



Photography 10, 11, & 12

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COURSE FEES:

\$30.00, due at beginning of the course. This helps us continue to maintain the cameras and computers used for this course. Students who are unable to pay the course fee should see Ms. Walker right away for financial assistance. No student will be excluded from the course because of the inability to pay fees.

COURSE OVERVIEW:

Welcome to Digital Imaging 10-12!! In this course, you will learn all aspects of successful photography, including camera use and maintenance, digital work flow, composition, design, photo editing software, and photo e-portfolios. *Note: Students who have taken Digital Photography 11 or 12 previously will be expected to complete alternative assignments and individual portfolios.*

CLASS MATERIAL:

MANDATORY

- Sketch Book
- Pencils
- Black Pens
- DSLR Camera (Provided)
- Computer Workstations and Software (Provided)
- USB Memory Stick or Portable External Hard drive (Student must supply and bring everyday)
- E-Portfolio (Student Created Website - URL Provided to Ms. Walker).

OPTIONAL

- Personal Camera (Should have as many features as possible)
- Online Storage (Dropbox, Google Drive, One Drive, etc.)
- Colourful Pens
- SD memory card

COURSE CONTENT:

- History* - Art history through the exploration of famous photographers, and their contributions to the field of photography.
- Techniques* - Operating a manual DSLR camera, exposure, direction and quality of light, perspective, use of aperture and shutter speed, using Adobe Photoshop, creating individual web page/e-portfolios.
- Aesthetics* - Composition and design, rule of thirds, use of line and shapes, colour balance, using Adobe Photoshop to edit and manipulate photographic image.
- Practice* - Hands-on practical photography experience, which includes taking photos, critique of the work of self and others, self-reflections and note taking in photography journal/sketchbook.

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS -

COMPLETING WORK:

It is expected that you complete ALL work on time and in full. Failure to finish homework or class activities may result in calls home and/or discussions with the administration. Students who participate in extra-curricular activities are expected to complete their work by the assigned deadlines. Extra time will not be given to accommodate extra-curricular schedules.

PREPARATION:

Students are expected to be prepared to learn in the class everyday, which includes:

- Bring pen, sketchbook, and USB/hard drive to class everyday.
- Checking Ms. Walker's website regularly for information, links, and documents.
- Participating actively in class, and in photo critiques.
- Behaving politely and in a respectful manner, in line with the *John Oliver Code of Conduct*.
- Working independently: This class requires a great deal of trust between teacher and student, and amongst you and your classmates. We are working with thousands of dollars in equipment and students will be frequently allowed to work on their own at various locations throughout the school. Students are expected to use this time effectively to complete their work.

CELL PHONES & ELECTRONICS:

Cell phones, music players, headphones, and ALL other electronics are NOT permitted in class at anytime, *unless specifically mentioned by the instructor*. This course requires maturity in regards to communications technology, and there will be many times when cell phones are used for learning in the classroom. At other times, they should be off and away. If these rules are not respected, all cell phones will be collected by the teacher at the beginning of each class.

ABSENCES:

Students who are away from class must present a note explaining their absence on the day they return. **A reminder that John Oliver Secondary School policy does NOT provide accommodation for long-term absences due to vacations, family events, etc.** Students with a legitimate note for their absence will receive extensions for the work they have missed. Students without a legitimate note for their absence will not receive grades for the work they have missed.

RESPECT:

You are expected to show respect to your classmates and teacher by acting politely and in a safe manner, and by respecting the learning environment of the classroom. Students should refer to the *Jokers Code of Conduct* for specifics on acceptable classroom and on line behaviour. Sexist, racist, homophobic, transphobic, and other derogatory behaviour will NOT be tolerated at anytime in the classroom. *Students are expected to follow John Oliver Secondary's rules on acceptable use of technology and social media when taking photographs in and around the school.*

Please contact me via e-mail to schedule appointments or discuss student progress, as I teach in different classrooms.