Jan Lightfoot

Although never formally trained, Jan has always been involved with photography in one form or another. Transitioning from her own darkroom in high school, she joined the Idaho Statesman newspaper photography staff, and also worked in custom color printing labs both in Idaho and California. Later on she became a Certified Photographic Counselor through PMA and manager of Wentling's Camera in Walnut Creek, CA while raising her two daughters. During this time, she also taught photography classes and conducted photo field trips. In 2012, Jan had her first solo gallery showing at Viewpoint Photographic Gallery in Sacramento, CA and continues to show her work in various galleries and venues in Northern California. She has presented a variety of photographic programs to local clubs in the Northern California area and received numerous awards through competitions and juried shows. Jan also leads annual nature and landscape workshops in Northern California and Oregon.

Jan is a member of the Sierra Camera Club of Sacramento and Chairman of the North American International Exhibition. She currently judges for local and international competitions.

Jan's own images tend to reflect a long association with classic and traditional compositions, having adopted a 'less is more' vision. She works to incorporate this philosophy into practically everything she photographs. Searching for the essence of the subject, or that ephemeral quality that is not always obvious, is what she strives to capture; and in doing so, to create a connection with the viewer that touches the imagination.

Contact information and examples of Jan's photographic portfolios can be seen at www.janlightfoot.com