

**Greetings** from your Committee!

We would like to start by apologising for the recent lack of activity on our website, social media platforms, and overall communication.

**Peter Roberts**

**Regional Officer**

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Baron - Neil Hutton

I have been a keen photographer since undertaking evening classes when I was a student, back in the days of black and white film. I have been a member of local camera clubs, and am active on the judging circuit up here in the Highland and Moray areas, and I joined the RPS about seven years ago.

I encourage all members to make the most of the events and opportunities that are planned, not just by our regional team, but also by the Special Interest Groups who do run events within Scotland. We are putting together an exciting new programme of events, as you will see from this newsletter. If there are particular events or activities that you, as a member, would like to see then please do engage with Sam, our engagement and events officer or myself.

My role is to provide you with the opportunity to progress with your photographic journey wherever that takes you and, most importantly, to make it enjoyable. Please do support our activities - it is your participation that makes them a success.

Through the lens!



*Peter*



We are social! On Facebook as RPS Scotland Group, you will need your membership number to join!

**Trisha Roberts ARPS CPAGB**

**Treasurer**

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I have been a member of the RPS for over seven years, having been involved with local camera clubs prior to that. I gained my Licentiate in 2018 and an Associateship in the Documentary genre in 2022. Accredited with CPAGB, I have been judging at local camera clubs for the last four years, and took over as the RPS Scotland Northern Area rep in June last year.

**Samantha Dearlove**

**Engagement & Events Officer**

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I am an active member of both the Perthshire Photographic Society and Carnoustie Camera Club. I enjoy travelling,

If you are holding an event, or know of any please drop me an email so I am able to include in the newsletter or just general communication feel free to drop me a message. If you want a particular speaker on zoom or you have an idea we can facilitate do let me know. Additionally if you know of any galleries that would host exhibitions for us please let me know, particularly west coast!

Please send over any photos you have, especially those suitable for the newsletter cover and back page. Also if you have a website please send me your link!

There has been much going on behind the scenes, but we need YOU!

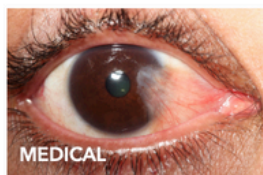
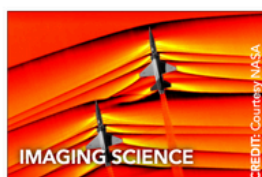


We are looking to recruit area reps, and committee members, interested parties please email Peter at Scotland@rps.org

## Loxley Colour

Sam has reached out to Loxley Colour who are based in Glasgow and is pleased to say that they are delighted to host workshop tours for RPS Members.

Please note that other Print companies are available and Loxley is not endorsed by The Royal Photographic Society.



## Groups

Members can join our Groups which concentrate more closely on particular areas of photography and imaging.

Login to your RPS account, prices are charged on a pro-rata basis, we have listed the annual costs next to each Group: Analogue £20 | Archaeology & Heritage £15 | Audio Visual £15 | Contemporary £25 | Creative Eye £17 | Digital Imaging (Printed DIGIT) £18 or Online DIGIT £8 | Documentary £10 | Historical £22 | Imaging Science £13 | Landscape £17 | Medical £8 | Nature £18 | Travel £15 | Visual Art £15 | Women in Photography £10

Do you know what the RPS can offer you?

On your membership portal you have to option to join Special Interest Groups (SIG)

There is an additional fee for each of these groups and are charged pro rata.

The SIG's are worldwide, with a concentration in the United Kingdom. Some groups have representative's in Scotland arranging in person and online events.

The designated contacts for Scotland for each of the groups are:

Steven Whittaker FRPS  
contemporarysco@rps.org

Documentary runs in conjunction with contemporary in Scotland. For more information for the Documentary Photography awards  
<https://rps.org/groups/documentary/dpa/>

Colin Balfour LRPS  
landscape@rps.org

You will find contact information for each of the groups upon clicking on your interest.

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GET TICKETS

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**AUGUST**  
**6**

**Contemporary & Documentary  
Groups: Edinburgh... Fringe Day  
Oot - Aug 2025**  
By RPS - Contemporary Group

GET TICKETS

We'll meet at EPS, where there will be three Fringe photographic exhibitions on, then head over towards the Royal Mile, and the Fringe to take in the atmosphere and the sights and sounds of the performers and spectators.

Exhibition links  
<https://www.edinburghphotographicsociety.co.uk/wp/>  
<https://www.edfringe.com/>

Date & Time

☒ Wed, 06/08/25, 09:30 BST  
☐ Wed, 06/08/25, 16:00 BST

Location [Get directions](#)

**FREE** Event with  
Contemporary &  
Documentary.

Wednesday 6 August 2025

Led by RPS Contemporary  
Group

<https://events.rps.org/en/contemporary-and-documentary-groups-edinburgh-fringe-day-oot-aug-2025-5a2NN2AUBZI/overview>

<https://billetto.co.uk/e/member-led-event-grey-mare-s-tail-and-loch-skeen-tickets-1284258>

Member led event at Grey Mare's  
Tail, Selkirk by Jean Robson FRPS.

Thursday 14 August 9am - 2pm

From £12.00



## **TALK-WALK-TALK**



To view Talk Walk Talk Previous Zines

<https://talkwalktalk.org/node/472>

Autumn will move on to Inland Waters  
rivers, streams, canals, waterfalls, lakes,  
ponds, reservoirs, even floods

### **North Scotland**

**July:** Dava Moor derelict houses:

Sunday July 6th Lead is Mike Tibbs

The proposal is to meet at the lay-by of the Jesus Saves Stone on the A939 at 1000hrs. The stone and lay-by are very prominent, just over 2mls south of Dava on the RHS, or on the LHS just under 5mls north of Granton-on-Spey.

From the South, it's just over two km from the Lochindorb Road end.

Once clear of the lay-by area, the route follows a rough farm vehicle track, passed Loch Mhic Leoid, where I'm sure a few things with feathers can be seen, to the remains of the old settlements of Wester and Easter Crannich and Rycorrach.

Also, approximately 1 mile further up the A939 are the remains of Heatherbell Cottage and the ruins at Lochnellan.

Please note: no loos, no cafes, rough but walkable farm vehicle tracks and no doubt some rain - so come prepared.

**July :** Loch Fleet

Sunday July 20th Lead is Martin Ross

**October:** Autumn colour as per last year's cancelled event

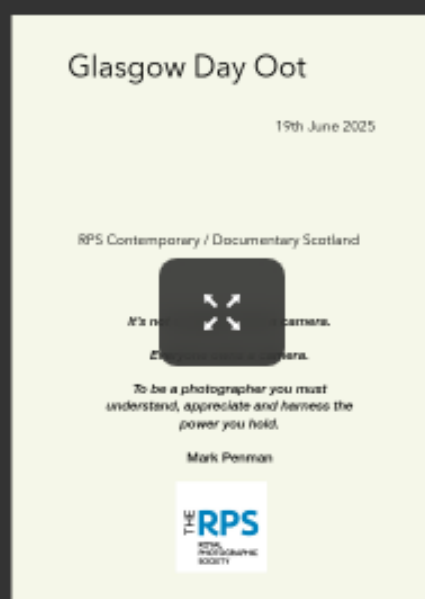
Date TBA Lead Alan O'Brien



### TWT Outing to Johnshaven – 6 June

[https://issuu.com/royalphotographicsociety/docs/rps\\_scotland\\_twt\\_johnshaven\\_june\\_2025](https://issuu.com/royalphotographicsociety/docs/rps_scotland_twt_johnshaven_june_2025)

On 6 June, members of the Scotland Region NE Group participated in a TWT event in and around the picturesque village of Johnshaven. Nestled along the scenic coastal plains of the Mearns—approximately seven miles north of Montrose—Johnshaven is a charming fishing village renowned for its nationally acclaimed Fish Festival. Rich in maritime heritage, the area remains a hub for the shellfish industry. This e-zine showcases a selection of images captured by the group during their outing.



RPS Contemporary and Documentary

Day out in Glasgow - June 2025

E-zine

<https://rps.org/news/groups/women-in-photography/news-releases/rps-women-in-photography-40-project-progress-update-and-call-for-photographers/>



Please consider joining the group, and contributing to the 40% Project with MSP's from Scotland.

**40% Project,  
Call to RPS  
photographers,  
especially  
women!**

RPS Women in Photography



Sue Wright - Chair of Women in Photography

Published 09 June 2025



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#### A Record-Breaking Milestone for Women in Politics

The RPS Women in Photography group is proud to share the latest update on The 40% Project, an inspiring initiative celebrating the growing representation of women in UK Parliament.

Following last year's General Election, a record-breaking 40% of MPs are now women—a testament to the strength, resilience, and determination of those who have fought for their place at the table. This project seeks to honor their achievements and highlight the evolving landscape of British politics through the power of photography.

#### Capturing the Faces of Female Leadership

The 40% Project aims to celebrate and document the impact of female MPs by capturing their portraits—showcasing their strength, grace, and leadership. We are calling on passionate photographers, especially women, to contribute to this meaningful initiative. If you're eager to help tell these important stories through your lens, we'd love for you to be part of this project.

Paisley and Renfrewshire South  
Aberdeen North  
Gordon and Buchan  
North Ayrshire and Arran  
Kilmarnock and Loudoun  
Motherwell, Wishaw and Carluke,  
Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock  
Mid Dunbartonshire  
Aberdeen North

WIP are specifically looking for members who live in these areas to put in contact with MSP's.



An enlightening online Zoom talk with the talented **Mairi MacCaulay** on **Thursday, July 17th, at 7 PM**. Mairi, known for her captivating storytelling and deep insights into Scottish folklore, will take us on a journey through the rich tapestry of myths and legends that have shaped Scotland's cultural landscape. A love affair with Eigg Eigg has always held a fascination for me, but I started to fall in love with the island on my first visit. I have since visited Eigg a number of times and particularly love the late autumn and winter months, when I can have the beaches all to myself. It was over 4 separate week long visits during these months that an 'A' panel started to develop. This presentation documents my love affair with the island." . Tickets here! <https://events.rps.org/4LrdQ66/5a2NN2AtvHd>

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### **Thomas 'The Kilted Photographer'**

Thursday 21 August 2025 7pm

Thomas Lamont, known as The Kilted Photographer, is a Falkirk-based drone and landscape photographer whose distinctive style—wearing a Declaration Tartan kilt—has become his brand signature.

He began his photographic journey in 2015 with a DSLR, embarking on landscape and architectural imagery to showcase Scotland's beauty. In 2017, he added commercial drone photography to his toolkit, attaining CAA Operational Authorisation and full insurance, enabling him to capture breathtaking aerial perspectives.

Thomas's work has earned significant acclaim. He won the People's Choice Award (Drone category) at the British Photography Awards 2024 for a sunset image of the Wallace Monument, and was also named Scottish Aerial Photographer of the Year 2024 at the Scottish Prestige Awards

[www.thekilted.photo](http://www.thekilted.photo)



Join us for an online Zoom Macro Talk with renowned Scottish photographer **David Gilliver** on **Monday, September 8th, at 7 PM**. Discover the imaginative world of his "Little People" series, where he uses miniature figurines to craft whimsical and thought-provoking scenes. Don't miss this opportunity to explore how everyday objects become expansive landscapes in his work, offering playful yet poignant commentary on themes like climate change, consumerism, and the human condition.

Get your tickets here!

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### **FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 10AM PROMPT**

Drum Mains Park Glasgow G68 9LD

Sam has a close relationship with Loxley Colour (other print services are available and is not endorsed by RPS) and has arranged for a in person visit.

The maximum group size is 12 if you would like to come please email and advise If you have any specific access needs

[scotlandevents@rps.org](mailto:scotlandevents@rps.org)

**Loxley Colour**





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## SHARE AND SUPPORT

## Bring your work!

**Saturday 18 OCTOBER 2025 10am - 4pm**

## PERTH – Lecture Hall Art Gallery

What 3 words: flames:zebra:ladder  
This building has accessible access



scotlandevents@rps.org



[www.rpsscotland.org/events](http://www.rpsscotland.org/events)





A Walk in the Woods  
by  
Pat Ness LRPS

The Scotland Region of the Royal Photographic Society will be presenting an exhibition of photographic prints that show the variety of work undertaken by members. It includes images of wildlife, landscapes, people and places taken both in Scotland and around the world and demonstrates a range of photographic techniques to present these subjects.

Edinburgh 1 August 2025 - by kind permission of Edinburgh Photographic Society  
68 Great King Street, Edinburgh  
[Edinburgh Photographic Society](#)

The Smith Gallery Stirling - September - October 2025

Eden Court Gallery - Inverness January 2026

Aberdeen Art Centre - Aberdeen February 2026



**Please keep a look out for the monthly competition page online, that we will be bringing back up soon!**

Entering a monthly online photo competition is a great way for photographers to show their work and gain recognition. These contests usually ask participants to submit their best photos based on a theme. Entries are judged on creativity, technical skill, and how well they match the theme. Winning can lead to benefits like wider exposure, publication opportunities, and sometimes prizes. These contests encourage photographers to improve their skills and create a sense of community. Whether you're a beginner or experienced, joining these contests can be very rewarding.

**This competition is restricted to RPS Scotland members only.**

RPS Scotland has decided to award a £100 Amazon Gift card at the end of the year (2025) The member who accrues the most points for their images will be declared the winner and receive the prize.

Please email your picture to [scotlandweb@rps.org](mailto:scotlandweb@rps.org). You should get an acknowledgment. One image per person per month. Images should be 1000px wide - there is no restriction on how tall your pictures are. So please resize them up to 1000 px by XXXX px. (NOT XXXX px by 1000 px). Please name your jpegs as follows - "Image Title.jpg ". Do not use camera filenames which are meaningless.

Winners (and runners up) will have their images showcased on Facebook and on the website. Voting takes place around the last week of the month - you should receive an email containing the voting link, or check our Facebook Group for the announcement.

**Open for entries** 1st to 23rd of each month

**Voting takes place** 24th to 29th of each month (except February)

**Results** published on Facebook.

**Please Note:- All votes will be checked against the RPS Scotland membership and any name not on that list will have their vote deleted.**

Please check the RPS Scotland Website to enter <https://rps.org/regions/scotland/scotland-monthly-competition>

# Royal Photographic Society Landscape Group Members' Exhibition 2025/26



[See the Exhibition](#)

The RPS Landscape Group is holding its second exhibition of members' work across 8+ locations, starting in May 2025 at Southwark Cathedral, before moving to Bristol Central Library, eventually ending in Scotland in Spring 2026. 80 beautiful prints; from London to Antarctica; land & sea; rural & urban; from big scenes to intimate abstracts.

All venues are outdoors, open 24/7

**Southwark Cathedral, London**  
**17 May - 8 June 2025**

**Central Library, Bristol**  
**21 June - 13 July 2025**

**Bridge Field, Rushcliffe,  
(Trent Bridge, Nottingham)**  
**2 - 18 August 2025**

**Yorkshire Museum, on Dame  
Judi Dench Walk, York**  
**6 - 21 September 2025**

**Chester Cathedral, Chester**  
**4 - 26 October 2025**

**Crow Park, Keswick**  
**8 - 23 November 2025**

**WASPS, Inverness**  
**2 - 17 May 2026**

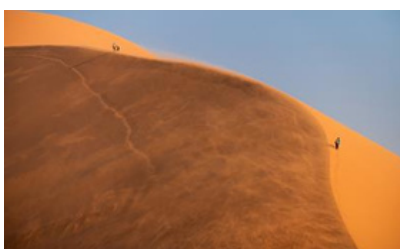
**More 2026 dates to be announced**



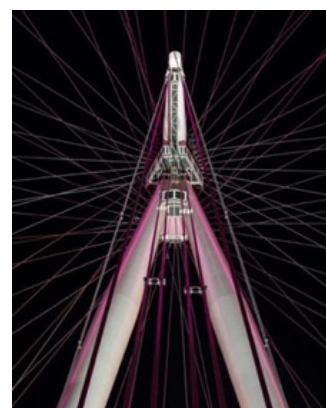
Peter Stott ARPS



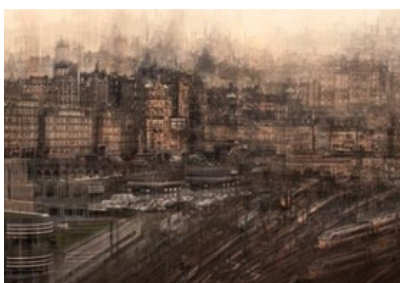
Phillip Dove LRPS



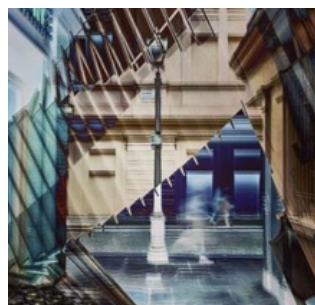
Mark Sims ARPS



Howard Klein LRPS



Morag Forbes LRPS



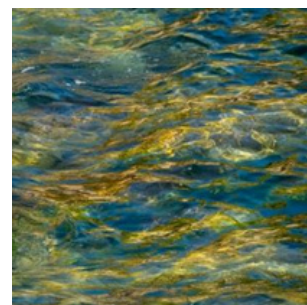
Lesley Peatfield ARPS



Rosemary Wilman HonFRPS



Lindsay Southgate ARPS



Sue Searle LRPS

*Founded in 1853, current patron HRH The Princess of Wales, the RPS mission is to bring inspiration, creativity and connection through photography to people of all ages and backgrounds. The Landscape Group has 1200 members and is one of 16 special interest groups.*

Website: <https://rps.org/Landscape-EXPO25/> Instagram: [rpslandscape](#) X/Twitter: [@RPSLandscapeExh](#)

Contact: [landscapeexhibitionmemberevents@rps.org](mailto:landscapeexhibitionmemberevents@rps.org)



## **The last word.....**

If you would like something included please email Peter or Sam before the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

## **Coming soon .....**

Zoom Talks with

Andrew Allen - Night Sky Photographer [www.scotlandsnightsky.com](http://www.scotlandsnightsky.com)

Neil McIntyre - Author and Wildlife Photographer [www.neilmcintyre.com](http://www.neilmcintyre.com)

Nidar Khan - Adventure Sports Photography [www.nidharkhan.co.uk](http://www.nidharkhan.co.uk)

Dougie Cunningham - [www.leadinglines.net](http://www.leadinglines.net)

## **Adventures.....**

Light Painting with David Gilliver

Night Sky Photography with Andrew Allen



LOTR Hermitage - Samantha Dearlove