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SCHOOL *of* PHOTOGRAPHY

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Specializing in One to One Tuition

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# About the School

Do you want to take better pictures? Have you just bought a digital camera and want to know how to get the best from it? Are you struggling with Photoshop or Elements?

If you can answer yes to any of these questions then the Michael Anderson School of Photography has a course to help you get more from your photography.

The Michael Anderson School of Photography specializes in One to One Photographic Tuition at your own home in the Colchester area. One to One tuition gives you the opportunity to learn at your own pace with one of the set courses or a session tailored to suit you.

## **Michael Anderson's School of Photography offers you:**

- Extensive tuition in the use of all makes of cameras
- Three levels of tuition: \*Beginner \*\*Intermediate \*\*\*Advanced
- Tuition in your own home when it's convenient to you at NO EXTRA COST
- In-depth tuition in the use of Adobe's Photoshop or Elements software
- Advice on gaining a Licentiate with the Royal Photographic Society (LRPS)

**The school can give you the knowledge and confidence you need to become a better photographer**

## **The tariffs for the courses are:**

Standard Session - 2½ hours: [Please see the website](#)

Half Day - 4 hours: [Please see the website](#)

Day - 6 hours: [Please see the website](#)

[www.michaelandersonlrps.co.uk/school\\_of\\_photography\\_tariffs](http://www.michaelandersonlrps.co.uk/school_of_photography_tariffs)

To make a booking, please telephone the school on 01206 820665 or e-mail [contact@michaelandersonlrps.co.uk](mailto:contact@michaelandersonlrps.co.uk)

**You can choose from the following set courses or please ask about a tailor made course or session to suit you:**



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**D i g i t a l   C a m e r a   C o u r s e s**

## **\*Beginner's – Digital Camera Course** (Compact or SLR)

Recommended time: 1 x standard session

This beginners course is intended for the person who is new to digital photography and would like to get the most from their camera quickly and simply

### **This course will cover the following:**

- An explanation of the basic camera settings and controls
- Setting up the camera ready to use
- Transferring the images onto the computer
- A guide to taking better pictures

A certificate is awarded when a student can show proficiency with the above

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## **\*\*Intermediate – Digital Camera Course** (Advanced Compact or SLR)

Recommended time: 1 x standard session

This intermediate course is aimed at the person who is happy using their camera on fully automatic but would like to gain confidence in using the intermediate settings and modes

### **This course will cover the following:**

- An explanation of the intermediate camera settings and controls
- Shutter speeds, apertures and ISO - their meaning and use
- Understanding the shooting modes
- Using RAW for better quality images

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## **\*\*Advanced – Digital Camera Course** (SLR)

Recommended time: 1 x standard session

This advanced course is intended for the person who wants to get the most from their Digital SLR

### **This course will cover the following:**

- An explanation of the advanced camera settings and controls
- Using the camera manually
- Flash and fill-in flash
- Understanding the best settings to use in different situations

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**I m a g e P r o c e s s i n g C o u r s e s**

## **\*Beginner's – Image Processing Course**

Recommended time: 1 x 1 day or 2 x ½ day or 3 x standard sessions

This beginners course is designed to act as an introduction to using either Adobe's Photoshop or Elements image processing software

### **This course will cover the following:**

- Organizing image files on the computer (PC only)
- Understanding image file types
- Processing an image using Adobe's Photoshop or Elements
- Printing an image and / or formatting for digital projection

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## **\*\*Intermediate – Image Processing Course**

Recommended time: 1 x 1 day or 2 x ½ day or 3 x standard sessions

An intermediate course covering both RAW processing and the use of layers in either Adobe's Photoshop or Elements image processing software

### **This course will cover the following:**

- Processing RAW files
- The use of layers
- Converting images into monochrome
- Adding borders and text to an images

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## **\*\*Advanced – Image Processing Course**

Recommended time: 1 x 1 day or 2 x ½ day or 3 x standard sessions

An advanced course for people who are confident using Photoshop or Elements and want to take the creative possibilities further

### **This course will cover the following:**

- Further use of layers including blending modes and opacity
- The power of layer masks
- Using blur for creative effects
- Mixing colour and monochrome

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## **S u p p l e m e n t a r y   C o u r s e s**

## Visual Awareness Course

Skill Level \*Beginner \*\*Intermediate

Recommended time: 1 x standard session

A session to increase your visual awareness to enable you to recognise and take better photographs

### This course will cover the following:

- The essential elements in an image
- Composition and the "Rule of Thirds"
- Understanding tonal range, shadows and highlights
- The use of colour and monochrome

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## RAW Course

Skill Level \*\*Intermediate \*\*\*Advanced

Recommended time: 1 x ½ day or 2 x standard sessions

A half day course to explain the advantages of using RAW files and to show you how to process them

### This course will cover the following:

- Setting the camera to shoot RAW files
- Opening RAW files
- Processing RAW files
- Converting RAW files into monochrome

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## Restoring Family Photographs Course

Skill Level \*\*Intermediate \*\*\*Advanced

Recommended time: 1 x 1 day or 2 x ½ day or 3 x standard sessions

A one day course to give you the skills necessary to restore and print your old family photographs

### This course will cover the following:

- Scanning or copying the original photograph
- Repairing and retouching the image in Photoshop or Elements
- Recreating sepia tones
- Printing the image

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## **F A Q S**

# Frequently Asked Questions

## ***Why One to One Tuition?***

One to One tuition gives you the opportunity to learn at your own pace in your own home when it's convenient for you.

## ***I live outside the Colchester area?***

Areas outside Colchester can be covered - please contact the school for details.

## ***How long does a course last?***

Each course has a recommended time but this can vary depending on how fast you learn: you might be able to complete it quicker or it could take longer.

## ***How frequently do I need to have the sessions?***

If the course requires several sessions a good guide will be once a week. However, it is important that you have time to practice. So, if necessary, allow extra time in-between sessions for this.

## ***Is the course suitable for my skill level?***

Each course has a star rating: a \*Beginner's course is suitable for someone with a little or no photographic knowledge - however basic computer skills will be useful. The \*\*Intermediate courses are suitable for someone who has completed the \*Beginners course or who has a reasonable photographic/image processing knowledge. \*\*\*Advanced courses are suitable for someone who has completed the \*\*Intermediate course or who has a sound photographic/image processing knowledge.

## ***What computer skills do I need to have?***

Basic computer skills and a knowledge of Windows. However if you haven't, I can provide tuition in this area as well.

## ***Are the courses PC or Mac based?***

Tuition using Photoshop or Elements can be on either a PC or Mac. However the areas of the courses that cover organizing image files on a computer are for PC only.

## ***There is no course listed for what I want to learn?***

Don't worry, a course or session can be tailored to suit you - please ask.

## ***I only have a basic compact camera?***

A modern digital compact camera is capable of producing excellent results if you learn the skills how to use it.

### ***I don't have Photoshop?***

Photoshop is the industry standard image manipulation programme. It is an expensive package to buy but, if you are serious about your photography, this is the one to have. If you cannot justify the expense of the full version then Elements is available for about £60. This is a cut down version which still offers many facilities of the full Photoshop.

### ***I use an image manipulation programme other than Photoshop or Elements?***

There are other manipulation programmes available - most cameras come with a basic editing programme and Paint Shop Pro has a good following. However, because they are so powerful and well supported, it is recommended that either Photoshop or Elements is used.

### ***Do the courses offer recognized qualifications?***

The courses are designed to help you improve and get more enjoyment from your photography and do not offer any recognized qualifications. Nevertheless, they will help you with any formal qualifications you intend to go for or are studying for at the moment.

### ***Are the courses suitable for children?***

All of the courses are tailored for adults. However, in some cases, they can be adapted for minors. In this instance an adult would be required to be present during the session.

### ***Who is Michael Anderson LRPS?***

Michael Anderson LRPS has always had a great passion for photography which he likes to share with others in his School of Photography. He studied photography at the Southend School of Art & Design and gained a City & Guilds in General Photography. Michael holds a Licentiate with the Royal Photographic Society and is a full-time professional photographer specializing in property. He also runs a Photography & Design Service producing Books, Magazines, Brochures, Greeting Cards, Postcards and Gifts. By passing on his knowledge he hopes that others can enjoy and improve their photography as well.

### ***How long has the School been running?***

The School was established in 2010.

### ***Is the School insured for Public Liability?***

Yes. The School has full Public Liability Insurance.

### ***How do I make a booking?***

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Some student's images



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