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And the Award goes to...

Graham Brown

The Canadian Association for Photographic Art (CAPA) is a national organization of Canadian camera clubs and individual memberships. The organization represents over 90 clubs and 1,3000 individual members.

On an annual basis, the association recognizes individuals who have provided significant support and service to their member club.

This Years Winner is Graham Brown.

Graham was born and raised in Ottawa by his loving parents. Raised mostly by his mom as she became a widow when Graham was just four years old. His love for photography began as a young man when his mother bought him a small camera for a job at the National Harbor Board in Churchill Manitoba. After developing his first roll of film he was shocked that there wasn't much difference between his pictures and those that his friends had taken with a much more expensive camera. He was hooked! At the age of twenty-one, Graham was hired by Imperial Oil. It wasn't too long before he was promoted to sales representative with his own territory to manage. After being transferred to several different cities in Ontario, Graham finally settled with his family in Windsor. He raised a beautiful family with his wife Helen and had three wonderful children.

His passion for photography grew stronger and, in his forties, he decided to take a Wedding Photography course from a local wedding photographer. He began photographing weddings and taking portraits of anyone that would pose for him! He often photographed his children and their friends but always took pictures of his lovely wife. A proud grandfather, Graham always took joy in photographing his six cherished grandchildren. Using the basement, otherwise known as the dark room to develop his black and white photos.

He was lucky to retire when he was fifty-five and had much more time to dedicate to photography and continued to do weddings and family portraits.

In 2004, at the young age of 66, he joined the Windsor Camera Club. His first role was the Contact Editor. He has been a very active member, always welcoming & recognizing new members at meetings, producing many of the club's event flyers, and being a mentor to many. Known as Mr. Warbler, he has made it his mandate to organize the club's annual bus trip to Point Pelee to capture images of the bird migration. He has served as Club President on 3 different occasions and is currently the acting President at Large.

Graham passed his love for photography on to his grandson Derek and they have been able to enjoy recent adventures together to Antarctica and Africa.

Most days you can find him walking trails in search of wildflowers to photograph, a love of flowers and nature he inherited from his mother.

Congratulations Graham!!!

"Keep Smiling"

The CAPA DIGITAL SALON 2024

Canadian Association For Photographic Art (CAPA) DIGITAL SALON was held.

The CAPA DIGITAL SALON is not just a competition; it is a celebration of creativity, innovation, and the boundless possibilities of photography.

There were 4,457 Images submitted from 38 different Countries

There were 1,292 Acceptances across the 5 categories (Open Advanced, Open Novice, Mono, Nature and Fine Art)

Awards

Alan Defoe (Canada) CAPA HONORABLE MERIT Osprey Shocks Its Prey

Sherry Butts (Canada)
CAPA 3RD MERIT DISTINCTION
Naples Pier Open Monochrome

Acceptances

Brent Groh 12 Sherry Butts 10 Alan Defoe 9 Claude Gauthier 6 Lillian Dajas 6

WCC Members who participated should each feel very proud of their participation and accomplishments in a competition of this magnitude and stature.



GDCCC Digital Results October 2024

Congratulations to All

Color General - Salon 1st, Alan Defoe, "Hidden Glacier" (score of 27) *Perfect Score*

1st, Larry Zavitz, "Dahlia #5" (score 27) *Perfect Score* 2nd, Laura Strilchuck, "Rebecca" (score of 26)

Color General - Beginner 2nd, Arlene Kochaniec, "Walking Thru the Cistern" (score 25)

2nd, Katherine Beaumont, "Detroit Distellery" (score 25)

3rd, Caroline Tanchioni, "Rebecca D" (score of 24)

3rd, Sherry Butts, "Fox Theatre" (score 24)

Creative - Salon

2nd, Maria Guadalupe Amaya, "Eternal Life" (score of 22) Creative - Advanced 2nd, Doug Myers, "Lunch on the Way" (score of 25)

Color General - Advanced

2nd, Lillian Dajas, "Tulip Fantasy" (score 25)

1st, Brian Masters, "Great Ape" (score of 26) Monochrome - Advanced

1st, Alan Defoe, "Soaring Snowy Egret" (score of 26) 2nd, Doug Myers, "Stormy Skyline" (score 25)

Monochrome - Beginner

1st, Theresa Tessier, "Mountain Reflection" (score of 27) *Perfect Score* 2nd, Sherry Butts, "Fork and Spoon" (score of 26)

3rd, Stephen Biro, "Memories of Bodie" (score of 25) 3rd, Brian Cowan, "The Golden Years 2" (score of 25 **Nature - Galaxy**

2nd, Charles Wilson, "Snowy Egret Fishing" (score of 24) **Nature - Star**

Nature - Beginner

3rd, Graham Brown, "Star Elephants" (score of 24) Nature - Advanced

2nd, Laura Strilchuck, "Yellow Finches" (score of 26) 3rd, Claude Gauthier, "Tree Swallow Squatters" (score 25)

3rd, Doug Myers, "Prothonotory Warbler" (score 25)

2nd, Sherry Butts, "Osprey" (score of 26) 3rd, Theresa Tessier, "Willet in Flight" (score of 25)

GDCCC Print Results October 2024 Congratulations to All

Grosse Pointe Print Competition– August 29th, 2024

Windsor Camera Club entered 14 Prints (9 colour and 5 Monochrome). 7 of the 14 images entered, won. (Our club could have entered up to 10 in both Color and Monochrome). Imagine the outcomes if WCC entered more Prints.

Color Category

- 1st, Doug Myers, "Dirt Bike Dare Devil" (score of 26) 2nd, Willy VanAudenaer, "Early Morning" (score of 23) 3rd, Joseph Van Wissen, "John G. Munsen" (score of 23) 3rd, Alan Defoe, "Tri Coloured Heron" (score of 23)
- **Monochrome Category**
- 1st, Willy Van, "Chateau De Frontenac" (score of 26) 1st, David Brown, "Pitch Perfect Ear" (score of 25)
- 1st, Alan Defoe, "Stutfield Glacier" (score of 24)

Windsor Camera Club Presents

William Smith: How To Take Photos Like The Pros

Windsor Camera Club Program Tuesday, November 5th, 2024

Guests Welcome!

Gethsemane Lutheran Church 1921 Cabana Rd. W. Doors open 6:45, Start 7:30



Bill is a former sales associate at Henrys and St. Clair College Digital Instructor. Learn some photography tips to improve your shots!

Print Nature





Linda Menard-Watt Scarlet Ibis Fishing 1st place, SILVER 87.5 points

Print Monochrome





Alan Defoe Close Call in Mid-Air 1st Place, GOLD 87.7 points

Linda Menard-Watt F.Red-winged Blackbird Sings 1st Place, SILVER 86.5 points



Print Open



Doug Myers Nevada Ghost Town 1st Place, GOLD 85.7 points



Willy VanAudenaer Chinese Bridge 1st place, GOLD 85.7 points





David Brown 45 Years a Front Liner 1st Place, SILVER 81.7 points

Digital Altered Reality



Brent Groh Street Dancer 1st Place, GOLD 85.0 points

Maria Amaya Evolution Of An Iris 1st Place, SILVER 87.3 points



Digital Nature





Stephen Biro Robin Snack Time 1st Place, GOLD 90.7 points







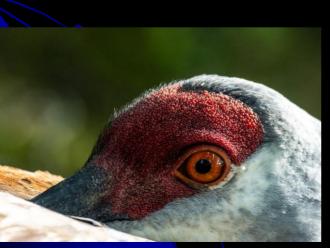
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Digital Nature



Doug Myers Fire Orange Skimmer 2nd Place, GOLD 87.0 points





Susan Green Sandhill Crane Watching 2nd Place, BRONZE 85.3 points



Digital Monochrome





Doug Myers Bianca 1st Place, GOLD 85.0 points







Susan Green Paddington Morning Train 1st Place, BRONZE 77.7 points





Laura Strilchuck Iconic Lake Louise 1st Place, GOLD 85.3 points







Susan Green
Baker St Train Watching
1st Place, BRONZE 85.0 points





Doug Myers Rainbow Point Bryce 2nd Place, GOLD 85.0 points





Palmer Johnson Bianca-1 2nd Place, SILVER 82.0 points





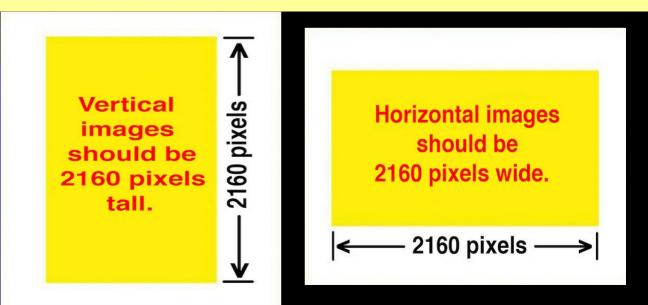
Theresa Tessier Colorado River Dory HM, GOLD 84.0 points

Arlene Kochaniec Trick or Treat! HM,SILVER 81.7 points



Preparing and Submitting Images for Competition

- 1. Ensure Horizontal Images are 2160 pixels wide and Vertical Images are 2160 pixels tall. The resolution doesn't matter; it's the pixel dimensions that are important.
 - 2. Make sure that your titles have 25 characters or less (including spaces but not including the "jpg" suffix).
 - 3. To submit images, go to our Visual Pursuits website, log in, and select "Submit Images to a competition" from the "Competitions" menu. You can watch the video "How to Submit Images to a Competition" to assist you.
 - 4. In each Monthly Competition, a Member may enter / submit a maximum combination of four images (Print and Digital), provided a minimum of 1 entry is a Print. Otherwise, a Member can enter a maximum of 3 Digital Images
 - 5. For help with submitting images, contact any of the listed Mentors on the next page.



Mentors

WCC member who are willing to help our members learn to improve their images

Alan Defoe Basic Lightroom, Photoshop & Elements, Birds & Landscapes

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