

PPM Fall Artistry Retreat:

Brian DeMint

October 5-7, 2014

At Holiday Inn Express and Crossroads Conference Center
6569 Clay Avenue SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49548



Unleashing the Creative Mind

This program provides scientifically proven methods to stretch your creative thought progression and un-tether your mind from the group mentality process. Photographers of all levels, regardless of subject matter will benefit from the unique ideas presented in this program. We will also be creative-cross training as I show examples from some of fine arts most notable original thinkers, learning methods for scaling mental blocks, alleviating fear and opening your mind to a plethora of new possibilities. This program is fun, educational and very inspiring.

Brian DeMint of Eyeworks Photography is a fashion/beauty photographer based in Joplin, MO. Formally trained as an oil painter, Brian made the switch to photography in 2004 and is self-educated in both photography and digital manipulation. By combining the classic elements of design with the digital technologies of today, he creates

visually striking imagery with emphasis on emotional color and unique styling with the help of his talented wife Dena who provides hair styling and makeup application. Brian's publishing credits include: Flori Fashion Magazine, Digital Photo Pro, AfterCapture Magazine, Italian "A" Fashion, Burst Magazine, Cut & Dry, Sessions Magazine, Cliché Magazine among many other publications. Brian is also a speaker on the national level with After Dark Education, Sandy Puc Tours, SPA, PPA, inferno Workshops, and has appeared on the PhotoVision DVD Series.

Artist's Statement: Defining ones art can be as elusive as catching a shadow... All cannot be explained, even by the artists themselves. Plus, it would be quickly overshadowed by viewers impression of the creator, be it "Artist" or "Maniac". However, the synopsis of how I work is thus: I prefer to be guided by instinct before conformity, fear and marketing shackle my creative process. Thus, none of the works are completely arranged beforehand, I work on the fly. I never seek perfection, it is unattainable.

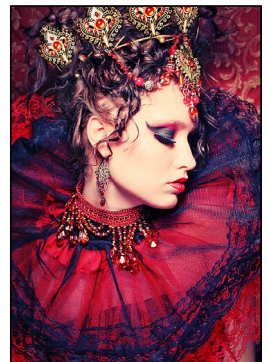
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Free to PPM Premiere Members

PPA members will receive a merit for attending!

\$99 for Basic Members and PPA members

\$149 to Non Members





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Fall Artistry Retreat Both Interactive and Educational!!!!

- Brian's program will be Sunday 1:00-4:00 with hands on photography on Monday from 9:00-12:00. On Monday we will also be doing some creative processing from 1:30-4:00!
- Dress in the latest steam punk fashion trend and get ready for some fun at our Steam Punk Party on Sunday night! Search Google for some fun creative steam punk costume ideas!
- There will be creative assignments and we will be sharing ideas on Sunday night before the party!
- On Monday night you will participate in a "Creative Shoot Out". We will have multiple background shooting bays with models.
- Print Exchange - Bring your most creative/favorite scenic, landscape, flower, abstract, or storytelling portrait that you've ever created. Take home a treasured keepsake from one of your fellow PPM members! The image should be mounted up to 14" in size. It does not need to be framed.
- Start capturing those GREAT images with your cell phone now! We will be having our Second Annual Cell Phone Print Competition! More details to follow.
- Bring both your camera gear and your computer, this weekend will be totally hands on!
- Stay for Tuesday to visit Grand Rapids's Art Prize with your fellow artists!



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PPM Fall Artistry Retreat:

Cindy Romano

October 7, 2014 9:00AM-11:00AM

At Holiday Inn Express and Crossroads Conference Center
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My Cancer, My Art



Cindy is a devoted, impassioned wife and mother of two children who truly loves what she does. She is driven by the constant quest to capture the true character and personality of every one of her clients. Constantly searching for new ideas that will enhance her portraiture. She believes that "true creativity is found outside your comfort zone". Several times each year, Cindy attends seminars and schools with various internationally known photographers who's work she admires.

Cindy has been in photography since high school and had owned her own studio since 1988. She earned her fellowship degree with the Professional Photographers of Northern

Illinois in 1994. Cindy holds the degrees Master of Photography, Master of Electronic Imaging, Master Craftsman, and Certified Professional Photographer. She is a member of PPA, ASP, Northern Illinois Professional Photographers, and American Professional Photographers of Illinois. She is an Affiliate Judge for Professional Photographers of America, past Governor of American Society of Photographers and Past President of Northern Illinois Professional Photographers. She has also one of her images displayed in PPA Magazine and at local, state, and national conventions as well as Epcot Center in Orlando. She is one of the top ten photographers of Illinois and has won many state awards for her art.

"MY CANCER, MY ART"

COME TO CINDY ROMANO'S PROGRAM
TO SEE THE FULL VERISONS OF THESE IMAGES
AND HER NIGHTMARES TURNED INTO ART

C. ROMANO
Photography



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PPM Fall Artistry Retreat:

Schedule of Events

October 4-7, 2014

At PPM's March Madness Event in Grand Rapids

Saturday – October 4, 2014

All Day ArtPrize Downtown GR

Sunday – October 5th, 2014

10:00am – Noon Certification Exam in the Byron Room/Hospitality Suite
Noon-1:00pm Registration
1:00pm – 4:00pm Brian DeMint “Unleashing the Creative Mind” in the Huron Room
4:30pm-5:30pm Creativity Assignment in the Huron Room
5:30pm Reception/Cash Bar on the Patio Pavilion
6:00pm – 7:00pm Dinner on the Patio Pavilion
7:00pm-10:00pm Steam Punk Party in the Huron Room (Make sure you bring your steam punk items to dress in!)
10:30pm – Midnight Hospitality Suite – All Members Welcome in the Byron Room/Hospitality Suite

Monday – October 6th, 2014

6:30am--10:00am Breakfast at Hotel
8:00am – 8:45am PPM General Meeting in the Byron Room/Hospitality Suite
9:00am – Noon Registration
9:00am – Noon Brian DeMint (continued) Photography in the Huron Room
Noon-1:30pm Affiliate Leaders Meeting at Crankers Restaurant
Noon – 1:30pm Lunch
1:30pm – 4:00pm Brian DeMint (continued) Creative Processing in the Huron Room
4:00pm-5:00pm Creative Assignment/Print Exchange in the Huron Room (Bring a mounted art print to trade!)
5:00pm-5:30pm Cell Phone Print Competition Results in the Huron Room
5:30pm – 7:00pm Dinner on your own
7:00pm - 10:00pm Creative Shoot Out (shooting bays) in the Huron Room
10:30pm – Midnight Hospitality Suite – All Members Welcome in the Byron Room/Hospitality Suite

Tuesday – October 7th, 2014

6:30am—10:00am Breakfast at Hotel
8:30am—9:00am Registration
9:00am – 11:00am Cindy Romano “My Cancer My Art” in the Huron Room
Rest of the day ArtPrize Downtown GR

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Join PPM for:

An ArtPrize Outing!

Saturday October 4, 2014 and Tuesday October 7, 2014
During PPM Fall Artistry retreat in Grand Rapids, MI

“THE BIGGEST PRIZE FOR ART IN THE WORLD”

A totally new event, now in it's fifth year, unlike anything in the world, filled with the experiments of artists and the opinions of everyone. Artists and venues register then connect. Once they connect each individual show is organized. Artists take over the city, visitors explore and a new relationship is formed. Public vote determines the top prize. The first 11 days they narrow to get to the top ten, the last 5 days they choose from the top ten.

Hear what past ArtPrize photography artists say about ArtPrize:

“PPM is in for quite the visual treat! ArtPrize is an exciting time in the city of Grand Rapids. Three square miles of downtown Grand Rapids becomes an art feast to satisfy all the senses. If you are coming to see the art, or capture the happenings with your camera, you will enjoy ArtPrize. It's Pure Michigan.” - Ruth Parbel

“The look and feel of Grand Rapids is transformed during ArtPrize. Tens of thousands of people flock to downtown over the two week period to view amazing 2 and 3 dimensional art like.... photos, sculptures, paintings, and performance art. Myself being a part of the largest area exhibit in the world is so amazing.” - Tim Priest

“Art Prize is the most amazing collection of creative contemporary art from around the world and Grand Rapids is a fun and perfectly sized city to host an event like this. There are endless venues with absolutely incredible art throughout the entire city. As a former ArtPrize Artist, I was there several days and couldn't begin to take it all in. Don't miss out on this opportunity for artistic and creative inspiration, you will only regret not having more time to soak it all in.”
- Steve White

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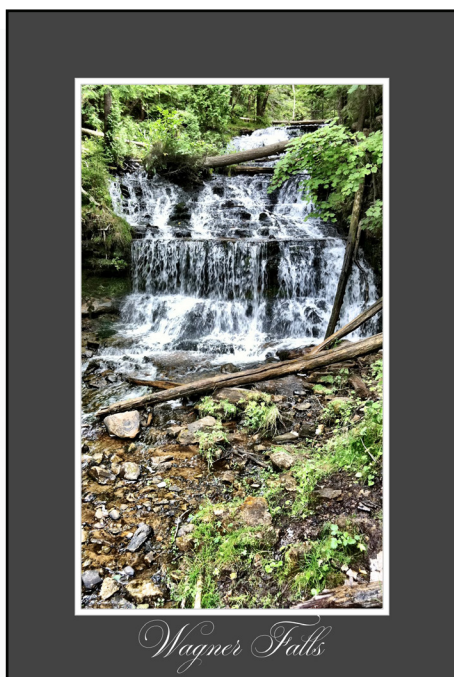
PPM is proud to introduce: Our second annual Cell Phone Competition!

Can you rock the cell phone pictures like no one else? Join us for our second annual PPM Cell Phone Competition! This is a fun spin off of what we love to do! You can start taking those awesome shots with your cell phone IMMEDIATELY, and work on those cell phone competition worthy shots!

Rules:

- You may enter up to four images.
- Your images must be taken AND MANIPULATED on a cell phone.
- People's Choice Voting viewed through My Photo App.
- You must be a PPM Member or a Fall Focus Convention Attendee to enter.
- There will be a showing of all images on the evening of October 6 at PPM Fall Focus, where the winners will be announced. You must be present to win.
- Images must be taken AND MANIPULATED on a cell phone.
- You must submit original captured image and manipulated image for eligibility.
- Text images to: 810-672-9023 or email to: envisions@gmx.com. Please include your name. With your images.

**Winner will receive a \$25 gift card to iTunes or the Play Store!
(Winner's choice!)**



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