



# Monthly Meeting



## Storytelling Portrait Photography: Documenting the Lives of Children and Families

with Paula Swift, M.Photog.Cr., CPP  
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Wednesday, September 5, 2018  
6 to 9:30 p.m. | Derryfield Country Club

Paula Ferazzi Swift spent 10 years chasing fires and covering news assignments all over Central Massachusetts as a photojournalist at the *Worcester Telegram & Gazette*. When Paula decided to leave photojournalism in 2005, she began focusing on children and families utilizing her photojournalistic skills to photograph the relationship children shared in front of her camera in a natural way.

Paula will share images and the story behind how she captured them, both technically and emotionally. Paula will explain how to capture those unexpected moments, how to get shy children to warm up to you, how to keep children involved in their photography session, use of props to keep the session looking natural, how to incorporate pets, how to capture children on the go, and how to let children be themselves during a session.

Paula has won numerous awards for her portrait work including two Kodak Gallery awards, a Hallmark Award, the Photographic Degree of Excellence by PPAM, Loan and General Collection images at PPA's International Photographic Competition, and 2014 Photographer of the Year bronze medalist. Paula received her Master of Photography degree in February 2015 and her Photographic Craftsman degree in January 2017.

In May 2017, Paula's book *Storytelling Portrait Photography: How to Document the Lives of Children and Families* was published. The book offers ideas for creating a strong and lasting client connection, eliciting memorable moments, finding storytelling locations, inspiring natural action and reactions, and capturing the inter-relationships between siblings and between children and their parents. The book is available on Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and Hunt's Photo and Video stores. Paula will also have books on hand for purchase and to personally sign.

Join us for a buffet dinner and socializing from 6 to 7:15 p.m. followed by the program from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Register online by Friday, August 31, at <http://nhppa.com/event-2979824>. The cost for dinner is \$25 and can be paid online or at the door. For more information visit [www.nhppa.com](http://www.nhppa.com) or contact Tanya Hervey at [tanya@tanyaleeherveyphotography.com](mailto:tanya@tanyaleeherveyphotography.com).



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