

# Creative Photography Evening-Class for beginners

A comprehensive, solid grounding in Digital Photography; from mastering your camera to creating your own photo-essay. Suitable for beginners of all ages.

## Learning outcomes from this course:

Students will learn:

- How to take great photos
- How to master their camera and how it truly works.
- How to light their subjects
- How to shoot for any scenario
- How to edit their photos in Photoshop

**Week 1:** Understanding exposure. Apertures, Shutter speed, ISO. Know your camera: Camera modes and menus. Lenses: What you need to know.

**Week 2:** Using focus creatively. Depth of Field. Lighting for portraiture. Soft lighting V's hard lighting. Mastering daylight for portraiture.

**Week 3:** Composition: *Thinking photographically*. Educating the eye. Creating opportunities. Placement of elements in the frame. Rule of thirds. Textures, curves, creative focus.

**Week 4:** Class trip & learning Project: Create a short photo-essay using the elements of the course. Portrait, Landscape, street photography

**Week 5:** Photography: The power and impact of the medium in Journalism, Culture & Film-making.

**Week 6:** Introduction to Photoshop. File formats. Image adjustments.

**Week 7:** Edit your own images in Photoshop. Introduction to the toolbar. Fixing skies, foregrounds, and cropping.

**Week 8:** Reviewing the photo-essay project. Learning to critique your own photos.

**Week 9:** Demo: Using Flash for portraits. Night-time photography. How to generate your own portfolio.

Presentation of certificate of completion.

**Note:** *One of the classes will be conducted as a field trip on a weekend.*

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