

# NPC Mini-Monitor

January 2023



***HAPPY NEW YEAR !!***

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## **President's Message**

To my dear friends and fellow members of NPC,

Happy New Year! May 2023 bring you lots of great photography opportunities. With a very active Executive Committee behind me, I hope that we can provide you with all you wish from your Club. If there are things that we have missed, please feel free to advocate for yourselves. We are open to ideas for Outings, Workshops, "Tricks and Tips". Our mission is to meet your expectations - we can't do that if we don't know what your expectations are.

With a very stormy holiday season behind us, I wish you all plain-sailing with your cameras in the days ahead. Do show us, through your photography, how you survived the storms. I'd be surprised if a few of us didn't have quite the Christmas we'd planned and doubtless some extraordinary stories will emerge. For now I just want to hear that everyone is safe.

With very best wishes to all of you and your families for a healthy and happy 2023.

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*Time to wear your masks again!*

## **JANUARY OUTINGS**

Submitted by Terry Carpenter

Hi Folks. We have two outings set up for January. Please see particulars below.

### **GLANMORE HOUSE JAN 12TH 2023 1:00pm**

Glanmore National Historic Site of Canada. Corner of Bridge St. East and Dufferin St. Belleville On.

Meet in the parking lot south of the building at 1:00pm. There will be an admission charge for Adults = \$8.00 , Over 55 = \$6.50, prices include HST. You can reserve tickets at <https://calendar.glanmore.ca/default/Month?StartDate=01/01/2023> or pay at the reception desk. This should be a fun outing with lots of photo opportunities. However please respect their rules and roped off areas.

### **CAMPBELLFORD 31ST. POLAR PLUNGE JANUARY 28TH 2023 12:00 noon**

This entertaining event will take place at Lions Club Park on Queen St. Campbellford.

*Supporting Campbellford Memorial Hospital*

Starts at 12:00 noon but recommend getting there early to get a good vantage point and parking. Because of the crowds we will not be meeting as a group but hope to see you there. Dress warmly for this event and take lots of pictures.

## **IMAGE SUBMISSIONS**

At the monthly NPC meetings members have an opportunity to share their images in club-produced slideshows, by submitting them for presentation in one of the following categories: Monthly Theme Photos, Photographer's Choice Photos, Outing Photos.

Members are allowed a maximum of two images in each of the Theme and Photographer's Choice categories, and two images per Outing each month. Naming your Images – Your images should be named with the title you wish to appear on the screen during the slideshow.

(Note: renaming a file on your computer is a straightforward process. Once the image is prepared, go to the folder containing the file you plan to submit and right-click on it, select "rename" and type in a suitable title without the ".jpg" extension and press "Enter"). Dropbox will automatically add your name during the submission process. **PLEASE VISIT OUR NPC WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS ON IMAGE SUBMISSIONS.**

## **HOW IT'S DONE!**

Suggested readings by "Point 'n Shooter" Russ Donaldson

**BLUE HOUR Photography.** Photographers love the blue hour, not least because it provides velvety, stunning, *ethereal* light. But learning to take advantage of the blue hour for gorgeous [portraits](#), [landscapes](#), and [cityscapes](#) isn't always easy. It requires special settings, special gear, and careful consideration of artificial lighting. The blue hour is the time just before sunrise and just after sunset when the sun is below the horizon and the sky (generally) turns a beautiful shade of blue. Blue-hour skies can also take on orange, yellow, purple, and pink hues. Blue hour is all-around wonderful, so don't let your genre of choice restrict you from heading out for some ethereal blue light. You can shoot moody street scenes or long-exposure architectural images. You can even capture gorgeous blue-hour portraits by combining flash and natural light.

Blue hour is especially suited to landscape and cityscape photography. It combines colors, clouds, long exposures, and flattering light – pretty much everything from the serious landscape and cityscape photographer's playbook. These types of blue-hour shots *do* take some patience and a bit of extra gear, but with the right approach, you can capture photos that really shine.

### **PATRICK'S TIPS**

**Submitted by Patrick Romano**

Holiday Season is here. Whether you are a church attendee, an out door person or suffering from Ontario's constantly changing weather and at times need something to do indoors, I am hoping these tips will help in your photography. Happy New Year to one and all! Pat Romano

-Magnifying Glass Photography: A Quick Guide - By: Megan Kennedy <https://digital-photography-school.com/create-artistic-photos-magnifying-glass/>

-How to Capture Gorgeous Holiday Food Photos (5 Tips) - By: Mat Coker [https://digital-photography-school.com/how-to-take-great-food-photos-holiday-season/?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Dec-0122&user\\_id=romano.pj@gmail.com](https://digital-photography-school.com/how-to-take-great-food-photos-holiday-season/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Dec-0122&user_id=romano.pj@gmail.com)

-10 Tips for Gorgeous Winter Landscape Photography - By: Christian Hoiberg [https://digital-photography-school.com/5-tips-better-winter-landscape-photography/?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Dec-0122&user\\_id=romano.pj@gmail.com](https://digital-photography-school.com/5-tips-better-winter-landscape-photography/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Dec-0122&user_id=romano.pj@gmail.com)

-5 Fun and Festive Holiday Photography Ideas (+ Tips) - By: Lara Joy Brynildsen <https://digital-photography-school.com/five-ideas-festive-holiday-images/>

-6 Tips for Breathtaking Church and Cathedral Photography - By: Christina N Dickson <https://digital-photography-school.com/6-tips-for-photographing-the-churches-of-europe/>