

Chirag Bachani
P H O T O G R A P H Y

Chirag Bachani Photography - Photography Essentials Workshop

Course Overview:

The *Photography Essentials Workshop* provides you with everything you need to understand your camera and maximize your creative potential. There are 5 hour-long lessons, 2 half-hour mini-lessons, and an optional hour-long add-on lesson in this course. You will learn to use your camera, compose your shots, and edit them at an exceptionally high level. In addition, Chirag Bachani, an internationally award-winning photographer, will be there to guide you every step of the way.

Lesson 1 - History and Technicals

- History
 - Wet plate photography
 - Film photography
 - Pinhole cameras
 - Dodging and Burning
 - The darkroom process
- Science of Cameras
 - Your camera sensor
 - Mirrors
 - Mirrorless
 - Digital
 - Autofocus
- Types of Cameras
 - Full-Frame
 - APS-C
 - Micro Four-Thirds
- Types of Lenses
 - Wide-Angle
 - “Normal”
 - Telephoto
- Camera Settings
 - The Exposure Triangle (basis of all photographic knowledge)
 - Aperture
 - Shutter speed
 - ISO
 - Focal Length
 - Program Mode

- Shutter Priority
- Aperture Priority
- Manual Mode

Lesson 2 - Theory

- Composition
 - Rule of Thirds
 - Golden Ratio
 - Leading Lines
 - Balance
 - Simplify the Scene
 - Fill the Frame
 - New Angles
 - Framing
 - Symmetry
 - Depth of Field
- The DOs and DONTs

Lesson 3 - Practice

Go to Mandalay Canal Walk, Arbor Hills, Arboretum, Downtown Dallas or a similar place to practice what you've learned with me as your photographic guide.

Mini Lesson 1 - Importing (30 min)

Learn to import pictures from your camera to your laptop or mobile device. Doing so allows you to take advantage of editing your images beyond their initial capture.

Lesson 4 - Basics of Editing

- Basic Panel
 - Temperature
 - Tint
 - Exposure
 - Contrast
 - Highlights
 - Shadows
 - Whites
 - Blacks
 - Texture
 - Clarity
 - Dehaze
 - Vibrance

- Saturation
- Color Grading Panel
- Cropping

Lesson 5 - Advanced Editing

- Tone Curve
- Adjustment Brush
- Graduated Filter
- Radial Filter
- Spot Healing

Mini Lesson 2 - Exporting (30 min)

Learn to export your images for various scenarios such as social media, publishing, and printing.

**Thus far, all editing in this course can be done using Adobe Lightroom, Apple Photos (free), GIMP (free), or a comparable photo-editing application.

Optional Add On - Photoshop Basics (1 Hour)

- Layers
- Healing Tool
- Selection Tool
- Curves
- Hue/Saturation
- Levels
- Dust and Scratches

The Photoshop Basics Add-On will teach you how to manipulate images beyond the capabilities of any other software today. You will learn everything from removing unwanted objects and stray hairs to replacing whole backgrounds. This is ideal for graphic design, branding, business promos, cover art, etc.

FAQs

Is this workshop in person or online?

This workshop can be taken in-person or via Zoom.

Will this workshop be recorded?

No. All sessions are done live either in person or online. However, the presentations will be shared with the students at the end of the course.

Can we contact you with more questions after the course?

Absolutely! I will be happy to answer any questions you have and work through any issues you come across during the course and afterward. Please reach out via the contact info given below.

Will Adobe Lightroom and Adobe Photoshop be included in this workshop?

It will not be included. However, Adobe offers a 7-day free trial of their entire Adobe Suite including those softwares. Students will be helped with the installation process if needed.

Can I register for only certain lessons?

Yes. However, it is more cost-effective to take the entire lesson. Prices per individual lesson cost more than when they are all packaged together.

Do we have to attend the practice session off-site?

The practice session is the best way to understand the information you learned in the previous hours. It is possible to do the practice session wherever the rest of the course is given, but off-site venues typically offer more opportunities to practice various photographic techniques.

Have More Questions? Contact Us.

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