre.*

COMPETITIONS

Steve Balke recently sent out a questionnaire to learn what changes members would like to see in the way competitions are organized and run. The feedback will be used, together with information from other Clubs, to help improve our competitions.

WEBSITE

For the past several months, Efraim Perl and Holly Lumley have been working with our website developer on much-needed changes and improvements in our website. During the week of July 29th, Efraim will update the Board of Directors on the progress of this work.

MCC CLUB LOGO

In the near future, Marty Pinker will be inviting members to submit a design for a new, more modern, club logo. This logo will be used to give club communications a more uniform look.

60th YEAR FOR THE MISSISSAUGA CAMERA CLUB

Ideas on how we might celebrate the Club's 60th birthday during 2014, will be sent out shortly. Suggestions from members will certainly be welcomed

SAVE THE DATE . . .

McMICHAEL COLLECTION: ANSEL ADAMS & EDWARD BURTYNSKY

We are planning a group outing to this exhibit on **Saturday September 21**, followed by a walk on the trails. More details to follow. Members who cannot make this date can get a discounted entry by showing their MCC card.

<http://www.mcmichael.com/adams-burtynsky/ansel-adams.html>

Contact **Marty Pinker** (pinker@sympatico.ca) for further details.

MCC FALL AWAY OUTING

The "**FALL AWAY OUTING**" is to be held in the Kitchener Waterloo area, on **September 29th & 30th**. Details on the outing will be published shortly.

Fred Dixon



MCC'S GOT TALENT SUMMER COMPETITION:

A reminder that the theme for this competition is:

TRAINS, PLANES OR AUTOMOBILES

You have the remainder of the summer to create your image. The closing date for submissions is **September 19, 2013**. Following submission of your image there will be a \$5 fee due which is for prize monies. This is a People's Choice competition so images will be posted on the club's Facebook page and members will be invited to vote for First, Second and Third place winners.

**Note: Submission details have changed. The image naming convention is now as follows:
"Your name_title of your image"**

Submit your entry to: gottalent@mississaugacameraclub.ca.

Entries are already coming in, so now's the time to get shooting! Your unique entry number will be given on payment of your \$5 entry fee in September.

Marty, Sorin and Marcus

Your Facebook Team



WORKSHOPS FOR 2013 - 2014

Date	Topic	Presenter
Saturday October 26th	Nature Photography	Steve Balke
Saturday November 9th	Video post-production in i-Movie	Ursula Tweddle
Tuesday Nov. 26th evening	Night Photography and Painting with Light	Bruce Kennedy
Saturday January 25th	Architecture Photography	Kevin White
Saturday February 8th	ADVANCED topics for editing tools - for example: Layers, Masking, Compositing, etc.	Doug Johnston
Saturday February 22nd	Landscape Photography	Fred Dixon
Saturday March 8th	Black & White Photography	Dave Penty
Saturday April 19th	Macro Photography	Larry Jewett

Kevin White



THEME COMPETITIONS 2013 - 2014

Digital Themes:

Something funny: Make us smile or laugh.

Negative space: Negative Space is the space around the subject of the photograph which used properly can enhance the composition or be as interesting as the subject itself.

This is a more challenging topic. Good reference links include:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Negative_space

<http://www.photographymad.com/pages/view/understanding-and-using-negative-space-in-photography>

<http://digital-photography-school.com/minimalism-using-negative-space-in-your-photographs>.

Bob Mongrain

Print Themes:

Patterns in nature: Patterns in nature are visible regularities of form found in the natural world. These patterns recur in different contexts these include symmetries, trees, spirals, meanders, waves, foams, arrays, cracks and stripes. Patterns can be symmetric or asymmetric.

In symmetric patterns, both sides of the axis are the same as in a mirror image.

Example: Leaves of plants, orchids, snowflakes, starfish, the head of an animal or man.

Patterns would include spirals, as in flower-heads, Aloe, waves, or ripples in water, sand dunes in the desert, soap bubbles, tiles. Honeycombs, fish scales, cracks, spots, or stripes, in animals like zebras, leopards or butterflies or fish could also be different natural patterns. The idea is to portray any form of natural pattern in either the living or non-living world.

Green: The word green comes from the Middle English and Old English word grene, which, like the German word grün, has the same root as the words grass and grow. Green is the color you see when you look at light with a wavelength up to blue, yellow or cyan.

The idea is to portray any shade of green in at least 50% of the picture. Pictures will be judged based on the presence of this color in nature, or any man-made objects that are portrayed in the image. This gives the photographer lots of opportunities to take shots of people, buildings, sylvan landscapes, festive clothing on St. Patrick's Day, etc.

Monish Ghosh



LET IT BREATHE - NEGATIVE SPACE

*" It took me 30 years to figure out what not to play "
Duke Ellington*

Often the most overlooked aspect of design, negative space is like the air that we breathe. . . we can't do without it! I like to think of it as a positive force, as it adds so much to our work by doing so little. It can make the difference between good and great.

Negative space should act as a balance to your subject or point of interest. Not unlike opposites attracting (- & +'s). A great way to learn how space plays a role in design is to look at other simple images you admire.

Next time you are sharing an image you're proud of, if someone suggests 'cropping' or 'filling the frame', tell them quite boldly, "I like it that way! It took me 30 years to let it breathe!"

Rob Kennedy

Note: Rob is a former member of the MCC. He writes a monthly newsletter which you can receive by registering at: www.robkennedyphotos.com



PHOTO OPPS IN AUGUST . . .

Revised

Aug 2 - 5 - TD IRIE Music Festival - Nathan Phillips Square

Celebration of music from Reggae to Salsa, Soul to African; dance from the African Diaspora presented in association with dance Immersion, spoken word, visual arts exhibition, delicious tropical food & drinks and more. <http://iriemusicfestival.com>

Aug 3 - Caribbean Carnival Parade (formerly Caribana).

<http://torontocaribbeancarnival.com>

Aug 3 - 5 - Pirate Festival - Country Heritage Park - Milton*

*Tickets required. <http://thepiratefestival.com/>

Aug 9 - 11 - Taste of the Danforth. <http://tasteofthedanforth.com/tasteofthedanforth.php>

Aug 10 - Mississauga ITALFEST™ 2013 Noon - 10:00 pm Celebration Square, Mississauga

Aug 9 – 11 Scottish Festival - Fergus, Ont.*

*Tickets required. <http://www.fergusscottishfestival.com/>

August 10th & 11th - Heavy Horse Field Days - Country Heritage Park - Milton*, 11:00pm to 5:00pm.

*Tickets required. <http://countryheritagepark.com/events>

Aug 16 - Sept 2 - CNE. <http://theex.com/>

Aug 16 – 17 - South Asia Heritage Festival - Celebration Square Mississauga
www.mosaicfest.com

Aug 16-18 - York-Eglinton International Street Festival

This festival is a family event providing international experiences that include Caribbean, Italian, Portuguese, Latin to name a few.

- Friday, Aug 16: 11am-9pm *Lead-Up Sidewalk Sale*
- Saturday, Aug 17: 11am-11pm
- Sunday, Aug 18: Noon-6pm
- festival is along Eglinton Street West between Marlee Street to Dufferin Street.
- Street closures: Oakwood Ave. to Dufferin St.
- <http://www.internationalstreetfest.com/>

Aug 16-18 - Philippines Festival - Harbourfront

Mabuhay Philippines Festival is one of the largest celebrations of Philippines' heritage and arts in Toronto. Enjoy traditional and contemporary Filipino culture over three days.

Aug 16 - 18 - Port Credit BuskerFest

<http://www.portcreditbuskerfest.com/>

Aug 23-25 - Telus TaiwanFest - Harbourfront

<http://www.taiwanfest.ca/>

Aug 23 - 26 - Toronto Busker Fest

<http://torontobuskerfest.com/>

August 24th & 25th - American Civil War Re-enactment -

Country Heritage Park - Milton* - 10:00am to 5:00pm*

*Tickets required. <http://countryheritagepark.com/events>



REMEMBER TO SUBMIT YOUR IMAGES TO SHOW-OFF

A new initiative from the Program Team.

SHOW-OFF

NEW!

MCC MEMBERS!

SHOW OFF WITH YOUR FAVOURITE PICTURES

SHORT SHOW TEASERS AS MEETING OPENERS

SUBMIT SHORT SHOWS 2-4 MINUTES MAX

SHOW OFF SEGMENTS WILL BE SHOWN AT RANDOM
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

A fun spin to what we love to do.. Submit a SHORT slideshow
5-20 slides, whatever will fit into one short piece of music.

No theme is necessary .

Images need not be competition quality.

Submit your passion, be it a pet, a baby, a holiday, or just random
favourites. anything goes, IT'S YOUR STAGE!

SUBMISSIONS CAN BE WITH OR WITHOUT MUSIC

if desired I can assemble your show. please contact HILARIE
for details

PLEASE SUBMIT TO HILARIE1@SYMPATICO.CA BY MID AUGUST

