

13th Laurie Thomas NZ Landscape Salon 2009 Call for Entries



Resting Place, Shona Kibble APSNZ, Auckland, Honours Digital 2008

Start now, the closing date is 10 June 2009

The 2009 13th Laurie Thomas NZ Landscape Salon format will have one section combining both digital and slide entries. One trophy only will be awarded plus, at the Judges discretion, Silver, Bronze medal(s), Honours and acceptances.

Up to six entries may be entered, either 6 slide or 6 digital or a combination of both for a total of six entries per entrant.

All entries must depict the New Zealand landscape.

The Salon will be chaired by Don Pittham FPSNZ

ANPSNZ. Also on the Panel is Craig Potton, a name that has become synonymous with the New Zealand landscape.

The third member is Peter Wise FPSNZ. He is a past president of Nelson Photographic Society and a current PSNZ councillor.

This year the Laurie Thomas Committee will produce a DVD of successful images. Salon entrants will be given the option to purchase a copy of the DVD.

The Salon is organised by CPS in memory of the late

upComing...

April, starting to cool down, great for Autumn photography! Mark these following CPS events in your diary now:

Wed 1st Apr	7:15pm Workshop – Natural History with Pete Tyree ◆ 8:00 pm Guest Speaker Fraser Gunn on 'Night Photography' ◆ Deadline: Natural History #1
Sun 5th Apr	Field Trip to Little River
Wed 8th Apr	◆ 8:00 pm 2nd PI Comp. Judged by Witta Priester APSNZ◆ Deadline: Projected Images #3
Wed 15th Apr	8:00pm Focus on Flowers 2009 Slideshow and 'Antartica' by Annette Preen Slideshow
Wed 22th Apr	7:15pm Workshop Adobe Lightroom with Brian Milner ◆ 8:00pm 2nd Open Print Comp. Judged by Don Pittham FPSNZ, ANPSNZ
Wed 29th Apr	Deadline: Open Print #3 ◆ 8:00pm 1st PI Salon Results / Presentation

See cpsnz.com for further details on these events

Laurie Thomas Hon. FPSNZ APSA, a former CPS member who was a founding member of PSNZ and a gifted landscape photographer.

The Salon entry form may be downloaded from www.cpsnz.com



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Wednesday night at 8:00pm at the Riccarton Community Church, 44 Elizabeth Street, Riccarton, Christchurch.
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Diana Andrews

Your President for 2009

I joined CPS in 2000 and have been attending meetings every week unless I am out of town or have conflicting family engagements.

I don't feel I am particularly creative and so I get inspiration from others through competition, field trips and workshops.

I always have a camera with me and have learnt to appreciate light, landscape, people/portraiture and the macro world in my photography and satisfaction has increased hugely.

It is a big responsibility and a privilege being asked to step into the position of President and I am touched by the support of our team on the committee and the members of the club who are supporting the club and me in their many voluntary roles. We hope we have created an interesting programme in 2009 for you all to enjoy

I wish you all a good year, enjoying taking photos and seeing improvement, move out of your comfort zone, make new friends and have lots of fun.



Christopher Newman_{APSNZ}

CPS Field Trip Leader

Best known as our monthly field trip leader, which he says was his best reason for joining CPS in late 1993, Chris (Ulysses) Newman began co-leading trips and soon after took the helm.

He inherited his father's Kodak Retina, a 1935 bellows camera when he was quite young, which aroused his interest in photography.

In 2004 he triumphed by gaining his APSNZ and in 2006 he was the recipient of the prestigious service award. He has frequent successes with acceptances and rare honours awards.

Landscape is his favoured subject as expected, hence his great interest in leading field trips. He is not a digital photographer but prefers using slide film.

Clearly Chris is archly conservative discerning man to be treasured for the pleasure he brings to his field trippers.

Written by Virginia Gray

Matt's CHAT

Everyone knows how knowledgeable Matt from Photo and Video is and below is some info on the latest compact digital cameras.

Remember to take your CPS membership card in when shopping at Photo & Video to take advantage of their "friend of the store" pricing.

It's new release season on the compact camera front at the moment with even bigger zooms, High Definition movies and Waterproofing being the big buzz words manufacturers would have you lusting after.

Olympus has the new Aptly named Tough 8000 (image courtesy of olympus.com.au)

which offers up waterproofing

to 10m, shock-

proofing to

2m, operation

down to -10

degrees, a case

strong enough

to withstand

100kg of pressure, 12 mega pixels, a 3.6x wide

angle zoom and I'm pretty sure, although I

haven't gotten to it in the spec sheet yet, it

even takes pictures.

The sheer levels of what they now call "intelligent" automation continue to amaze,

although a recent family function served

to remind me of how much time I spend

resetting peoples cameras back to factory

default in order to overcome some sort of

odd behaviour.

Oh the joys of just a simple prime lens

and manual mode. I might feel like a cave-

man sometimes but at least I feel a part of

the picture taking process.

OOh and before I forget, go and check out

www.blipfoto.com where you are encour-

aged to post one and only one photo a day,

which must have been taken on that day.

It's like a wee pho-

tographic challenge

each and everyday of

the year. *Matt*



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Supper

We are requiring people to help with supper if you can help please email: Carolyn@fusiontrust.co.nz or add your name to the sheet on the noticeboard.

Photographer in a hurry

The photographer for a national magazine was assigned to get photos of an enormous forest fire. Smoke at the scene was too thick to get any good shots, so he frantically called his home office to hire a plane.

"It will be waiting for you at the airport!"

he was assured by his editor.

As soon as he got to the small, rural airport, sure enough, a plane was warming up near the runway. He jumped in with his equipment and yelled, "Let's go! Let's go!" The pilot

swung the plane into the wind and soon they were in the air.

"Fly over the north side of the fire," said the photographer, "and make three or four low level passes."

"Why?" asked the pilot.

"Because I'm going to take pictures! I'm a photographer, and

photographers take pictures!" said the photographer with great exasperation and impatience.

There was a stunned silence before the pilot said, "You mean you're not the instructor?"