

# Paradise/Glenorchy



Queenstown Centre for Creative Photography

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## Paradise landscape, aerial, art, Photography Workshop

**Date – May 25-30 2017**

**Maximum group size 6 photographers**

**Cost: NZ \$3836.00 (incl GST)**

### The Instructors

Mike Langford and Jackie Ranken are both Canon Master Photographers and Grand Master Photographers of both the New Zealand Professional Photographers Institute and the Australian Institute of Professional Photographers. They each have over thirty years of photographic experience behind them and have been running photography workshops in New Zealand for over ten years. They pride themselves on their communication skills and patience.

*"We share all the knowledge that we have accumulated over the years with the group and encourage you to do the same. This sharing helps to elevate the learning experience into something really fantastic".*

### About the workshop

On this workshop Mike and Jackie share their favorite photographic destinations at the top of the Lake Wakatipu. What is special about this workshop is access via helicopter to wilderness areas in Fiordland National park and Mount Aspiring National Park.

This workshop is designed to make you think about the photographs you make and why. The discussions around the dinner table at night lead to all sorts of interesting discussions. Each day you will be asked to set yourself specific photographic goals or Jackie and Mike will help to set them for you.

Destinations are weather dependent. Each workshop is unique in that the group has its own dynamics. The workshops are about enjoying photography, and enjoying the company of other like-minded people and we encourage you to be open and relaxed. Each day is a journey to discover light, colour, texture and meaning.

**Critiques** At the critique sessions we spend time discussing what makes a strong image and why. This knowledge is then taken to the next photography session. The aim of the workshops is to teach you how to think and see like a photographer. All students will need to edit their images from each photographic session down to about 12 files. These images will then be viewed and discussed as a group. Some of the edited images will later be included into a book of the workshop. Copyright of the images will remain with the photographers at all times.

**INCLUDED:**

- Five days expert photography tuition from Mike Langford and Jackie Ranken
- Pick up to and from your hotel in Queenstown at the start and end of the workshop.
- Dinner on the first night with Mike & Jackie at their home, including a glass or two of New Zealand wine.
- Three nights private accommodation at Bold Peak Lodge in Glenorchy (Including breakfast)
- 4WD transport throughout the weekend.
- Three hours helicopter flight into the mountains including three landings
- PDF of Workshop book
- One Fine Art print of one of your files from the weekend

**NOT INCLUDED:**

- Insurance
- Flights
- Accommodation for any nights in Queenstown before and after the trip (Please make this yourself according to your taste)
- Lunches and dinners (outside of dinner on the first night).
- Alcohol (outside of the first night)

**ITINERARY****Thursday 25 May 2017**

4.00-8.00 pm - Introduction to the course. Then enjoy a Thai Dinner at Mike and Jackie's home.

Bring along five images on a USB drive to introduce yourself to the group and start discussion. These images can be ones you like or ones you want to ask questions of. This is an opportunity to let us know what you want to learn and allow us to fine tune the schedule for the weekend. Please bring your camera as the view is awesome from our home.

**Friday 26 May**

8.30 am Tutorial. Understanding the creative use of aperture and shutter speed, focus. We go through the new features found in today's modern DSLR cameras. Your photographic equipment should not get in the way of your creative process, understanding what it can do is an essential part of freeing your creativity. Composition lecture and discussion on what makes an image strong.

11.00am Depart for Glenorchy (our accommodation base for three nights). Exploring the landscape along the way including special access to the Rees Valley. Watching the light and stopping when photographic opportunities present themselves, they always do.

4.00 pm Check into the Bold Peak Lodge & then photograph around the Glenorchy township (affectionately known as The Top of the Lake).

7.00 pm Dinner.

8.30 pm Rest and enjoy a glass of wine in the Pub with Mike and Jackie

**Saturday 27 May**

7.00 am Sunrise shoot at Glenorchy waterfront and jetty

9.00 am Breakfast at Hotel

10.00 am Critique of the previous days photos

12.00 am Lunch in Glenorchy

1.00 pm Helicopter excursion into the Huimbolt mountains and beyond

7.00 pm Dinner

8.30 pm Night Photography session

**Sunday 28 May**

7.00 am Sunrise Photography at the Glenorchy ponds

9.00 am Breakfast at Hotel

10.00 am Download and critique images from the previous day

12.00 pm Our destination is the Routeburn Valley (Take a packed lunch with us).

7.00 pm Dinner

7.30pm Night Photography session

**Monday 29 May**

7.00 am Sunrise shoot of the Glenorchy ponds

9.00 am Breakfast at hotel.  
10.00 am Photograph Paradise Valley  
1.00 pm Lunch at Glenorch  
2.00 pm Drive back to Queenstown via Moke Lake  
5.00 pm Drop off at your hotel

### **Tuesday 30 May**

8.30 am Pick up from your hotel in Queenstown  
Debrief, download and printing session on Eizo monitors with our Canon Pro 1000 printer. Jackie and Mike will help you select and edit one of your images and make a fine art print for you to take home.  
12.00 pm **Workshop Ends**

### **The Photographers Ephemeris for Glenorchy, South Island, New Zealand**

In New Zealand the weather can change from day to day. It can be literally 'four seasons in one day' and this is one of the reasons why it is such a fantastic and exciting place to photograph.

Sunrise at 7.42 am Golden hour at 8.23 am Sunset at 7.47 pm Golden hour 7.07 pm  
Moon rise 1.12 am (Waning 78%) Moonset 11.13 am

### **What You Need To Bring**

- Five photographs for the first critique session on the Thursday afternoon (digital files on USB drive or prints). These can be images you like or images you have problems with.
- Please pack a medium size bag. If you are packing for a longer stay in New Zealand extra luggage can be left in Queenstown.
- Clothing for cold, possibly wet weather.
- Torch or head torch for early morning and late evening shoots.
- Hat, waterproof walking boots.
- Insect repellent.
- Small cloth to dry down gear, lens cloth.
- Camera gear, sturdy tripod.
- Camera charger, spare memory cards.
- Portable hard drive to back-up your images.
- USB Flash drive to transfer files to our computer.
- Laptop for editing and backing up your images.
- Enthusias

We look forward to sharing our knowledge with you !

