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Happy New Year!

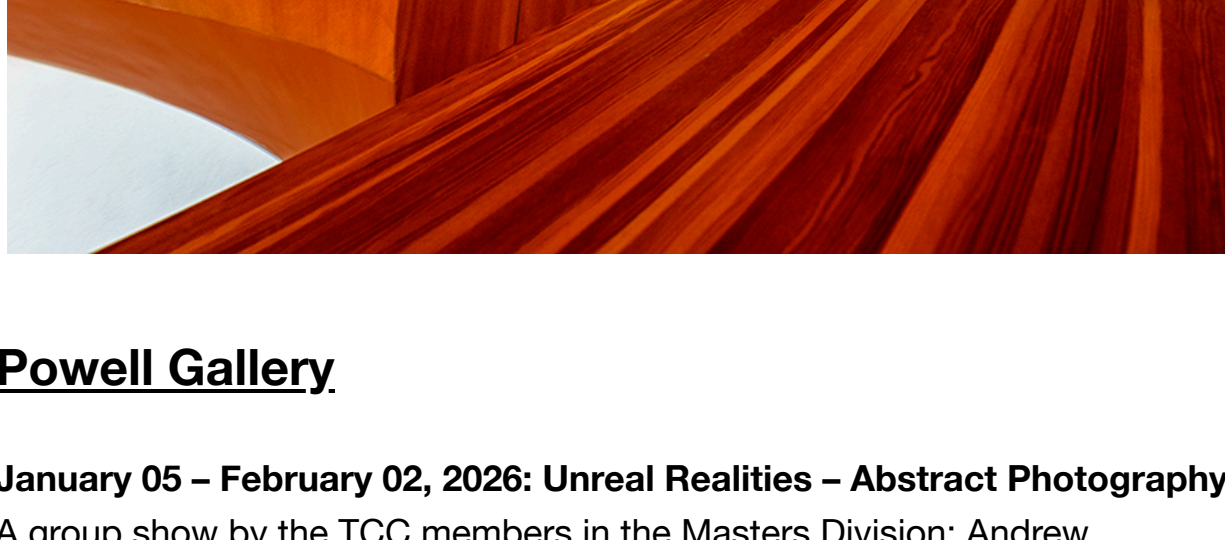
Join us on Monday evening (7:30pm) when we will learn about the software required and suggested hardware to create a professional looking Audio Visual presentation. We will see some award winning AV presentations from International Competitions to show our club members what other groups are doing. We also get to judge and comment on the shows. Should be fun!

While you are at the club, take some time to visit the new exhibit in the Powell Gallery!

On Thursday there will be an orientation for new members to the club. Members who have joined the club since June 2025 are invited to attend a New Members Orientation Meeting at 7:30 pm.

We would like to welcome our newest members:

Chris Smart
Dean Margoese
John Kurts
Jan MacIntyre
Denis Sasman
Suzanne Lang
Jasmine Chau
Lisa DeJong
Stephanie Gunyon
Sandra Jarvis



Powell Gallery

January 05 – February 02, 2026: Unreal Realities – Abstract Photography

A group show by the TCC members in the Masters Division: Andrew Wodzinski, Bill Reith, Catherine AuYeung, Dror Orbach, Gareth Jones, Gulnur Sener, Iskouhee, Kathy Moore, Lawrence Bernstein, Lily Markovic, MaryAnn Griffin, Pat Zuest, Rob Jemmett, Stewart Stein.

Abstract photography explores the expressive potential of form, colour, light, and texture beyond recognizable subjects. By emphasizing visual elements rather than literal representation, these images invite viewers to engage with perception itself – to see familiar materials and spaces in unfamiliar ways. This exhibition will present works that challenge the boundaries of photographic realism, offering a contemplative experience where meaning emerges through rhythm, structure, and the play of light.

Open to the public (free): Mondays - January 05, 12, 19, 26, February 02 from 5.30pm - 7.00 pm. Saturday - January 19, from 1:00 am - 4:00 pm.

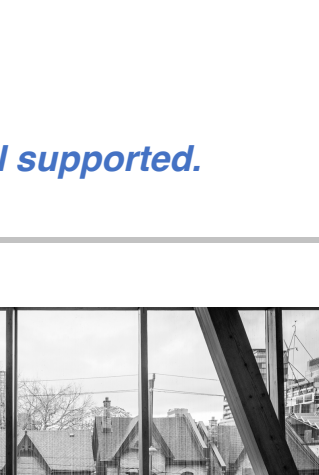
Iskouhee Kirakosyan,
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Image - AGO Stairs by Iskouhee

Buddy Co-Chair Position Available

An opening for a Buddy Co-Chair is now open for applications.

- A member who has good personal skills in assisting new members.
- Someone who is organized to respond quickly to requests and send to out the Toronto Camera Club Members Guide to each new member.
- Knows their way around the website in order to guide new members.
- Are able to do a presentable presentation from the podium.



This is a learning process and not all required at once.

Kindly contact

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The Buddy Program helping members feel supported.

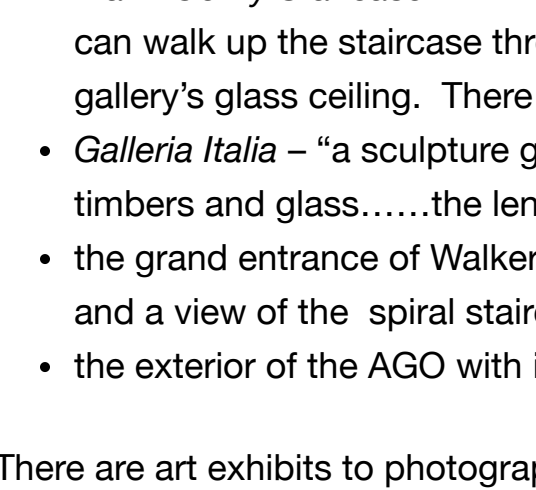
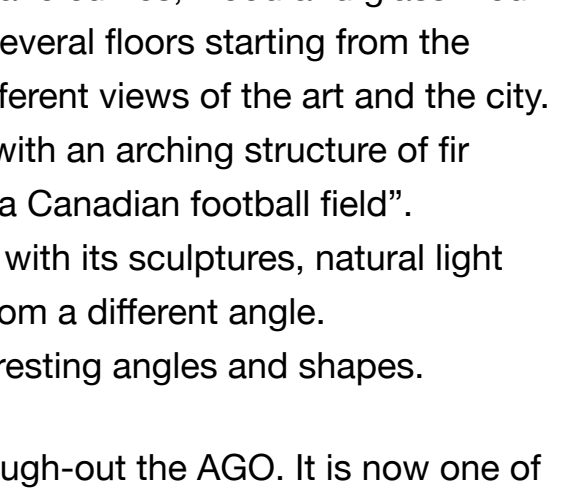


Photo Credit: Jeff Stewart



Nicolien Veenhuizen

Local Outing: Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO)- 2026

Sunday, January 11, 2026

Join us for an indoor event at the AGO. It's a great opportunity to photograph architectural and structural images, such as the:

- *Frank Gehry Staircase* with its dramatic curves, wood and glass. You can walk up the staircase through several floors starting from the gallery's glass ceiling. There are different views of the art and the city.
- *Galleria Italia* – "a sculpture gallery with an arching structure of fir timbers and glass.....the length of a Canadian football field".
- the grand entrance of Walker Court with its sculptures, natural light and a view of the spiral staircase from a different angle.
- the exterior of the AGO with its interesting angles and shapes.

There are art exhibits to photograph through-out the AGO. It is now one of the largest art museums in North America, with over 90,000 works in its collection.

Outing details have been posted to the Toronto Camera Club website. Admission will be free for Club Members if they book through the Toronto Public Library. Log in to the members section of the website and then ([click here](#)) for more details.

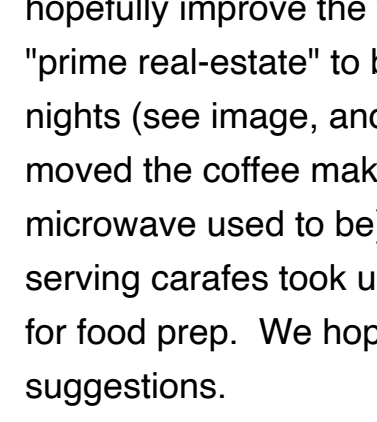
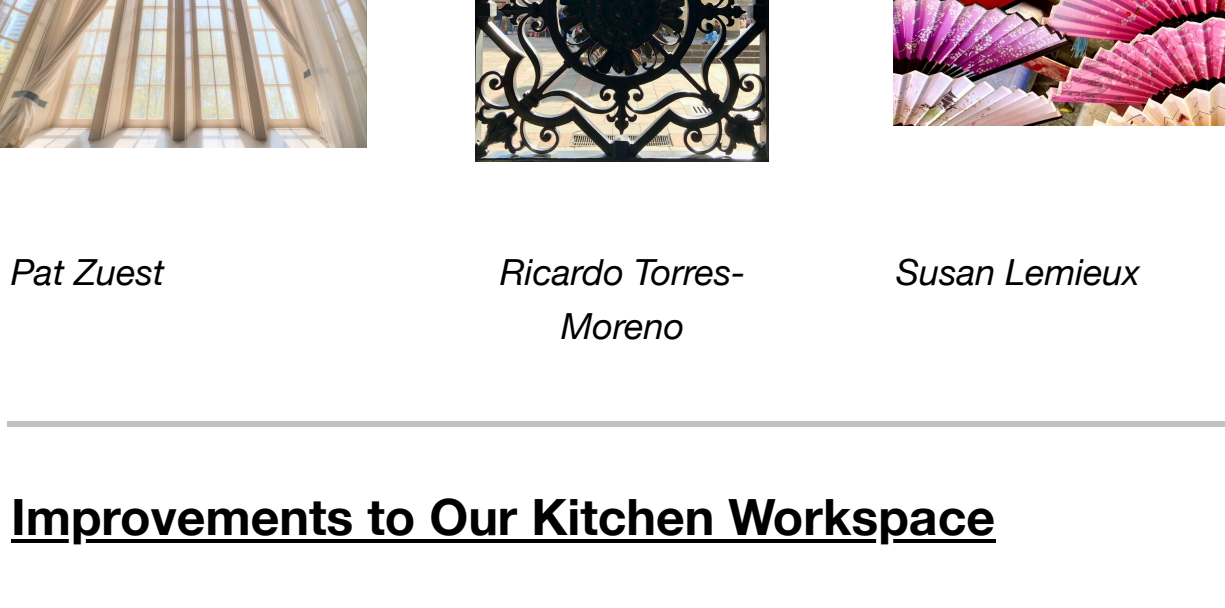
Thank-you,

Pat Gerada

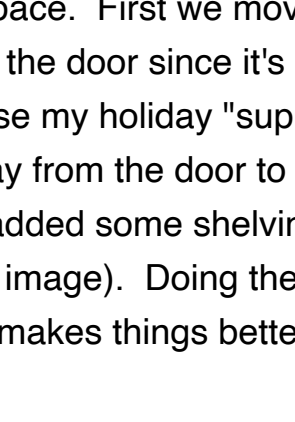
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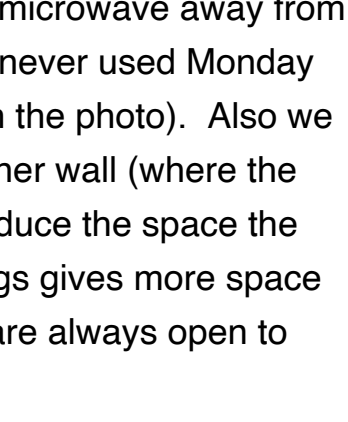
Inspirational Images



Pat Zuest



*Ricardo Torres-
Moreno*



Susan Lemieux

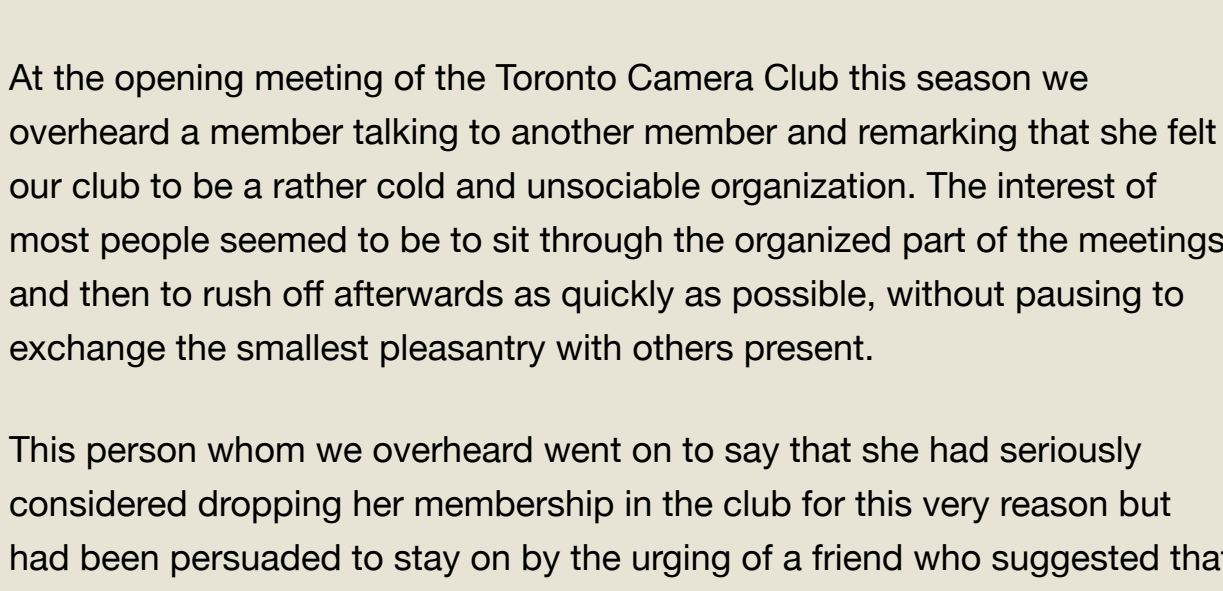
Improvements to Our Kitchen Workspace

For those who volunteer in our kitchen, we made some changes that will hopefully improve the workspace. First we moved the microwave away from "prime real-estate" to behind the door since it's almost never used Monday nights (see image, and excuse my holiday "supplies" in the photo). Also we moved the coffee maker away from the door to the corner wall (where the microwave used to be) and added some shelving to reduce the space the serving carafes took up (see image). Doing these things gives more space for food prep. We hope this makes things better, and are always open to suggestions.

Mike Fellheuer



Vintage Exposure



HOW SUCCESSFUL IS OUR CLUB? From November, 1956

At the opening meeting of the Toronto Camera Club this season we overheard a member talking to another member and remarking that she felt our club to be a rather cold and unsociable organization. The interest of most people seemed to be to sit through the organized part of the meetings and then to rush off afterwards as quickly as possible, without pausing to exchange the smallest pleasantries with others present.

This person whom we overheard went on to say that she had seriously considered dropping her membership in the club for this very reason but had been persuaded to stay on by the urging of a friend who suggested that she give the Club another chance (she had been a member for only one year).

When we thought about this conversation we could not help but agree that the new member has a pretty hard time getting into things (with the exception of those foolish enough to take on jobs like the running of Focus' and who thereby become notorious overnight).

This is a deplorable state of affairs. It is the responsibility of all of us, jointly and individually, to make all members, and particularly new ones, feel that they are an integral and important part of the Club. We have had a grave indictment cast upon us. Let us vindicate ourselves.

Upcoming Events

[Click above to see the upcoming events.](#)

Most meetings will be held as hybrid meetings - that is, in person at the Club and as well as on Zoom.

Please check the website before heading out to the club in case of last minute changes.



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