

## Midland District Camera Club – January Competition Results

T = Technical, O = Organizational (composition), E = Emotional

Inter-Club – People: General

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Name	Image Title	T	O	E	Score	
Jacquie Black	Dress Rehearsal	8.10	8.03	8.08	24.20	1
Kristi Rose	Flower Child	7.93	7.97	7.97	23.87	2
Jacquie Black	Knock, Knock	7.88	7.88	7.83	23.58	3
Donna Stewart	Morning Break	7.03	7.18	6.98	21.18	
Doug Cundall	At the rink!	7.63	7.65	7.70	22.98	
Doug Cundall	Enjoying the canal in San Antonio!	6.73	6.60	6.63	19.95	
Heather Kertzer	Artist's Paradise	7.20	7.20	7.15	21.55	
Jennifer O'Keefe	Total Focus	7.85	7.73	7.80	23.38	
Jennifer O'Keefe	Bring it on	7.38	7.68	7.93	22.98	
Joanne Vanderleeuw	Going to Market	6.50	6.77	6.87	20.13	
Joanne Vanderleeuw	Indian Mala Maker	6.67	6.60	6.67	19.93	
Karen Short	The Sky's the Limit	7.53	7.53	7.35	22.40	
Linda Kulyk	Gossip	6.88	6.98	6.90	20.75	
Marjorie Dubeau	The Tragically Hip or Bust	7.43	7.60	7.50	22.53	
Marjorie Dubeau	Childhood fun	7.33	7.33	7.63	22.30	
Matthew Goldsworthy	Fiery Femme	7.93	7.90	7.65	23.48	
Matthew Goldsworthy	Focused on the present	7.33	7.25	7.35	21.93	
Melvina McCaw	Drum Major	7.88	7.88	7.73	23.48	
Neil Tucker	Good Friends	6.70	6.73	6.68	20.10	
Paul Attwood	My Toy	7.63	7.88	7.73	23.23	
Paul Attwood	My friend	7.38	7.75	7.83	22.95	
Paul Breslin	Christmas at the Cottage	7.05	6.98	7.10	21.13	
Sandi Tucker	Car Park Pirate	7.30	7.28	7.45	22.03	
Sandi Tucker	Hazing	6.73	6.73	6.83	20.28	
Terry MacPherson	THE VENDOR	7.43	7.43	7.30	22.15	
Terry MacPherson	Making the cut	7.50	7.18	7.28	21.95	
Tom Stewart	Toward the Rock	7.43	7.53	7.23	22.18	
Tom Stewart	Fiddler	7.08	7.30	7.48	21.85	
Vernon Jamieson	Happy Child	7.03	7.35	7.53	21.90	

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### Inter-Club – Still Life

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Name	Image Title	T	O	E	Score	
Marjorie Dubeau	This was Yesterday	8.03	7.97	7.93	23.93	1
Marie Richardson	Thread Snip	7.88	7.90	7.88	23.65	2
Joanne Vanderleeuw	Evergreen Elegance	7.83	7.90	7.90	23.63	3
Doug Cundall	Winter Fun!	7.00	7.20	7.18	21.38	
Joanne Vanderleeuw	Copious Candles	7.30	7.00	7.00	21.30	
Kristi Rose	Dino	6.70	6.57	6.50	19.77	
Marie O'Neill	In the Studio	7.20	7.13	7.30	21.63	
Marie Richardson	Red Vase with Flowers	7.63	7.45	7.45	22.53	
Marjorie Dubeau	bouquet of daisies	7.70	7.50	7.43	22.63	
Neil Tucker	The Easter Pig Came	6.35	6.40	6.43	19.18	
Paul Breslin	Natural Beauty	7.73	7.68	7.43	22.83	
Ray Neuhaus	Reindeer	6.95	7.00	6.93	20.88	
Ray Neuhaus	Soldier	7.10	6.95	6.73	20.78	
Sandi Tucker	Three Owls	6.85	6.93	6.75	20.53	
Tom Stewart	Open Book	7.58	7.75	7.70	23.03	
Tom Stewart	Tea with Lemon	7.60	7.60	7.68	22.88	

### Club – Moody: General Division

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Name	Image Title	T	O	E	Score	
Lynn McKenzie	beyond repair	7.95	7.70	7.45	23.10	1
Don Whitfield	The Race Is On	7.65	7.60	7.60	22.85	2
Kristi Rose	Peace	7.53	7.63	7.57	22.73	3
Donna Stewart	Head Down, Walk On	7.55	7.55	7.35	22.45	
Linda Kulyk	Soldiers	7.43	7.48	7.35	22.25	
Ray Neuhaus	cold day	7.48	7.23	7.00	21.70	
Terry MacPherson	Petulant	7.30	7.38	7.50	22.18	
Terry MacPherson	Grandma at 90	7.40	7.38	7.28	22.05	

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Club – Moody: Advanced Division

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Name	Image Title	T	O	E	Score	
Marjorie Dubeau	Lest We Forget	8.40	8.23	8.50	25.13	1
Juris Jankevics	Season.Close	8.35	8.40	8.35	25.10	2
Marjorie Dubeau	Rest Time	8.37	8.30	8.33	25.00	3
Doug Cundall	Hair!	6.40	6.48	6.18	19.05	
george Bartlett	Stormy Bay	7.13	7.30	7.30	21.73	
George Bartlett	Boathouse Eatery	7.38	7.15	7.15	21.68	
Heather Kertzer	The Watcher	8.10	8.05	8.05	24.20	
Jacque Black	Impending Doom	8.25	8.18	8.30	24.73	
Jacque Black	Wondrous Daydream	7.53	7.55	7.53	22.60	
Jacque Black	Moody Blue	6.95	7.03	7.05	21.03	
Jennifer O'Keefe	Dead Gorgeous	7.95	7.98	7.75	23.68	
Jennifer O'Keefe	A Step in time	7.30	7.35	7.48	22.13	
Joanne Vanderleeuw	Alone Time	7.77	7.97	7.63	23.37	
Joanne Vanderleeuw	Cup of Christmas Cheer	7.33	7.33	7.17	21.83	
Juris Jankevics	Fading.Ancestry	7.70	7.60	7.73	23.03	
Larry Radko	Teen Mood	7.80	7.75	7.73	23.28	
Marie O'Neill	Come on In	7.05	7.18	6.98	21.20	
Marie Richardson	Joyful	8.08	7.83	7.68	23.58	
Matthew Goldsworthy	Furious Sky	7.73	7.73	7.75	23.20	
Matthew Goldsworthy	As Memories Fade	7.75	7.75	7.63	23.13	
Tom Stewart	Remembering	7.45	7.58	7.65	22.68	
Tom Stewart	Deluge in Chinatown	6.95	6.75	6.63	20.33	

## Judges Comments – Moody

### **A Step in time** by Jennifer O'Keefe

Comments: The use of the sepia works well here. Their steps are timed perfectly. A little pixilated. nice grainy age effect with monochrome, good composition, mood is contentment change in angle to include more face. Wonderful story - even their stride in together; love that you can see that they are holding hands; might be a bit grainy, but it also lends to the mood of the photo; nice vignetting; nice that there is room for them to walk into

Tech score: 7.3 Org Score: 7.4 Emot Score: 7.5 Total Score: 22.1

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### **Alone Time** by Joanne Vanderleeuw

Comments: Crisp, clear and wonderful colours. The stars are starting to peak out and they add another dimension to the photo wonderful Georgian Bay bent pine on rock; nice sky with the stars and the bit of glow; nice perspective; nice crop

Tech score: 7.8 Org Score: 8.0 Emot Score: 7.6 Total Score: 23.4

### **As Memories Fade** by Matthew Goldsworthy

Comments: The different techniques used on this photo bring out the subject. The black and white background really help draw the eye to the person. impressive artistic approach with faded monochrome background, good title, lighting is beautiful, good composition look awkward with only one leg visible. nice editing - great use of monochrome with colour;

Tech score: 7.8 Org Score: 7.8 Emot Score: 7.6 Total Score: 23.1

### **beyond repair** by Lynn McKenzie

Comments: This is very eerie. The pops of colour bring out the dull, lifeless building. The sky is fantastic! nice HDR effect, great tatures, good focus and composition, emotion lacking maybe remove street sign. nice HDR; nice framing; nice choice of editing colours

Tech score: 8.0 Org Score: 7.7 Emot Score: 7.5 Total Score: 23.1

### **Boathouse Eatery** by George Bartlett

Comments: The photo is clear, great use of black and white. There is a lot of empty space that I think could have been cropped to add some more focus to the photo better cropping at top and bottom and straightening the horizon would create a quite dramatic photo, starburst lights are beautiful, like a beacon in the cold night nice composition; nice starburst on the lights; sky is pixelated

Tech score: 7.4 Org Score: 7.2 Emot Score: 7.2 Total Score: 21.7

### **cold day** by Ray Neuhaus

Comments: The photo is cold and crisp. I feel there is too much foreground that could have been cropped up a bit more to showcase the tree. good composition, not enough mood, brrrrr; nice square crop; nice trees leading you up to the sky; not sure if white balance was checked in this one; not much colour, but nice it works.

Tech score: 7.5 Org Score: 7.2 Emot Score: 7.0 Total Score: 21.7

### **Come on In** by Marie O'Neill

Comments: What's going on in there? I want to know more! The shot is set up to create an inquiring mood. inviting open door, nice depth to the photo, straighten the door, warmth is evident, lighten the top of the door with post processing to capture the detail a shorter exposure may have stopped some of the movement in the people in the background which could've helped in this case, there guy right smack in the middle seems to have only half a head or something weird; verticals are not vertical; soft focus

Tech score: 7.1 Org Score: 7.2 Emot Score: 7.0 Total Score: 21.2

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### **Cup of Christmas Cheer** by Joanne Vanderleeuw

Comments: There is a lot of great little detail here. The blurred background also adds to the photo. lovely shot; lovely depth of field; lovely bokeh; very nice crop; good focus on the balls;

Tech score: 7.3 Org Score: 7.3 Emot Score: 7.2 Total Score: 21.8

### **Dead Gorgeous** by Jennifer O'Keefe

Comments: A beautifully sad photo. The colours are amazing and the dead tree pops. super silhouette with lots of detail, subject really stands out, great colour, nice contrast, has pop, beautiful colours. nice title!; lovely mood; nice placement of tree; nice crop

Tech score: 8.0 Org Score: 8.0 Emot Score: 7.8 Total Score: 23.7

### **Deluge in Chinatown** by Tom Stewart

Comments: This looks chilly. The hail tells a completely different story and is not getting in the way of any of the detail. busy, hard to know where to focus, the rain is not enough to make the photo moody too busy nice colouring; good use of shutter speed to capture the snow moving; not sure what the subject really is; cropping is not working - 'living', 'open', street light are all cut off

Tech score: 7.0 Org Score: 6.8 Emot Score: 6.6 Total Score: 20.3

### **Fading.Ancestry** by Juris Jankevics

Comments: Creepy. Good use of monochrome and contrast. Just like the tombstones, the photo looks like it is fading away as well composition and cropping is good, monochrome is a good idea, good blurred background, overprocessed in my opinion great subject to show mood. nice crop; seems to be soft focus

Tech score: 7.7 Org Score: 7.6 Emot Score: 7.7 Total Score: 23.0

### **Furious Sky** by Matthew Goldsworthy

Comments: That sky is incredible. The clouds, the colour, there is a lot going on up there and it is fantastic. great colour, too contrasty, good use of enhancements to exaggerate sky. nice sky; nice that you can see the foreground;

Tech score: 7.7 Org Score: 7.7 Emot Score: 7.8 Total Score: 23.2

### **Grandma at 90** by Terry MacPherson

Comments: A sharp, emotional photo that captures her thoughts through her eyes. well exposed and cropped, great subject, overprocessing takes away from the great emotion, softer contrast would be more suitable like choice of B&W. nice focus on grandma; nice crop

Tech score: 7.4 Org Score: 7.4 Emot Score: 7.3 Total Score: 22.1

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### **Hair!** by Doug Cundall

Comments: interesting but not moody to me, grainy photo reconsider position of subject matter.

Tech score: 6.4 Org Score: 6.5 Emot Score: 6.2 Total Score: 19.1

### **Head Down, Walk On** by Donna Stewart

Comments: This is a very damp scene that maybe could have had the story told without the person in it. However, the person in the rain poncho reminds us of the damp, bleak weather. nice colours, good focus, nice leading lines, can feel the isolation, photo shows a lot of depth, good crop and composition lovely colours and scape; nice for depth of field; nice lines (path way and creek)

Tech score: 7.6 Org Score: 7.6 Emot Score: 7.4 Total Score: 22.5

### **Impending Doom** by Jacquie Black

Comments: The colours are incredible. The sky is fantastic. The photo is sharp and clear and vivid high impact, dramatic, beautiful colours, well composed, surreal shapes, strong image. Some interesting colouring... the sky so dark, yet the icebergs glowing; possibly some editing issues near the black tip; requires a resting place for the eye

Tech score: 8.3 Org Score: 8.2 Emot Score: 8.3 Total Score: 24.7

### **Joyful** by Marie Richardson

Comments: This is a happy, bright photo. The flower is very sharp and the babies breath that is out of focus adds to the yellow. well composed, good focus and exposure, great simple blurred background, bright, cheerful, a joyful mood great sharp colour in centre of gerber daisy; nice touch of baby's breath all around to add contrast; nice choice of background colour; nice depth of field; good rule of thirds

Tech score: 8.1 Org Score: 7.8 Emot Score: 7.7 Total Score: 23.6

### **Lest We Forget** by Marjorie Dubeau

Comments: The photo tells a story. It is well composed, colouris great, perspective works very well. great perspective, well composed, well focused and exposed, evokes great emotion, great colour nice low camera angle.

Tech score: 8.4 Org Score: 8.2 Emot Score: 8.5 Total Score: 25.1

### **Moody Blue** by Unknown

Comments: The sky and the different layers of blue are wonderful in this picture. I would have cropped the foreground out because the blurry rocks are a distraction. can feel the loneliness, isolation and melancholy, horizon is crooked, too much blurred rock in the foreground showed nice depth. unsure if the seagull and the log add or take away from the photo; nice how the blue of the sky flows into the mountains into the water.

Tech score: 7.0 Org Score: 7.0 Emot Score: 7.1 Total Score: 21.0

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### **Peace** by Kristi Rose

Comments: dramatic, well cropped, beautiful sunset lovely sky!; nice use of 1/3 - sky 2/3 water 1/3;

Tech score: 7.5 Org Score: 7.6 Emot Score: 7.6 Total Score: 22.7

### **Petulant** by Terry MacPherson

Comments: Such a sad face. I wish I knew what she was looking at that made her so upset. The use of light is great in this shot. well captured emotion, nicely cropped and no background distractions, pouty lips say it all, grainy; nice placement of child in photo; crop should either take off more of the top of her head or less

Tech score: 7.3 Org Score: 7.4 Emot Score: 7.5 Total Score: 22.2

### **Remembering** by Tom Stewart

Comments: I like the use of grey scale in this photo. I feel the edges are a little too washed out, but the idea of fading out the image is a good one. well cropped and wellcomposed, seems overexposed, a little too much white vignetting lovely special effects applied. nice subject; white vignetting is overdone; nice cropping

Tech score: 7.5 Org Score: 7.6 Emot Score: 7.7 Total Score: 22.7

### **Rest Time** by Marjorie Dubeau

Comments: Peaceful, calm, cold, quiet. All of these words describe the mood of this photo which is evident right at first glance. nice detail, interesting subject, good focus, good application of monochromatic.

Tech score: 8.4 Org Score: 8.3 Emot Score: 8.3 Total Score: 25.0

### **Season.Close** by Juris Jankevics

Comments: The mist in this picture is captivating. The colours, although not many, work well with this as does the over turned boat. beautiful lighting, soft tones, well composed, definitely moody, the mist makes it mood well captured.

love the tree in the fog; lighting is great; nice leading line with the boat and dock; lovely composition

Tech score: 8.4 Org Score: 8.4 Emot Score: 8.4 Total Score: 25.1

### **Soldiers** by Linda Kulyk

Comments: I love the reflection and the calm of this photo. The colours could be highlighted a bit so it doesn't look flat. reflections are nice, interesting subject, white sky is distracting, not enough mood serene mood. horizon might be out of level a bit; crop is a bit tight on the left, should've included the entire tree, or same space as on the right; nice mirroring

Tech score: 7.4 Org Score: 7.5 Emot Score: 7.4 Total Score: 22.3

### **Stormy Bay** by George Bartlett

Comments: The details are great -- the waves, the snow, the trees. I enjoy the sky on the left and right of this picture, but the middle seems pixilated. well composed and well

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focused, you can feel the cold, green water is cool, slightly overexposed, crooked horizon tough bright light with white snow; picture overblown; shutter speed must be set high enough because waves are nicely captured, but overblown snow is overpowering

Tech score: 7.1 Org Score: 7.3 Emot Score: 7.3 Total Score: 21.7

### **Teen Mood** by Larry Radko

Comments: This is a teen mood to a T! Captured behind the glass, everything about this photo tells a story great eyes, well cropped, good composition, great focus on the face, pensive and sad, nice artistic approach nice capture of 'teen';

Tech score: 7.8 Org Score: 7.8 Emot Score: 7.7 Total Score: 23.3

### **The Race Is On** by Don Whitfield

Comments: I am getting sea sick! Great waves and blue colours. The sideways angle creates the mood as well sense of adventure, fun and excitement, great colour, well composed good point of view. great action; pretty much only two colours but works nicely; feel a part of the action;

Tech score: 7.7 Org Score: 7.6 Emot Score: 7.6 Total Score: 22.9

### **The Watcher** by Heather Kertzer

Comments: This is a very eerie photo. The tree and the cliff create a very telling mood. eerie, ominous, good exposure, well composed, mist is great nice balance of a lot of line (grass) to rocks to fog; nice depth of field; nice placement of the dead tree

Tech score: 8.1 Org Score: 8.1 Emot Score: 8.1 Total Score: 24.2

### **Wondrous Daydream** by Jacquie Black

Comments: I love the glowing sphere. It is magical. I wish the top of her head wasn't cut off. back lighting enhances the photo, colour is beautiful, simple but well done, glowing ball is ethereal nice depth of field; nice bokeh effect; nice lighting on the eyes; nice framing; a bit too tight on the crop at the top

Tech score: 7.5 Org Score: 7.6 Emot Score: 7.5 Total Score: 22.6

## **People : General**

### **Artist's Paradise** by Heather Kertzer

Comments: Great perspective. Colours seem a little washed out. interesting, slightly overexposed, more impact if you had chosen 1 painter or eliminated some of the background Pleasing subject matter. lovely composition; love the view point - that you can see the artists at work and what they are painting;

Tech score: 7.2 Org Score: 7.2 Emot Score: 7.2 Total Score: 21.6

### **At the rink!** by Doug Cundall

Comments: The falling snow adds another dimension to this photo. The faces of the people are great too evokes emotion, colour and exposure superb, love the falling snow

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A family moment captured well. good cropping and filling the frame; good use of depth of field - we can see the others in the back ground but slightly out of focus;

Tech score: 7.6 Org Score: 7.7 Emot Score: 7.7 Total Score: 23.0

### **Bring it on** by Jennifer O'Keefe

Comments: Love the face, the colours and the water. The water spout going over her head is a little distracting well exposed, nice composition and crop, clear subject, tells a story captured a mood. lovely focus on the little girl; lovely lighting on the little girl; great depth of field; good layout; damn that one stream of water!

Tech score: 7.4 Org Score: 7.7 Emot Score: 7.9 Total Score: 23.0

### **Car Park Pirate** by Sandi Tucker

Comments: He has a story to tell! Could have been a little back to see his hair in all of its glory great character and subject, cropped too tight interesting study. great use of full frame; great subject; great moment!

Tech score: 7.3 Org Score: 7.3 Emot Score: 7.5 Total Score: 22.0

### **Childhood fun** by Marjorie Dubeau

Comments: This action shot is a lot of fun. The leaves going everywhere, the faces. Moms face is a little dark good emotion and fun, tells a story, background might be more blurred a typical fall shot.

Tech score: 7.3 Org Score: 7.3 Emot Score: 7.6 Total Score: 22.3

### **Christmas at the Cottage** by Paul Breslin

Comments: This looks chilly. The trees framing the photo are nice, but I wish I could see the people a little more creates a mood, tells a story, too much foreground, walk closer to the subject people don't show as being the subject matter. perfect Christmas card shot; nice framing with the trees; it sure is snowing out!;

Tech score: 7.1 Org Score: 7.0 Emot Score: 7.1 Total Score: 21.1

### **Dress Rehearsal** by Jacquie Black

Comments: All aspects of this photo are fantastic. I especially love the hairspray mist. nice soft tones, well exposed, tells a story, well composed Lovely use of lighting. great lighting, backlit but face is still lit nicely; great layout; nice framing; simple, but wonderful; great use of negative space; love the hairspray in the light effect; nose has a dot of white under it, that could probably be cleaned up

Tech score: 8.1 Org Score: 8.0 Emot Score: 8.1 Total Score: 24.2

### **Drum Major** by Melvina McCaw

Comments: Crisp and clean. The black and white work well and the light is nice in this shot. great exposure, subject stands out, nice blurred background, perfectly focused choice of B&W enhances subject well. nice composition; something is going on in the blurred background that is distracting or maybe too busy; although there is little emotion, it is filled with emotion; good use of square crop

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Tech score: 7.9 Org Score: 7.9 Emot Score: 7.7 Total Score: 23.5

### **Enjoying the canal in San Antonio!** by Doug Cundall

Comments: Great action, a little dark. Be mindful of editing, there are some clones in the bottom left that have not been fixed. interesting but a souvenir type shot, boat is too shadowed good for a travel image. tough lighting, a lot of shade;

Tech score: 6.7 Org Score: 6.6 Emot Score: 6.6 Total Score: 20.0

### **Fiddler** by Tom Stewart

Comments: I'm surprised how clear this photocame out considering the subject. You can feel the music great perspective and angle, nice soft tones,interesting, tells a story would prefer more area in focus. nice, interesting view point; nice crop/full frame; we see movement in the arm and the fiddle - unsure if adds or takes away from the photo;

Tech score: 7.1 Org Score: 7.3 Emot Score: 7.5 Total Score: 21.9

### **Fiery Femme** by Matthew Goldsworthy

Comments: Great use of light, clear. Wish the top of the fire was in the photo. dramatic, high impact, great subject, well exposed, conveys movement interesting angle. nice lighting, nice colouring and shadowing; cropped is a bit tight on the right;

Tech score: 7.9 Org Score: 7.9 Emot Score: 7.7 Total Score: 23.5

### **Flower Child** by Kristi Rose

Comments: overexposed in places, busy background try reducing depth of field,Â great subject, want to see the eyes, lovely camera angle. wonderful capture; great crop - not rectangular, not completely square, perfect for the subject; lovely details on the child, her lips, her eyelashes

Tech score: 7.9 Org Score: 8.0 Emot Score: 8.0 Total Score: 23.9

### **Focused on the present** by Matthew Goldsworthy

Comments: I like the simplicity of this photo. Her arm is a little distracting, but it clearly adds to the story. nice angle and perspective, nice crop, moody

lovely details where it is needed, the eye; great depth of field; although the arm is soft, that is a good thing; great lighting on the face;

Tech score: 7.3 Org Score: 7.3 Emot Score: 7.4 Total Score: 21.9

### **Going to Market** by Joanne Vanderleeuw

Comments: What a way to travel! Great colours. The reflection from taking the photo with the window up is a bit distracting interesting subject. great colours; tells a story; darn mirror- but lets us know where the picture is taken from; maybe a bit tighter of a crop at the top and right would help remove some of the vehicle the taker was driving in as well as some of the building and the antennas which do not add to the story

Tech score: 6.5 Org Score: 6.8 Emot Score: 6.9 Total Score: 20.1

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### **Good Friends** by Neil Tucker

Comments: Nice shot. The photo is sharp and clear but the light is a little dull pleasant photo, well exposed and cropped, nice simple background, more depth of field and her face would be totally focused a typical snap shot. nice crop, although the gentleman is in good focus, but lady seems a bit soft;

Tech score: 6.7 Org Score: 6.7 Emot Score: 6.7 Total Score: 20.1

### **Gossip** by Linda Kulyk

Comments: transported back in time. I wish her eyes were open, but with them closed, you get a completely different story here. good title, interesting subject, faces too shaded, good colour, quite busy watch for cast shadow/closed eyes. lovely backdrop for the subject; tough lighting situation, a fill flash may have helped here; too bad your main subjects eyes are closed; lovely shadowing from her parasol

Tech score: 6.9 Org Score: 7.0 Emot Score: 6.9 Total Score: 20.8

### **Happy Child** by Vernon Jamieson

Comments: Cute! I want to know what he is so happy about? What is he looking at? nicely cropped, face too shadowed, shooting from down more at his level would have captured the eyes better captured emotion well. nice use of square crop; brings a smile to your face; nice full frame; child's face seems a bit soft

Tech score: 7.0 Org Score: 7.4 Emot Score: 7.5 Total Score: 21.9

### **Hazing** by Sandi Tucker

Comments: tells a story, want to see the eyes a great facebook pic. focus is good; lighting is tough; subject is interesting; crop is too tight, clipped the wing on the left

Tech score: 6.7 Org Score: 6.7 Emot Score: 6.8 Total Score: 20.3

### **Indian Mala Maker** by Joanne Vanderleeuw

Comments: Love the colours and action here. Some parts seem out of focus. removing more of the right side may enhance composition. nice bright colours; Although the sign with "sex problem" is interesting, a tighter crop removing the motorcycle might be beneficial; the entire photo seems a little soft; there is something green in the bottom left which is distracting

Tech score: 6.7 Org Score: 6.6 Emot Score: 6.7 Total Score: 19.9

### **Knock, Knock** by Jacquie Black

Comments: A neat concept. Clear, and good use of light crop out legs, faces are grainy, interesting idea unique use of props and angles. wonderful subject/staging; nice lighting; a lot of negative space which works lovely;

Tech score: 7.9 Org Score: 7.9 Emot Score: 7.8 Total Score: 23.6

### **Making the cut** by Terry MacPherson

Comments: Good leading lines and colour. The eye is drawn from one end of the picture to the other. tells a story, interesting subject, straighten the photo, hard to know

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where to focus, 1 person with lamb might have more impact and connection with viewer wonderful story; love the lady (judge) speaking to the young lady; good angle;  
Tech score: 7.5 Org Score: 7.2 Emot Score: 7.3 Total Score: 22.0

### **Morning Break** by Donna Stewart

Comments: I like how you can't see the faces of anyone. Leading lines are clear and your eye is lead to the top of the peak. tells a story, good exposure, more of a documentation shot, low impact because there is no clear subject good perspective of the 'summit'

Tech score: 7.0 Org Score: 7.2 Emot Score: 7.0 Total Score: 21.2

### **My friend** by Paul Attwood

Comments: Very clear and detailed. Try to lighten up the mans face because he has a beautiful smile great emotion, nicely cropped and composed, the man's face is too shadowed shows the connection. nice full frame with a great crop; great light on the horse, too bad the man's face is all in shadow;

Tech score: 7.4 Org Score: 7.8 Emot Score: 7.8 Total Score: 23.0

### **My Toy** by Paul Attwood

Comments: I like the steam completing melting into the clouds. The picture is seamless and easy to look at. perfect exposure and focus, nicely cropped, eye catching nice crop/full frame; although the sky is wonderful, the smoke from the engine is lost in it, maybe a different depth of field would have shown more of the smoke;

Tech score: 7.6 Org Score: 7.9 Emot Score: 7.7 Total Score: 23.2

### **The Sky's the Limit** by Karen Short

Comments: Great colours. The sky is a little plain but you have done a great job taking out the harsh sunlight well cropped and exposed, a lack of emotional connection to subject because of the sunglasses good choice of angle. love the expression; nicelighting on her face; lovely contrasting colours with the sand, sky and water;

Tech score: 7.5 Org Score: 7.5 Emot Score: 7.4 Total Score: 22.4

### **The Tragically Hip or Bust** by Marjorie Dubeau

Comments: This guy is ready to go. I like that he is looking off in to the distance, he is ready to get going. The colour pallet here is good too good emotional connection, tells a story, well cropped

Tech score: 7.4 Org Score: 7.6 Emot Score: 7.5 Total Score: 22.5

### **THE VENDOR** by Terry MacPherson

Comments: too much foreground, focus more on the subject, she could have high impact lower angle was an interesting choice. good use of monochrome; interesting subject; horizon is not level;

Tech score: 7.4 Org Score: 7.4 Emot Score: 7.3 Total Score: 22.2

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### **Total Focus** by Jennifer O'Keefe

Comments: Great action shot. Bright, clear and captured at the exact right time great colour, focus and exposure, interesting subject, tells a story nice use of editing; nice colours; a bit of a tight crop - hand slightly chopped off; nice lighting

Tech score: 7.9 Org Score: 7.7 Emot Score: 7.8 Total Score: 23.4

### **Toward the Rock** by Tom Stewart

Comments: Great leading lines. The waves are very nicely captured. The colour seems a little flat. moody, nice stones in foreground, good composition, soft tones, mellow feeling good balance in photo; although that there is a lot of blue in the photo, it works (sky, water, coat);

Tech score: 7.4 Org Score: 7.5 Emot Score: 7.2 Total Score: 22.2

### **Still Life**

#### **bouquet of daisies** by Marjorie Dubeau

Comments: Neat perspective. The daisies are very much in focus, I wish the drops were a little more defined. great find, original shot, depth of field could have been just slightly larger, nice colour Good artistic approach to the theme. x

Tech score: 7.7 Org Score: 7.5 Emot Score: 7.4 Total Score: 22.6

#### **Copious Candles** by Joanne Vanderleeuw

Comments: The colours are vivid and nicely arranged. I think it would have been interesting to see more of the flame in the picture. Needed a stronger focal point. the eye keeps going from one place to the other without a resting place; crop is awkward in a few places, ie green candle;

Tech score: 7.3 Org Score: 7.0 Emot Score: 7.0 Total Score: 21.3

#### **Dino** by Kristi Rose

Comments: focus is good, you might have tried a head shot for higher impact with the body fading out in focus, Try adding more interest via background/lighting. nice attempt; nice lighting on eye and around the neck/shoulder, but overblown in the chest area; nice backdrop.

Tech score: 6.7 Org Score: 6.6 Emot Score: 6.5 Total Score: 19.8

#### **Evergreen Elegance** by Joanne Vanderleeuw

Comments: The focus of this picture is clear. The softened lights of the tree add a different element to the photo. lighting and shallow depth of field. nice depth of field (blurred background focus on subject); nice use of the rule of thirds;

Tech score: 7.8 Org Score: 7.9 Emot Score: 7.9 Total Score: 23.6

#### **In the Studio** by Marie O'Neill

Comments: This photo tells a story with the brushes and the painting in the background. I feel this photo is a little busy and could have some of the elements taken

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out and still be impactful. interesting subject, nice colour and good composition, good crop, nice slightly blurred background Create a stronger point of interest. nice having the completed painting in the background; good focus on tube of white paint, and bottom of the can, but loosing focus at the top of the paint brushes

Tech score: 7.2 Org Score: 7.1 Emot Score: 7.3 Total Score: 21.6

### **Natural Beauty** by Paul Breslin

Comments: This photo is very relaxing. The soft candles and the bright blue are soothing. I especially like the few blue rocks mixed in with the grey. nice soft lighting, focus on rocks is good, well organized, artistically pleasing Try a different angle to create more impact beautiful tones on the blue stones, love how they shine; nice glow on the table; nice lighting; nice cropping, enough space around the subject, and square is a good choice here; a minor correction, to move the middle candle over to the right slightly.

Tech score: 7.7 Org Score: 7.7 Emot Score: 7.4 Total Score: 22.8

### **Open Book** by Tom Stewart

Comments: I like the use of black and white in this photo. The book is very well placed, it would be interesting to see what the photo would look like without the different items on the table, tells a story, good artistic approach, grainy, cropped too tight on right Good use of monochromatic to create mood. perfect choice of monochrome; lovely tones, especially at the top of the book and the top right corner; good cropping choices - the long lines of the decanter holder and including the entire two sheets of paper on the table/altar; nice lighting on the pages of the book; nice focus

Tech score: 7.6 Org Score: 7.8 Emot Score: 7.7 Total Score: 23.0

### **Red Vase with Flowers** by Marie Richardson

Comments: This is put together very nicely. The contrasting colours make the photo pop. like the vertical format, nice colour, well exposed, a pleasant photo. nice choice of complimentary colours; nice depth of field; good focus; good use of the rule of thirds for the vase

Tech score: 7.6 Org Score: 7.5 Emot Score: 7.5 Total Score: 22.5

### **Reindeer** by Ray Neuhaus

Comments: I like the perspective of this shot. I wish the nose was more in focus instead of just the top and bottom of his head. colour is great, bokeh is beautiful, trying to raise the viewpoint so the focus is on the head instead of the neck work on depth of field/camera angle. great attempt; wonderful bokeh effect; fun picture; unfortunately not a long enough depth of field, therefore the red light and neck are in great focus, but nose and ears have missed out on the focus.; nice crop and layout.

Tech score: 7.0 Org Score: 7.0 Emot Score: 6.9 Total Score: 20.9

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### **Soldier** by Ray Neuhaus

Comments: The detail on this nutcracker is very clear. Taking it from the side was also a good idea, however, I wish the top of his hat was visible as well. good colour, good focus, cropped too tight top and bottom, move slightly to the left and get the shot more straight on with the tree in background try portrait composition.

nice use of the out of focus tree in the background; would've like to have seen the top of his hat; possibly a vertical crop would've better suited the tall soldier, which would've included his hat; nice lighting; nice bokeh effect in background

Tech score: 7.1 Org Score: 7.0 Emot Score: 6.7 Total Score: 20.8

### **Tea with Lemon** by Tom Stewart

Comments: The colours are great in this photo. The placement of the vase and the cup work very well. Because the tea pot is glossy, I was distracted by the reflection. tells a story, creates emotion, great colour, slightly shallower depth of field to blur the patterned blue and white bowl in background Love the bold colour. nice vibrant colours; nice staging; there is something in between the teapots that is distracting, might be sugar cubes, but not sure; love the reflection of the lemon in the mug, but not so much the reflection of the house in the teapot - but tough situation; the blue teapot has a smile on its face!!

Tech score: 7.6 Org Score: 7.6 Emot Score: 7.7 Total Score: 22.9

### **The Easter Pig Came** by Neil Tucker

Comments: This looks delicious. The flash however, is a little over powering and washes aspects of the picture out. interesting, tells a story, focusing on one egg or the 3 at the top might have more impact, hard to know where to focus focus seems soft, especially at the top; busy photo with a lot happening in the background (exit sign);

Tech score: 6.4 Org Score: 6.4 Emot Score: 6.4 Total Score: 19.2

### **This was Yesterday** by Marjorie Dubeau

Comments: This is a great composition. The after effect used works so well and everything is placed where it should be. soft tones, tells a story, original idea, nice artistic approach, well composed Sepia added to the era and mood. x

Tech score: 8.0 Org Score: 8.0 Emot Score: 7.9 Total Score: 23.9

### **Thread Snip** by Marie Richardson

Comments: This photo is very well put together. There are little details that are not evident right away, but looking closely, the thread in the scissors, brilliant! simple but nice original idea, love the bird scissors, well composed, good depth of field Good composition. nice clear focus on the label and on the 'eye' of the scissors; nice that the black threads are a bit soft, supporting the subject, but a bit in the background; point to improve on - with something like 'still life', something which has been strategically placed to be shot, make sure your backdrop in wrinkle free

Tech score: 7.9 Org Score: 7.9 Emot Score: 7.9 Total Score: 23.7

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### **Three Owls** by Sandi Tucker

Comments: The middle owl is very clear while the others are a little out of focus. I enjoy the focused owl looking directly at the camera. black background sets off the owls, nice textures, shallow depth of field does not allow all owls to be focused Add more depth. try different levels/heights. nice focus on the middle own, but soft on the front owns; nice lighting

Tech score: 6.9 Org Score: 6.9 Emot Score: 6.8 Total Score: 20.5

### **Winter Fun!** by Doug Cundall

Comments: What a fun picture. This is a great still life story. The colour and focus could be worked on a little. nice story, well composd, white background is too much with white snow stronger light source/change angle. fun shot, makes winter look fun!; photo is grainy even though it is very oversized; nice crop on the right, but too tight on the tree top;

Tech score: 7.0 Org Score: 7.2 Emot Score: 7.2 Total Score: 21.4