

Come to a talk by Mike Farley LRPS entitled 'On Photography: a personal view'

Thursday, November 2, 2017, 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM

- [Bromley United Services Club](#) 33 London Road, Bromley

Photography is an unusual pursuit. Unlike most other creative arts and crafts, with today's technology it requires no special skill to take a photograph. The billions of pictures uploaded every day to social media and image sharing websites are testament to that. What those same sites do also demonstrate is that there is more to creating a successful image than simply pressing the shutter release. It is not enough to rely on automation and let the camera decide how best to take the shot.



Photo: *Red Pipe* by Mike Farley

In this talk Mike will examine the broad range of motivations to take photographs and the challenges faced by those who wish to produce more than just run of the mill images. It commences with some examples of his work, which cover a variety of genres, before briefly

examining the role of camera equipment. That leads on to a consideration of the reasons why people take photographs.



Photo: *Shades* by Mike Farley

Mike will then discuss ways to develop photographic skills in order to enhance creativity and obtain overall improvement. Inevitably it will not always be a smooth path to attain those goals and he'll make suggestions as to how to tackle some of the obstacles, such as fallow periods, which might arise. His presentation will conclude with examples again taken from his own photography of how others perceive the resulting images.



Photo: *Brighton or Bust* by Mike Farley

The talk is subtitled “A Personal View” and while it examines the topic from Mike's own perspective, it is structured in such a way that the audience is encouraged to participate throughout. The intention is to inspire people to contribute their ideas and gain a better understanding of their own approach to photography.

There is a £5 entrance fee for this presentation. We recommend that you arrive about 7.45 pm so that you can get a good seat. You might also want to get a drink from the bar, towards the back of the building, which you can bring into the presentation room if you wish.