

1) Books (Some Examples from Photodoto)

- a. Scott Kelby
  - i. Beginner Digital Photography Vol. I - III
  - ii. Anything Adobe
- b. Bryan Peterson
  - i. Understanding Exposure
- c. Michael Freeman
  - i. The Photographer's Eye: Composition and Design for Better Digital Photos
- d. Brenda Tharp & Jed Manwarin
  - i. Extraordinary Every Photography; Awaken Your Vision to Capture Stunning Images
- e. 100 Simplified Tips & Tricks of Photography
- f. The Complete Digital Photographer (9<sup>th</sup> Ed. Coming out in November)

<https://photodoto.com/photography-books-for-beginners/>

McBain Camera

<https://www.mcbaincamera.com/workshops.php>

Burwell School of Photography

<https://www.bsop.ca/>

<http://www.edmontonphototradeshows.com/>

[www.creativetacos.com](http://www.creativetacos.com) (actions & overlays)

[www.linda.com](http://www.linda.com) (\$25/month or free if you have a library card)

Grant MacEwan Continuing Ed

[https://www.macewan.ca/wcm/schoolsfaculties/schoolofcontinuingeducation/programs/sce\\_00000000269](https://www.macewan.ca/wcm/schoolsfaculties/schoolofcontinuingeducation/programs/sce_00000000269)

Metro College

<https://www.metrocontinuingeducation.ca/adult-continuing-education/program-areas/photography/>

NAIT

Photographic Technology: [http://www.nait.ca/program\\_home\\_77272.htm](http://www.nait.ca/program_home_77272.htm)

Adobe Tutorials (have to buy)

[https://www.adobeyourshotyourstory.com/?sdid=1K8FDJ7H&mv=search&ef\\_id=CjwKCAjw3qDeBRBkEiwAsqeO7igsUo78-RdV4h7E\\_BjmWHcRXdY1BXdbXHO54-0xk4wTXMolFUJtzxoCkpEQAvD\\_BwE%3AG%3As&s\\_kwid=AL%213085%213%21301156830614%21b%21%21g%21%21photography&a=123&gclid=CjwKCAjw3qDeBRBkEiwAsqeO7igsUo78-RdV4h7E\\_BjmWHcRXdY1BXdbXHO54-0xk4wTXMolFUJtzxoCkpEQAvD\\_BwE](https://www.adobeyourshotyourstory.com/?sdid=1K8FDJ7H&mv=search&ef_id=CjwKCAjw3qDeBRBkEiwAsqeO7igsUo78-RdV4h7E_BjmWHcRXdY1BXdbXHO54-0xk4wTXMolFUJtzxoCkpEQAvD_BwE%3AG%3As&s_kwid=AL%213085%213%21301156830614%21b%21%21g%21%21photography&a=123&gclid=CjwKCAjw3qDeBRBkEiwAsqeO7igsUo78-RdV4h7E_BjmWHcRXdY1BXdbXHO54-0xk4wTXMolFUJtzxoCkpEQAvD_BwE)

[www.picturecorrect.com](http://www.picturecorrect.com)

[www.dogwoodphotography.com](http://www.dogwoodphotography.com) : weekly photo challenge to build skills

Edmonton Shutterbugs

[https://www.meetup.com/The-Edmonton-Shutter-Bugs/?\\_cookie-check=ef7N6-FfhPfskLCj](https://www.meetup.com/The-Edmonton-Shutter-Bugs/?_cookie-check=ef7N6-FfhPfskLCj)

Images Alberta Camera Club

<https://www.imagesalberta.ca/>

Creativelive

<https://www.creativelive.com>

Youtube

<https://www.youtube.com>

Chris O'Donnell – Creative Raw; 2x/ yr \$67 for a lifetime membership

<https://creativeraw.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Christopher-ODonnell-Photography-107769092586243/>

Meg Bitton Photography

[https://megbittonlive.com/?gclid=CjwKCAjw3qDeBRBkEiwAsqeO7IDxxTh1wWM\\_EFEbU88ThnOs9LjipTdyDIDI9klZdKXFisi-xRZRBoCZ7IQAvD\\_BwE](https://megbittonlive.com/?gclid=CjwKCAjw3qDeBRBkEiwAsqeO7IDxxTh1wWM_EFEbU88ThnOs9LjipTdyDIDI9klZdKXFisi-xRZRBoCZ7IQAvD_BwE)

Photo Exhibits

Other photographer friends

Practice

Constructive Criticism

Teaching/ Mentoring

Try & specialize in an area

Look at other photographer work

Critique groups

Facebook Groups

- Backroads Alberta
- Group by specific camera type
- Alberta Landscape
- Canadian Landscape
- Kelly Brown Newborn Posing
- Miss Madison's Preferred Photographer's Group (this group is from a dress making vendor but the other photographers and even the vendor are super helpful with cc, colour choice etc.,)

## 2) Equipment

- a. Henry's
- b. Strobepro; S. Alberta, online ordering preferable
- c. Vistek; Edmonton, full range of products
- d. B&H; American, full range of products, can pay duties & customs up front
- e. McBain;
- f. London Drugs; minimal product, in St. Albert Mall
- g. Amazon
- h. Adorama; American, like B&H, can pay duties & customs up front
- i. Camera Store (in Calgary)

Question: Backdrops? The following are possible sources, does anyone have any particular preference?

- Henry's
- Whosedrop
- KateBackdrops
- B&H
- BackdropCanada
- Etsy
- Amazon
- Facebook Market
- Buy/Sell Groups
- Lemon Drop Stop (Children's)

## 3) Most important resource: OTHER Photogs

- a. Mentorships
- b. Collaborations
- c. Peer to peer learning
- d. Second shooting
- e. Assisting
- f. Tutorials (Kelly Brown)
- g. Advice & Constructive Criticism

## 4) Presets & Actions

- a. Free vs Paid
- b. Coffee Shop Powder Room 3 (free and fantastic)
- c. Sun Kissed Photography (more for newborn photography)
- d. Luxe Lens (bundles go on sale pretty regularly)
- e. Jackie Jean (again, bundles go on sale pretty regularly)
- f. Using opacity scale

Things to Look For in Any Resource:

- 5) Credentials
- 6) Reviews
- 7) Updates (When was it last updated?)
- 8) Referrals
- 9) What are you getting for what amount of \$\$?
- 10) Rent first