

# **Information for Members**

# Meetings

**During the months of November, January, and February,** virtual meetings are held from 7:00-9:00 pm on the fourth Tuesday using Zoom. A monthly event will be created in our Facebook group, under the Events tab where you can find the Zoom call-in details.

**During all other months except August and December,** meetings are held at the Penticton Community Centre on Power Street from 7:00 - 9:00pm, (doors open at 6:30 pm) on the fourth Tuesday. The additional half-hour at the beginning allows for some social interaction between members.

Meetings are structured as below, except for those occasions where either we do not have a guest speaker, or the scheduled workshop is expected to take longer than what is typically allocated.

Executive update

Guest speaker/Presentation

Presentation Q & A

Assignment photos review

Open category photo review

**Evaluation category** 

Closing

**Total** Meeting Time

2.0 Hours

### Photo Walks

Photo walks provide members the opportunity to explore new surroundings and create unique photographs. These walks are usually outdoors in the spring, summer, and fall and are typically held on the weekends and you may expect to see anywhere from 1–3 organized walks per month.

Photo walks are posted on the PPC members' Facebook Group at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/PentictonPhotographyClub">https://www.facebook.com/groups/PentictonPhotographyClub</a> under the Events Tab. The walk organizer will provide the event details, including date, time, location, meeting place and potential car-pooling opportunities if allowed by PHOs. The Event post allows members to indicate whether they plan to attend the walk and allows you to keep this information up to date so that the walk organizer can plan the event accordingly.

The organizer will create a Facebook photo album (See Album Tab) for the photo walk so that members can upload their photos directly into the designated album.

Guests are permitted on club photo walks; however, they must sign a Waiver of Liability Form with the club prior to commencing the walk. (The walk organizer will provide your guest with a form to sign.)

Our guided walks take us on routes over public, and on the rare occasion, private land (with the owner's permission in advance of the walk). We ask that members be respectful and ensure that they are leaving the location as it was when they arrived.

If you have been to some areas where you got some great pictures, and/or are interested in guiding a walk, please let the executive know and we will help you make the arrangements.

# **Assignments**

**Monthly assignments** are provided for the calendar year (except August and December) and can be viewed and downloaded from the "File tab" on the members' Facebook group. A laminated pocket version will also be provided to you for your convenience. Members can submit a **maximum of three** images each month for the assignment. Images are meant to be taken within the calendar year because this encourages members to go out and practice.

**Open Category** photo submissions may contain any photo that the member would like to present to the club. Members are permitted to submit <u>a maximum of three</u> (3) each month for the Open Category.

**Evaluation Category** photo submissions may contain any photo that the member would like to have evaluated. You may submit **up to two images** each month.

Photos are to be emailed to **ppcphotosubmission@gmail.com** no later than the Saturday <u>preceding</u> the club meeting. Photos submitted after this time will not be included for presentation to the club. If the number of photos submitted exceeds the maximum limit, the administrator will randomly pick photos to meet the required submission guidelines.

Images are to be submitted in .jpeg format and are to be labelled as follows:

"imagetitle\_photographername.jpeg"
e.g. PrettyPicture\_janedoe.jpeg
jpeg size for submission is
W 1400 x H 1000 pixels or 1400 pixels on the long side, 300 dpi

Please Do NOT watermark images in the assignment or open categories.

Please do NOT use the cloud (e.g. Google Drive, Dropbox, etc) to submit photos. You can send multiple emails clearly labelled as either Assignment or Open category submission(s) containing your images. If you would like your Open category pix to be presented in sequence, please clearly indicate this in the notes field of the email. Assignment photos will be placed in random order for presentation and evaluation purposes.

Photos submitted for either category will be uploaded by a designated member, to the PPC's Facebook Page under the Media / Album's tab before the scheduled Zoom meeting or after an in-person meeting.

## Photo Evaluation

In keeping with the Club's constitution, our goal is to provide a forum for members to objectively evaluate their peers' work and provide input for improvement. Evaluators are members of the club who have had extensive evaluation experience and/or training. A few examples of the evaluation criteria are as follows:

Impact The "Wow" factor

Composition Balance, Scale, Leading Lines, White Space Technical Quality Focal length, Depth of Field, Exposure Time

## Image Content

Images presented to the club must be appropriate for all members of the public to view, including children. Images perceived as depicting gratuitous violence, trauma, nudity, or any image that is degrading to an individual will not be considered for presentation. Members whose images are disqualified from presentation have the option of meeting with the Executive.

# Penticton Photography Club's Facebook Group:

PPC utilizes a private Facebook group for all communications.

We share photos, post upcoming events including photo walks and details about our monthly assignments, etc, here: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/PentictonPhotographyClub">https://www.facebook.com/groups/PentictonPhotographyClub</a>

#### About

This page provides some information about our group and some of the typical activities that you can expect now that you are a member.

#### Discussion

You will find posts from our members and executives regarding upcoming events, club announcements, as well as posts that members are making directly to the club. You will often see photos that members have posted directly. We encourage constructive feedback from our members regarding individual posts. After all, we are here to encourage and support each other in our photographic journeys.

### **Announcements**

Communication from the executive to members will be located under this tab. These include but are not limited to monthly assignments & meeting reminders. We encourage you to check in here regularly so as not to miss important communications.

#### Rooms

We are not currently using this feature but stay tuned for announcements for possible future club use.

#### Members

Your PPC executive uses this tab to monitor and manage group membership requests and current members.

#### **Events**

Information regarding upcoming (and past) photo walks, workshops, presentations, and meetings are located here.

Photo Walks: Photo walks are posted on this page. Any member can volunteer to take us to a designated site in hopes of getting some great shots. If you have been to some areas where you got some great shots, and/or are interested in guiding a walk, please let us know and we will help to make the arrangements.

### Media

**Photos Tab:** Photos that have been shared by members in their posts are displayed here.

Video Tab: The PPC currently does not use this tab.

**Albums Tab:** Each Photo walk will have its own Album and members are requested to upload their photos from that walk directly into the applicable album. The Assignment and Open category photos are also located here under the Assignment Title/Album and will be uploaded by a member of the executive team on your behalf each month.

#### Files

Important documents including our Member's Package, Monthly Assignments for the calendar year, a suggested resource guide, and the PPC's Constitution and Bylaws are stored here for your convenience and are available for download.

## Penticton Photography Club Contact & Meeting Details

Primary PPC Email: pentictonphotographyclub@gmail.com

Photo Submissions: ppcphotosubmission@gmail.com

Facebook Group: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/PentictonPhotographyClub">https://www.facebook.com/groups/PentictonPhotographyClub</a>

Meeting Details: Date: Monthly, fourth (4) Tuesday except August & December

Time: Zoom 7:00 pm-9:00 pm; in-person 6:30pm-9:00pm

Location: Zoom call details will be provided on the club's Facebook

group page each month under the Events Tab. Be sure to

check there regularly!