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Photography Mentoring

"It was my mentor who convinced me that I was good enough."



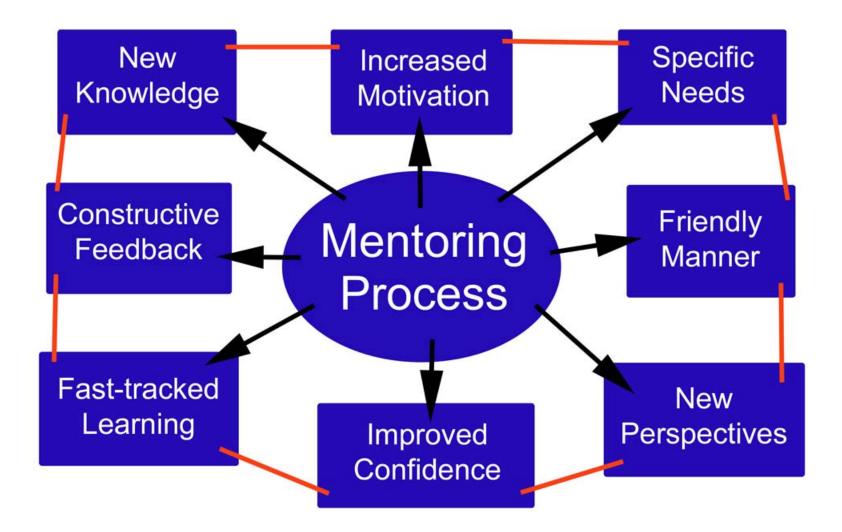
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What is Photography Mentoring?

Photography mentoring is the practice of a more experienced photographer sharing knowledge and expertise with a less experienced photographer, while supporting them to personally grow and learn by experience.

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A range of photography issues and topics are discussed, with the agreed goals that the lesser experienced photographer can grow, develop, and improve their photography knowledge and skills.



- involves a focus on personal growth and learning
- includes a wide range of learning orientated to:
 - > guidance in personal or photography growth
 - > exchange of wisdom
 - > support

- is based on a relationship, not just a procedure or activity
- involves an experienced photographer assisting the development of another

- is provided by a photography mentor who:
 - > facilitates the growth of the person being mentored
 - > provides information, guidance and constructive comments
 - > evaluates the plans, decisions, goals and objectives of the mentee

- is provided by a photography mentor who:
 - > maintains confidentially in the relationship
 - > does not take over problems and try to solve them
 - > supports the person being mentored to make their own decisions



Surfing at Jan Juc

What is a photography mentee?

The mentee is the less experienced and skilled photographer in the relationship, whose developmental needs are the focus of the mentoring partnership. The skill level relates to the particular areas needing development and not necessarily the overall experience of the photographer.

What is a photography mentor?

The mentor acts as role model, teacher, adviser, friend, counsellor, guide and supporter and prepares the mentee for their future photography pursuits. A mentor is a person who leads, inspires, guides and challenges a mentee to think. "Mentoring helps people to understand and work through change and so contributes to the achievement of the mentee's goals and objectives. Mentoring helps people to learn and it supports self-development."



Dog Rocks

Being a mentee

People learn how to be a mentee through being part of a mentoring relationship. With commitment, experience and practice, mentees become better at making the most of the mentoring process.

Being a mentor

People learn how to be a mentor through being part of a mentoring relationship. They have, at various stages, been a mentee and experienced growth and received support and encouragement.

Guidance and assistance

When the mentee approaches the mentor for help, they will be provided with assistance in planning their goals and discussing their objectives. The mentee will be encouraged to discover their pathway with support, guidance and encouragement from the mentor.

Advance to a higher standard

As you are someone with a growing interest in improving your photography, contact Darren Stones and create your new pathway to a higher standard of photography.

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