

# **Photographer Bio**

Dundalk Photographic Society

Photographer: Clodagh Tumilty, AIPF <u>Accreditations:</u> LIPF – September 2014 AIPF – May 2017 Joined DPS In: 2009

DPS Club Level: Senior



# **Overview:**

My husband Brendan and I joined DPS in September 2009. I had never even held a DSLR camera so everything was new to me and very much a steep learning curve. I found that most new members in the club had some idea of what photography involved but I hadn't a clue. My exposure to the world of photography consisted of the use of disposable cameras up to that point in time but I have a keen interest in art and photography spoke to the artist in me. In September 2014 I was awarded my LIPF and my AIPF in May 2017 for a panel of images on the beaches of my home county, Donegal.

I like taking a wide variety of images but I'm happiest strolling along the deserted beaches of Donegal with my trusty camera in tow. I have been known to enter images taken on my IPhone into club competitions also. More recently I have been able to enjoy some travel photography & model shoots.

I haven't been brave enough to enter the world of salon photography yet.





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#### Equipment

We bought a Canon 500D camera in 2009 and whilst Brendan took off, I just stumbled along, not really getting to grips with the camera (though laziness) for about 2 years when I finally decided in January 2012 to really make an effort to conquer this little black box that wrecked my head so much – aperture, shutter speed and ISO, between them they nearly had me driven demented and I almost gave up. If it wasn't for the constant encouragement from Brendan and the fabulous members in DPS, my photography skills would never have progressed. In November 2013, I got a Canon 6D and between Brendan & I, we use a number of Canon lenses but 95% of the photographs I take are with my trusty 24-105 lens.

## Achievements to Date (In Reverse Chronological Order):

## **Club Achievements**

#### <u>2017</u>

- DPS Senior Photographer of the Year 3<sup>rd</sup> Place
- DPS Mono Image of the Year 1<sup>st</sup> Place Dubai Desert Tree

#### <u>2016</u>

- DPS Intermediate Photographer of the Year 1<sup>st</sup> Place
- DPS Mono Image of the Year 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Geraldo

#### <u>2015</u>

- DPS Intermediate Photographer of the Year 2<sup>nd</sup> Place
- DPS Colour Image of the Year 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Tullan Strand

#### <u>2014</u>

• DPS Intermediate Photographer of the Year – 5th Place

#### <u>2013</u>

• DPS Non-Advanced Photographer of the Year – 1<sup>st</sup> Place

Since 2012 my images have been included in the club's panels for the National Shield, FIAP World Cup, PSA & National Club Finals on numerous occasions. I also bit the bullet and



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entered the IPF Print and Projected Image in 2014 for the first time and won my first medal for an image of mother. I could not be more proud that this was the image I won it for.

# **Committee**

- 2011/2012 Competition Secretary of DPS jointly with Brendan
- 2012/2016 Club Secretary
- 2017/2018 Vice Chairman

## **Awards**

## <u>2017</u>

- IPF Gold Medal POTY Colour Projected Theme (Advanced) "Windows To The Soul"
- PSA Projected Image Division Award Blue Ribbon "The Milliner"

### <u>2016</u>

 IPF Gold Medal – POTY (Formerly PPI) – Colour Projected Theme (Advanced) – "The Medic"

## <u>2015</u>

- IPF Silver Medal PPI Colour Print Open (Advanced) "Lonely Chair"
- IPF Bronze Medal PPI Colour Projected Open (Advanced) "Tullan Strand"
- PSA Projected Image Division Award Honourable Mention "Lonely Chair"

#### <u>2014</u>

- IPF Silver Medal PPI Colour Print Section (Intermediate) "Nanette A Life Lived"
- IPF North Eastern Regional Round PPI Mono Print Open (Intermediate) Winner "Grass & Sand"