

Landscape Photography

Photography



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WHAT MAKES IT MEANINGFUL

Getting to know your camera and becoming comfortable using it, is the goal. Photography is a fun pastime where you can document your feelings, ideas and creative ways of expressing how you see the world. Landscape is all around us. How you interpret landscape is up to you- city park, countryside, mountains and beaches and your own backyard!

Always keep in mind the foreground, middle and background in each of your shots.

Remember to take your time, listen for the beep for focus and shoot, stay steady for a few seconds before moving.

TIME

Using the landscape setting on the dial of your camera and head outside and explore. The amount of time spent is up to the photographer. Always keeping an eye out for interesting photographs by the time of day for light and weather can add to the mood of your photograph.

MATERIALS

- Point and shoot camera (\$100.00 plus)
- Some individuals may decide to use the phone cameras for photography and chose not to buy a point and shoot camera.
- Notebook and pen to write down ideas (\$3.00- Dollarama)
- shooting locations. Bus fare may be needed if not on foot. (\$6.50 return fare)
- Water and snacks



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INSTRUCTIONS

- Plan a day and time to go out and shoot some photographs. Your trip could be to a beach, out on a hike or a specific location that you've seen. Always keep a record of places you see that might be a great photo shooting area or site.
- Plan your trip route. Which buses, subway and streetcars and the connections needed to get to your location for photos.
- Prepare for your activity by planning where, transportation, camera equipment gathered and camera battery charged.
- Prepare for weather by wearing the right clothing for temperature or nature location conditions- hat, coat,
- Sunscreen, bug spray, water and snacks as needed.

RESOURCES

- care and maintenance of digital cameras
- making files for your photographs
- books on landscapes for ideas.
- constantly scouting out new locations for photographs.
- follow 'rule-of-thirds'
- carry your camera with your for those unexpected shots.

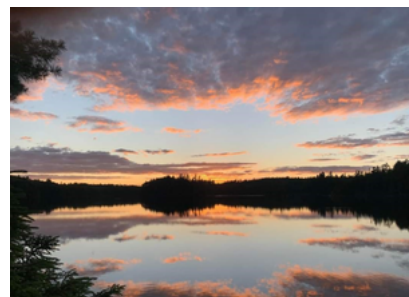
SUPPORTS NEEDED

This activity can be done alone, with friends or family or as a group activity.

OTHER THINGS TO NOTE:

- always tell people where you are going and for how long.

1. Get the light right- Setting the mood of a photograph can change with the right light at the right time of day.



2. Angles, Angles, Angles- Moving around the subject from different angles and different heights can change the focus and feeling of a photograph. Look at what is in the foreground and background. Look at framing the image. Is it interesting?



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OTHER THINGS TO NOTE:

3. Don't be afraid of shadows- Shadows can add drama and mystery to your photograph.



4. Think overall composition- Look at the overall balance to your photo, following the 'rule of thirds' - In photography, the rule of thirds is a type of composition in which an image is divided evenly into thirds, both horizontally and vertically, and the subject of the image is placed at the intersection of those dividing lines, or along one of the lines itself.



5. Personalize- Interesting photos have interesting things in them. When looking through the viewfinder or on the screen, think about the framing of the image you are creating.



6. Be creative- Find a point of interest and zoom in or zoom out as much as needed to capture. Move around the scenery taking shots from different angles and focal points.



7. Take multiple shots- Take many photos of the point of interest and from different angles and heights.

Creating imagery through your own personal experiences and ways of seeing the world around you is the pleasure and pride to share with others.



Here is an example of setting the mood of a photograph.



A landscape image can be expansive or focused on one area of interest.