



# TORONTO DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

**TDPC Newsletter - September 12, 2023**

## Message from the Club President

Welcome everyone to our new club year. Our focus this year is to get us all out of the doldrums brought by Covid19 and to return to the activities that we all enjoy so much, making and sharing images - in good company. So, we are revisiting many of the things that brought us together in the past. More evenings together as a club, more outings, new special interest groups and the return of this newsletter. This is, of course, in addition to the regular competitions and workshops, evaluation groups and member showcases. This year our club life will not only return to normal, but, we hope, will have even more energy and a new life.

This club belongs to all of us. This is not the directors' club, nor is it an old members' club. It is the place where we all get to express our photographic inspirations, where we learn and share with each other and work to help each other to enjoy life through the lenses of our cameras. Let us all work together to make a great photography year for all of us.

Welcome to new members of our club who joined since January 2023:

Diana Valentine, Jim Wooler, Laurence Proudlock, Liwen Zhang, Harvey Rogers, Uwe Jarchoe, Nancy Salmon, Iam Tipson, Bruce Fisher, Brian Franck, and Susan MacLean.

- Max Wynter, TDPC President [president@tdpc.ca](mailto:president@tdpc.ca)

## First Issue of Newsletter after 10 years

In our club's 75 years of history, we published Quarterly Newsletters for about 60 years! Over these years, the size of each newsletter grew to exceed 50 pages. Probably, it became too large to create and to read and we stopped publishing our newsletters 10 years ago.

As our need for communication with club members is important, we are starting the publication of our Bi-Weekly Newsletters. We plan to make these short but timely newsletters of about 3 pages, to communicate about planned club events for the next few weeks and other important messages to our club members. We plan to make these newsletters available also to interested

non-members, to let them know our club's events, and perhaps to consider joining our club as members.

If any questions, contact Kelly Paul.

## Lecture Session on Tuesday September 19, 2023 at 7:00 pm

This meeting will be held at the Banquet Hall of Edithvale Community Center, 131 Finch Avenue West. Any non-members may come. There will be a cover charge of \$10 at the door for them. If any questions about this lecture session contact Arjuna Somaskandan at [programchair@tdpc.ca](mailto:programchair@tdpc.ca)

Lecture Topic 1: Jim Chung – Discovering Wildlife in Toronto's Don Valley.

Jim will do an introduction and personal journey description of his coffee table book on urban wildlife in Toronto: "Discovering Wildlife in Toronto's Don Valley". And beyond this, he will include photos from a recent moose safari and polar bear expedition.

Lecture Topic 2: Zunaid Khan – Ethical Nature Photography.

What is it, Why it matters, & What you can do.

Increased pressures on our green spaces and increased usage of these spaces in the pandemic have led to increased instances of wildlife disturbances. As a nature photographer and naturalist influenced by nature conservation and the practices of ethical nature photography, Zunaid Khan, will share his journey as a photographer, while addressing what wildlife disturbance is, its impact and what we as photographers can do to minimise our impact on nature while seeking to capture its beauty.

## Club Outing to Binbrook Rodeo on Sunday, September 17, 2023

Please join us for an outing to the [Binbrook Rodeo](#) on Sunday, September 17, 2023 at 12:00 noon at the Binbrook Fairgrounds, 2600 Regional Road 56, Binbrook, Ontario.

Binbrook is just past Hamilton and is about a 1:30 minute drive from North York. If you are interested, there is a kids' rodeo at 10:00 AM before the main rodeo starts. We will aim to meet just before noon at the main rodeo in the main grandstand.

Early-bird tickets for \$7.62 can be purchased at [Early Bird Tickets](#) or, tickets may be purchased at the gate.

Albion Falls and Felker's Falls are on the way if you would like to visit them also.

More info in our club website. If questions contact Rob Robson at [pastpresident@tdpc.ca](mailto:pastpresident@tdpc.ca) or Hanson Cheng at [programchair@tdpc.ca](mailto:programchair@tdpc.ca)

## Club Outing on Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at 7:00 pm

We will meet at Cherry Beach for sunset photography then go to the Distillery District for dinner around 7:30, followed by night photography there. More details to come.

If any questions contact John Weatherburn at [outings@tdpc.ca](mailto:outings@tdpc.ca)

## Photography Outing Suggestions

Edwards Gardens, 777 Lawrence Ave E, Toronto (10 am to 8:30 pm every day)

Flower Beds are fully developed and beautiful to visit. You may visit if you are interested in photographing flowers and gardens.

## Club Competitions

Freeman Patterson (Photographer's Choice) Competition Submission Deadline is 10 pm on October 4, 2023. It is an open competition and the subject matter is photographer's choice. Restriction: Zoology images (e.g. mammals, birds, fish, insects, etc.) are not permitted. Members may enter four images.

Nancy Fairley Photo Essay Competition has been reinstated this year. Competition Submission Deadline is 10:00 pm on February 7, 2024. While the emphasis is on still images, video clips are allowed and sound track may include narration, music and sound effects. The photo essay may not exceed 7 minutes.

Members and Non-Members may refer to a List of this year's Club Competitions and deadlines in the TDPC website Calendar. Club Members may refer to Competition Rules and Regulations in the TDPC website in the Club Library section.

If any question, contact Anthony Schatzky at [competitions@tdpc.ca](mailto:competitions@tdpc.ca)

## Special Interest Group (SIG)- Inspiration and Personal Style

A reminder to all the current members of the Special Interest Group exploring Inspiration and Personal Style, this SIG will run for 8 Wednesdays starting from October 25<sup>th</sup>. For additional information, contact Janice Balesic at [jbalesicc2@gmail.com](mailto:jbalesicc2@gmail.com)