



Amethyst Imagery's  
Get To Know Your Stuff  
**Photography**  
Course

*Your Instructors*

*We are patient communicators with an ability to explain photography and its components in an understandable fashion. Photography is our hobby, our work and our passion. We spend all our spare time photographing everything within the reach of our camera equipment.*

*Ken has worked in a camera store which made it easier to find out more about photographic equipment. He has won when competing in photo contests and makes money from his images through a stock photo agent. He has completed the course in Photojournalism at the Western Academy of Photography, receiving three awards.*

*Inge has a creative eye, is mastering Photoshop and has completed the New York Institute Of Photography Course.*

*This Get To Know Your Stuff Photography Course is our way of sharing our knowledge of equipment, our understanding of photography techniques and our passion for the art of image creating. At Amethyst Imagery we promise to make your time an enjoyable learning experience and teach you what you want to learn about your photography.*

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**Part One - What It's All About**

Photography means drawing with light and is the modern method of story telling society's images. It is a mechanical and electronic operation which records the light illuminating a subject. To improve your photography you need to understand light, light meters, exposure and how your camera works.

**The Light**

Learn to "see the light"

**Light Metering**

Making meters read correctly

**Exposure Value Controls**

There are three controls: The aperture - The shutter - And "you"

**Part Two - Tools of the Trade**

**Tripods**

**Cameras:**

Which one is the right one for you

**Lenses**

The most important tools in your camera bag

**Filters**

Find out how and why filters improve or exaggerate an image

**The Flash**

Understand them

**Handheld Meters**

**Gadget Bags**

**Part Three - Finding The Edge**

• **Photographers don't take pictures they make them** •

**Where to Start**

With the right combination of visual ability and knowledge

**Creating The Image With:**

**The Aperture** - Control of your depth of field or zone of focus

**The Shutter** - Control the time light gets to fall on film or CCD

**Composition**

Learn the rules of composition until they become second nature

**Visualizing**

Photographers visualize an image before the shutter is released

**Reflecting**

Do your images live up to your expectations?

**The Point**

The basics is only the beginning. Photography is much like learning to play a musical instrument. Using the program mode is like listening to someone else play while you appreciate their work. When you take control of the instrument by understanding what it can do, having learned the basic skills, you can start to imitate other artists. Once you have mastered the instrument you can start composing your own works. And through all these stages you need to practice, practice, practice!

**Various Saturdays and Sundays this  
Spring - Check our Web Site or call us**

**GTKYS Workshop (Handbook Included) : 9:00 am to 12:00**

**Location: Calgary Area Outdoor Council Building**

**1111 Memorial Drive NW**

**GTKYS Outing: 1:00 pm to 5:00pm**

**Cost: \$50 per person \$90 per couple**