

Canadian Rockies Workshop Itinerary February 21-26, 2012

Tuesday February 21st, 2012

All day participants and instructors arrive at Banff National Park

(Contact Banff Airporter for specific door-to-door airport transfers for additional fee)

- 6-6:30pm Workshop Registration / Introduction
- 6:30-7pm **Meet your Mentor: Daniel J. Cox**
- 7-7:15pm Break
- 7:30-8pm **Meet your mentor: Layne Kennedy**
- 8-9:00pm Camera Q & A

Wednesday February 22nd, 2012

- 5:15am Depart for sunrise – **Lake Louise**
Shoot the most photographed landscape in the park as the open water at the outlet provides a perfect opportunity for reflection shots as warm hues fall on Mount Victoria
 - 8:30-9:30am Breakfast in Lake Louise
 - 10:00am Head back out to **Lake Louise**
Continue photographing in morning light, Victoria Glacier and snow-covered Rocky Mountains
 - 11:30am Head back to the hotel
 - 12:30pm Lunch on your own
 - 2:30pm Depart for **Banff Gondola**
Head up 2292 feet to the top of **Sulphur Mountain**, the views get more spectacular as you climb. Photograph along the ridge from Sulphur Mountain for sweeping views in every direction (snack bar available at the top)
 - 5:00pm Depart for sunset – **Mount Norquay Scenic Drive**
Overlook Banff and Mount Rundle in the evening light.
Capture wildlife portraits with the broad Bow Valley below
 - 7:00pm Dinner on your own in Banff
- Download and edit your images for tomorrow's digital review session**

Thursday February 23rd, 2012

- 7:00am Breakfast on your own
 - 8:30am Depart for **Johnston Canyon**
Photograph and experience a magical world of ice formations along a **guided ice walk**
Photograph from the catwalk built into the canyon walls which gives an airy view of the gorge below. Walk through a natural cave feature for a unique view of the lower falls and gigantic pillars of ice at the Upper falls. Ice climbers can often be seen scaling the frozen columns. (Necessary gear provided.)
 - 12:30pm-2pm Lunch on your own / Download your images
 - 2:30-4:30pm Digital review session with your mentors: Show 5 images on your laptop**
 - 5-6:30pm Dinner on your own in Banff
 - 7:00pm Depart for **Banff Upper Hot Springs**
"Take the waters" at this historic spa and bathhouse
Relax in the outdoor mineral spring fed hot pools with views of Mount Rundle
 - 9:30pm Return to the hotel
- Download and edit your images for tomorrow's digital review session**

Friday February 24th, 2012

- 6:30am Depart for sunrise – **Vermillion Lakes Scenic Drive**
Photograph the chain of three lakes and the mountains behind them
Dramatic early morning sidelight highlights the peaks. Capture early morning mist or reflecting pools, as pockets of water stay ice-free due to warm underground springs. Don't miss the crystalline shorelines and textures in the feathered ice.
- 9:30am Breakfast on your own in Banff
- 11-1:00pm Digital review session with your mentors: Show 5 images on your laptop**
- 1-2:30pm Lunch on your own
- 2:30pm Depart for **Lake Minnewanka**
Photograph peaks colored by the late afternoon sun & ice formations along the shoreline
- 4:30pm Depart for evening light / sunset: **Tunnel Mountain Scenic Drive**
Photograph from **Surprise Corner**: the Bow River, Bow Falls and the Banff Springs Hotel,
Tunnel Mountain Viewpoint: view of Bow Valley to Mount Rundle, Tunnel Mountain
Hoodoos Viewpoint: Bow and Spray Valleys and the hoodoos (geological landforms of silt, gravel, boulders and dissolved limestone)
- 7:30pm Return to the hotel / dinner on your own / download your images
Download and edit your images for tomorrow's digital review session

Saturday February 25th, 2012

- 8:30am Breakfast on your own
- 9:00am Depart for **dog sledding tour**
Photograph sled dogs in the beautiful winter scenes, learn how to mush
Ends with campfire and opportunity to make sled dog and musher portraits
- 1:00pm Return to the hotel
- 1:30pm Lunch / Download and edit your photos for tonight's final slide show
- 3-5:00pm Final digital review session with your mentors: Show 5 images on your laptop**
- 5-5:30pm Turn in 5 images for the final slide show (jpgs & rotated)
- 6:00pm Final Slide show/workshop closing
- 7:00pm Dinner on your own

Sunday February 26th, 2012

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**itinerary subject to change*