# **IMPRESSIONS**

"Take nothing but photos, leave nothing but footprints"







Iceland, June 2012 Tour

New York City Photo Tour May 17th - 21st 2012

Impressions Newsletter ... "Photographic Safari of this Ultimate Metropolis"

You are invited to join us on a photo safari of the Big Apple, offering the photographer a wide selection of photo opportunities. Busy streets, architecture, bridges, parklands, and many other picturesque sites of

Manhattan will be the focal point of this tour. A few feature locations will be the 911 Memorial, High Line Park and New York from the Hudson. High Line Park will be a very unique experience as this parkland has developed from the old railway lines that ran through the Meat Packing District of lower Manhattan.

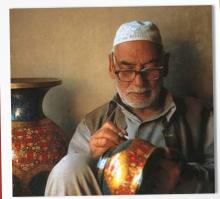
During our visit we will be staying at the Salisbury Hotel, offering easy access to Central Park, Time Square,



NEW YORK CITY PHOTO TOUR MAY 17TH TO MAY 21ST, 2012



ICELAND PHOTO TOUR
JUNE 15TH TO 23RD, 2012



INDIA PHOTO TOUR NOV 18TH TO DEC 01, 2012

### PHOTO TOUR TREKKERS

### "New York City Photo Tour"

and Grand Central Station.

We have arranged for some night photography time and a trip up the Rockefeller Centre tower for skyline images.

Dave Chidley will be joining us on the tour as my co-host. Dave and I have worked closely on selecting the locations we will be visiting and shooting during our trek and excited to share them.

Space is filling up very quickly for this tour. To register, view additional details, or download a copy of the brochure please visit PhotoTourTrekkers.com. The cost of the tour is \$1149.00 base on

double occupancy. Single supplement is \$615.00 we also have a limited amount of triple occupancy rooms available for \$1035.00 taxes are included.

Each day we will offer interesting challenges, one on one time is available. For additional questions you may contact me by email at <a href="mailto:jcowie@carlsonwagonlit.com">jcowie@carlsonwagonlit.com</a> or Shari Parker at

s.parker@carlsonwagonlit.com or by phone 519-679-8520 or toll free at 1-844-614-7717 ex 2223, for James and ex 2231 for Shari.

> "See you in New York" May 17th to 21st, 2012







Chrysler Building NYC

### New York Minute - Tour Details at a Glance ....

- Staying at the Salisbury Hotel close to Central Park
- Visit and photo shoot at the 911 Memorial
- Walking tour of lower Manhattan
- Visit to Radio City Music Hall
- Visit to Grand Central Station
- Photo Shoot at High Line Park
- Night shoot Brooklyn Bridge
- Evening Hudson River Cruise Statue of Liberty
- Visit to Chrysler Building
- Rockefeller Centre
- Time Square
- Little Italy
- Central Park Walk
- Photo shoot at Bryant Park
- Skyline shoot from Rockefeller Center Tower



Brooklyn Bridge Night Shot



911 Memorial



To register for our NYC Photo Tour visit our website at <a href="https://www.PhotoTourTrekkers.com">www.PhotoTourTrekkers.com</a> space is still available.

# Congratulations Paul Garner and the Leica Users Group Year Book on Blurb.com ....



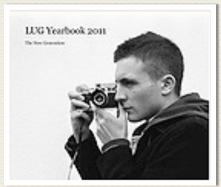
## CONGRATULATIONS Paul Garner



## **Congratulations Paul Garner** - Photography Cafe Winner

Paul took second place with this image titled "She's Mine" on the website Photography Cafe.

Paul shot this image on our Weekend with the Wolves Photo Tour in Montebello, Quebec. If you have never visited the Photography Cafe website be sure to check it out. There are some beautiful images posted by members.



Leica Users Group 2011 Book http://www.blurb.com/bookstore/detail/2889929

Snowy Owl Images .... by Len Silvester

These snowy owl images were photographed by photographer Len Silvester. Lens specializes in wildlife and sports acton photography.

These images of the snowy owls were taken up north, close to Barrie, Ontario where Len and his wife Katherine live.

When Len is not working on dog agility, or his other sports shooting he has developed a passion for capturing wildlife.

Len has now started to work with photographers helping them learn more about wildlife imagery. We are looking forward to working with Len on some upcoming Trekkers projects.







#### Leica users Group Yearbook

The latest edition of the Leica Users Group Yearbook for 2011 is now available on Blurb. Photos in this book have been submitted by 122 photographers from around the world including London's Scott Gregory. Many of you will know Scott as he has been on numerous photo tours hosted by Photo Tour Trekkers. Scott has participated in each edition for a number of years.

The theme of this year's cover is "A New Generation" referring to a trend of younger people picking up Rangefinder cameras and shooting with film.

The book is available on Blurb's website and is a testament to all the photographers dedicated to film. Worth checking out.



**POLAR BEAR PHOTO TOUR - OCTOBER 27TH TO NOV IST, 2012** - We are please to announce our second tour to Churchill, Manitoba to photograph the Polar Bears just prior to thier migration towards the artic. Tour details will be released the first week of April, 2012.

### Follow our Blog April 26th to May 5th



### Monument Valley Photo Tour: Follow the Blog during our trek ...

The group departs for Monument Valley on April 26th for our 10 day tour of this region of the southwest. Photographer Dave Chidley will be joining me as my co-host for the trip, sharing and offering up creative ideas with your photography.

It has been a tradition with all our tours that we do a blog during the trip. You are invited to follow the blog on <a href="www.PhotoTourTrekkers.com">www.PhotoTourTrekkers.com</a> and please feel free to post comments as you check back each day during the tour.

During this trip we will be visiting four distinctively different regions of Utah and

Arizona. Zion National Park, Monument Valley, Arches National Park and Bryce Canyon. It is going to be an exciting experience for the group as the photography opportunities changes with every mile we travel during the trip.

Next week members of the group that are joining us from this region will be getting together for the first time at a tour orientation presentation. It's always a great opportunity to meet your fellow travelers, learn about our trip and pick up their travel documents.

So mark on your calendar April 26th to May 5th and follow the blog as we travel and photograph the amazing landscape that makes up the American Southwest.





SPRING PHOTO TOUR - SUNDAY JUNE 3RD, 2012 ... Mark this date on your calender, we will be posting detials for our Spring Photo Tour the first week in April. Our day trips are a great way to meet other photogaphers and visit interesting locations that are close of our own back yard.

### Photo Tips and Friday the 13th ...





#### Adobe Elements User Tip ...

Elements is a great post

processing tool for all digital photographers and is one of the easiest and user friendly products in the Adobe family.

Elements has many features and are arranged in a way that is easy to learn and work though your different projects. Elements has three different modes, Full, Quick and Guided.

For this tip we are going to talk about using Elements to stitch together several images to create a panoramic print.

First open your series of images with Elements then from the pull down menu select File>New>Photomerge Panorama.

Then it will as you if you wish to use the open images or select a series of images. Since you have the images already open, select open images. Once you do Elements will go ahead and begin the stitching process.

Don't worry if nothing happens at first, this may take a few minutes depending on our file size and how many images you are assembling.

Once Elements has completed the stitching process, your panorama will appear on the screen. The first thing you will notice is there is some of the area of your panorama that needs to be filled in. Well that's one of the great features Elements offers, as soon as it finishes stitching it will ask you if you wish it to fill in the empty spaces of your image. Just click ok and let Content aware and Elements do the rest. This should work for 90% of your images, if you find you have some distortion you may have to do a little cropping afterwards.

Creating panoramic images are great fun and Elements can make the job very easy. If you don't have Elements 10 but still want to give it a try, you can download a 30 day trial version from Adobe's website.

### Friday the 13th ... Photo Opportunity Port Dover,

You have to experience Friday the 13th in Port Dover at least once in your lifetime and there are two opportunities this year, in April and July.

For the photographer, this is a great place to try many

different types of photography. If your interests are wildlife, birds or landscape, it's time to step out of the box and try something different, Friday the 13th at Port Dover is the place to do it.

I experienced Friday the 13th for the first time myself last year and the photo opportunities handed themselves to you as you walk down the street. So if you want to try something different make you way to Port Dover on Friday the 13th, and see what you can do with your creative side of photography.









### Iceland and India Tours





#### Iceland Photo Tour Jun 15 to 23rd, 2012

We are now taking bookings for our Iceland Photo Adventure which will take place June 15th to the 23rd this year. We will be traveling to Iceland via Iceland Air then cover the full circle of the island via motor coach experience the many photo opportunities this amazing island has to offer. We have selected some of the most photographic regions during our tour of Iceland.

Flying into Rejkavik is where our adventure begins. After spending the first day exploring the nations capital we will begin our coach journey exploring the fascinating landscapes of the island. During our journey we will be visiting the hot springs of Geysir and the beautiful Gullfoss waterfalls, the National Park of Skaftafell where we will visit Europe's largest glacier. Each day will offer up different landscape and cultural photo opportunities.

If you are interested in joining us on our Iceland Photo Adventure, space is still available but booking fast. There are 5 spots remaining for this tour as of March 31st.

You can reserve space by visiting the Trekkers website and use our online reservations form. If you have any additional questions please feel free to contact Shari Parker or myself at 519-679-8520 or toll free 1-866-614-7717.







#### India Nov 18th to 30th, 2012

The timeless mystery of India and a land rich with cultural experiences will be our November destination. This tour is set to launch and take reservations later this month. Durning our trek we will be visiting and staying in a Fort at Ramathra, this will be exclusive to our group. While in this region we will go out on Safari and experience the surrounding lands which will offer up many photo opportunities.

Other locations while in India,
Delhi, Jaipur, Ajmer, Bharatpur and
Agra. We have also secured
exclusive space at the Tajh Mahal for
full moon photography, then return for
sunrise. Our journey will be filled with

many photographic locations, culture experiences, historical landmarks, and urban landscapes.

The cost of the tour along with our other photo treks are listed on the last page of our newsletter.

As of March 31st, there are still 3 spaces available for this tour. This is going to be a great experience.







# 2012 Photo Tours



#### 2012 Photo Treks: Monument Valley April 2012: April 26th to May 5th, 2012

Often referred to as the Golden Circle Road Trip, this tour departs April 27th and you are welcome to follow the trek via our blog on the Trekkers website. Don't be shy post comments and messages to our guests we love to hear from you.

#### New York City Tour May 17th to 21st, 2012

Getting you close to all the actions, we will be staying only a couple of blocks from Time Square. This will be urban photography at it's best. New York City will be our weekend destination. We will top off this tour with a Broadway show. Visit the trekkers website then future tours section at the bottom of the page you can submit your name to have it on the tour notification list. Pricing and reservations will open up in Feb.

### Iceland Photo Tour June 19th to 29th 2012:

We are excited to present this photo trek to the Land of Fire and Ice which promises to deliver images beyond belief. During the tour we will travel the famous Golden Circle taking in Gulfoss Gyser region, East fjords and some of the most breathtaking waterfalls you will ever photograph. The cost of this tour including flights is \$4975.00 CAD per person including all taxes based on double occupancy. Full details, terms and conditions and online booking is available for this tour on the PhotoTourTrekkers website.





### Mount Tremblant & Park Omega Sept 27th to 30th, 2012

October offers up fall colours, and Park Omega will offer up interesting animals such as the Wolves and Bears. This will be a great weekend photo trek and to top it off with great colour a visit to Mont Tremblant.

#### Polar Bears Churchill Manitoba Oct 28th to Nov 3rd, 2012

After a great response to our first trek we are pleased to offer this tour again in 2012. The polar bears, combined with the tundra of Canada's North make a perfect backdrop for photography.

### India Photo Tour November 19th to 30th, 2012

Offering up beauty, culture, urban life and landscapes our India Photo Tour will be an experience to photograph and remember. Full details will be available this month including being able to make reservations for this trek. The cost of the tour is \$5100.00 plus air tax of \$555.00 CAD totaling \$5655.00 per person. We look forward to you joining us on this photo tour.

### Joshua Tree National Park and Mojave Desert April 2013

America's southwest experience continues with this trek.

#### **Ireland August 2013**

The beauty of the Emerald Isle comes alive with this trek in 2013

#### Namibia October 2013

Africa at it's best the fall of 2013, this trek will reward photographers with beauty beyond belief. The Namibia desert is to be experienced besides photographed.





#### **Booking your Photo Tour**

Booking one of our photo adventures only takes a few minutes and is quick and easy with our online booking form.

#### www.PhotoTourTrekkers.com

Select the tour you wish to join from the main page then once you have reviewed the tour click on the register link and you are set to join us on the trek.

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Tour Details, Dates, Brochures and On-line booking available at www.PhotoTourTrekkers.com