

Rugeley and Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

Saturday 24th October 2015

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Retrospective - Irene Froy - The Seeing Eye

To introduce Irene - Carole told us that we had a treat in store - and how right she was. Irene quickly proved that she really does have the "Seeing Eye" - something that some are born with, and some have to develop. Having been a photographer for nigh on 40 years - her first image was quite stunning - but one she openly admitted was a little "Point and Shoot" - and the judge saw more in it than she did. As she developed over the years - she realized that you have to get your priorities right - a lesson for all - if the image looks right - stop and take it there and then. The tea break can wait - as the light can change and alter the dynamic of the image.

Not only did Irene share some wonderful tips on photography, and some great stories that accompanied her journeys to take the pictures - she also advised on different papers to use. Titanium paper leave a hard image with it's silvery surface - but great for mono. Also wonderful to accentuate images where you have something shiny in it.

If you have a lot of empty space - use parchment paper to give the image some texture.

Along with her seeing eye, some judicious use of Photoshop and highly engaging stories of how the images were captured - we were treated to a great night that all members seemed to enjoy.

To conclude Carole thanked Irene for coming, and also George for booking her. Some of the tips could be used at this weekend's trip to Westonbirt. Especially if the weather doesn't play ball - don't let it put you off - as the light in-between showers is sometimes the best light that you'll get.

Upcoming Club Events

26th October - Club Competition - PDI

Barbara Lawton will be critiquing our 2nd competition of the year.

2nd November** - Mark Wilbrey - Pixapro Lighting Demonstration

Mark has visited us on a number of occasions to judge our competitions - he is a commercial photographer based in Wolverhampton. Mark will be demonstrating various Pixapro studio lighting set ups and offering guidance on setting up your own studio.

He will also be bringing two models with him and will demonstrate portraiture techniques, how to engage with the models etc. Members who wish, may bring their own camera / flash guns and practice the techniques that Mark has demonstrated.

**** VENUE CHANGE - for the Pixapro evening - we will be based in the main Hawkesyard Hall - in the room next to the lower entrance. Car parking is immediately outside and there are no steps to climb.**

Westonbirt Trip

Please meet outside the main hall - bus leaves at 8 AM sharp.

Irene Froy Workshop
Sunday 24th April 2016 10:30 - 16:00

**Wrekin Arts Photographic Club HQ, The Belfry Arts Centre, Wellington, Telford.
TF1 1JG**

Please let Carole know if you would like to go to Irene Froy's workshop. The workshop is titled "Photoshop - My Way" and is a day of tuition on how Irene achieves her pastel images. Colour correction layers, airbrushing, white layers and blur techniques will be covered, along with many tips.

Cost - £25 - including tea and coffee (although you will need to take a packed lunch)

Notes will be provided. Advanced booking necessary. Members can apply individually to Irene at Irene.froy@btinternet.com or Carole has offered to do it for all interested, money has to be paid at the time of booking.

Birthday Celebrations

Best wishes to the following members for their upcoming birthday!



Patrick Tracey - 30th October
Steve Setterfield - 31st October
Have a great Day!



Mountboard

FYI : David and Carole will be taking orders for mountboard on Monday night. Please see them with your order.



Apology

Competition certificates were meant to be handed out on Monday - but I wasn't able to produce them in time. They will be available for presentation on the 26th. *Glenn*

Coming Soon - Judge for a Night

16th November

Our very popular "Judge for a Night" evening returns in 3 weeks time. Members are requested to present their images (2 maximum) to David Perry on the 9th of November. (Same week as the interclub competition with Wolverhampton) It may seem far away - but it's not! So either get out there and shoot something (with the camera that is!) or go through your collection.

Newsletter Delivery

I've been informed by a small number of members that sometimes the notification email doesn't always arrive. I'm looking into this - meanwhile - please note that the newsletter is normally available on the website by Saturday lunchtime.

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