



Photography for the beginner

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Course Summary;

Photography over the years has gone through an enormous change. The change from film to digital took a while to take place as the early digital cameras did not produce results that matched the results from film. However, over the last 25 years technology has moved ahead in leaps and bounds. Digital cameras today are producing extremely good results to the extent that film has died and been put to rest.

Digital cameras range from the many 'point and shoot' types, similar to the range- finder style cameras of the film days, to the DSLR, or Digital Single Lens Reflex cameras. While all these cameras, different brands, models and the myriad of features they offer are so different, they all have to do one thing correctly, that is to give a well exposed image, one that is not over exposed or under exposed. This can only be done with the right combination of ISO. Shutter speed and Aperture settings. The image also has to be well focussed to give a nice sharp image.

In just about all digital cameras, all these functions are handled automatically, however, the cameras auto functions do not always know what you want to focus on or what part of an image to expose for. So you then would need to turn the auto functions off and manually set them.

That is what a majority of this course is about, in 10 lessons you will be getting to learn all about ISO, Shutter speed, Aperture, and focus. We will also look at composition in the images and have a look at editing software, and finally other things that you can do with your images, like making audio visuals with them, then also look at naming and storing images.