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Professional Photographers of Central Ohio Click Topiks Newsletter

Rod Brown

Biography

Starting with the family camera years ago, Rod's love of photography has grown and become not only a craft, but a profession. His peers have recognized his work over the years with many state and national awards. Rod has worked very hard to perfect the art of photography, and has earned three different degrees in Photography. The most prestigious being the "Master of Photography" degree in 1985 from the Professional Photographers of America. He has also earned the degrees of "Certified Professional Photographer" and "Photographic Craftsman". He has won the "J. Anthony Bill Award" three times by having his photographs selected as "Best Portrait in the State of Ohio" and has had several photographs accepted into the Professional Photographers of America's Masters Traveling Loan Collection. Rod was announced "Photographer of the Year in Ohio" in 2003 and again in 2004.

In addition to Rod's expertise in the portrait and wedding photography fields, he has also won many awards for his "Landscape Photography". His travels to The Smokey Mountains, The Desert Southwest, and other areas have given him an extensive portfolio of scenic images.

Rod is also very active in photography associations. He is a past President of the Professional Photographers of Northwest Ohio, the Professional Photographers of Ohio, and is a nationally approved Photographic exhibition judge.



Awards and Honors

Master of Photography Degree
Photographic Craftsman Degree
Certified Professional Photographer
International Photographic Exhibition Judge
2003 and 2004 Ohio Photographer of the Year
Three times awarded "Best Portrait in Ohio"
Photography exhibited at "Epcot" in Disney World
Awarded 8 "Kodak Gallery Awards"
Twice awarded "Ohio CPP Photographer of the Year"
Five time winner of the "Buckeye Pictorial Award"
Twice awarded the "Environmental Portrait Award"
Three time winner of the "Fuji Masterpiece Award"
Two time winner of the "Tri-State Pictorial Award"
Two time winner of the "Regional Medallion Award"
Awarded over 300 "Merits" by the Professional Photographers of America

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Presidents Message

Our membership year has started. To those of you who missed our outing at the Shady Grove Picnic Area at Slate Run Historical Farm and Park, the social outing was a success. We had the best member attendance in years. Everyone seemed to have fun visiting, making new friends, eating, taking photographs and enjoying the picture perfect weather. I had the profound honor in meeting our newest future member and captured him on "film" perfecting his style.

Jake (or Jacob), as those at the picnic discovered, is an active 4 year old with a definite interest in photography. He frequently informed his father that he needed batteries for his camera, to me that indicated an interest in taking photographs. I even had



the pleasure of viewing one of his candid's of a nearby visitor to the park talking with his mother. Perhaps his father will print the image and bring it to the September meeting. I certainly hope so.

Thank You's go to many: Ace for his fire starting skills, Jim and Marianne for being there early enough to hold the Pavilion for our large group, Kerry and Heidi for the ball game they brought that so many enjoyed, and to everyone who brought covered dishes.

There were many opportunities to ask questions of others and discuss problem areas; some of them involved equipment, how to questions and how are you doing. To relax and enjoy ourselves was the order of the day and I believe that we accomplished our goal. My wish is that we become one big extended family and help each other improve our knowledge and skills. We are on our way to accomplishing this also. Rod Brown's presentation in September is one that I look forward to, his perspective on composition is obviously recognized.

One last note that we can't forget is to congratulate all of our members that placed so well in the WPPI competition and the PPA Loan Collection. There is a great deal of hard work and thought that goes into the planning of entering an image. Personally, I believe that the unwritten element of judging doesn't have enough importance put on it. Naming an image (The Title) seems to be a winning attribute. It has a great deal to do with the first impression, whether it is a shock or if it invokes thought.

Ron

2005/2006 Meeting Announcements

Sep. Rod Brown
 Oct. Julie Buscher
 Nov. Beth Forester
 Dec. Christmas Party
 Jan. Print Competition Judges TBA
 Feb. Linda Durham
 Mar. Round Table – Robert & Elaine Moderators
 Apr. Ron Kotar
 May TBA

PPCO Board meetings are generally held at 5:30, before the regular meeting. PPCO financial information is available to members upon request.

Rod Browns Subject

Rod Browns subject will be "Photographic Artistry."

Rod will speak about how he works through the Photographic process. Including A bit of philosophy, and a touch of technical.

Rod will also share a studio money making tip and some wisdom on how his studio deals with current issues and concerns.