

Ten Tips for Better Photos



1. Be Prepared

Camera, memory cards, fresh batteries...know how to use and hold your camera!

2. Have a Subject

Portrait, landscape, still life, abstract? Consider shapes, lines, colors, texture...

3. Get Closer...

Physically first, then zoom if needed; avoid a busy background, Use the "Rule of Thirds", think of contrast -lights and darks

4. In Focus

Subject in focus with a blurred background or blurred subject for movement

5. Viewpoints and Angles

Should be unusual or different. Try a birds-eye or bugs view...not always horizontal from your eye level!

6. Dramatic Lighting

Experiment with sunsets, fireworks, places with extra or limited light, windows..use a tripod, firm surface, or lean against tree or wall

7. Flash/No flash/ Available Light

Experiment-take more than one picture of the same subject with different light sources

8. Multiple Shots

Take extra pictures of good subjects.

9. People

Show them doing something!

10. Back Up Your Files...

On cd's, flashdrives, external hard drives,.. Share your best by printing and/or online albums.

Have Fun!

Express what you see...tell a story...record the moment. You will be glad you did!

