

# Gales of November Wilderness Photography

With Professional Photographer Rob Stimpson

Hosted by Rock Island Lodge on Lake Superior



## Fast Facts

**Description:** Lake Superior lodge-based wilderness photography with a water and storms theme using digital cameras. The instructor is Rob Stimpson ([www.robstimpson.com](http://www.robstimpson.com)). The course is based at a Rock Island Lodge, located at the mouth of the Michipicoten River on Lake Superior, near Wawa, ON

**Food:** Prepared for you using locally produced, non-processed, healthy ingredients

**Dates:** Thursday, November 4 - Sunday, November 7, 2010

**Cost:**  
\$495 Cdn - workshop and meals only, includes taxes  
\$620 Cdn - (Lodge double occ.), workshop and meals, includes taxes  
\$759 Cdn - (Lodge single occ), workshop and meals, includes taxes  
\$349 Cdn - (Lodge double occ) non participating spouse/friend, includes meals and taxes

**Note:** Lodge accommodates first eight guest reservations. Additional reservations will be accommodated at good quality motels located a five-minute drive from Naturally Superior Adventures/ Rock Island Lodge

**Includes** Instruction, feedback and slideshows from professional photographer and experienced instructor Rob Stimpson; all meals; accommodations (as described in prices); technical equipment (digital projection unit, computer)

**To Register** To register contact Naturally Superior Adventures, Rock Island Lodge at 1-800-203-9092 or register online at [www.rockislandlodge.ca](http://www.rockislandlodge.ca) and click on Events.

**Note** This course is designed for digital photographers. Although film photographers are welcome, there is no quick-return film processing facilities in our area.

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## Workshop Overview

Celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

November is traditionally storm season on Lake Superior. Rough seas, dramatic skies and Superior's mighty shores are the powerful land- and waterscapes of a photographer's dreams. Capturing them is a passion of artist Rob Stimpson. This workshop, timed to take advantage of Superior's sourly moods and spectacular scenery, will appeal to the person who knows the workings of their camera and wants to create, not just take, photographs.



This workshop will appeal to those who have a basic understanding of how the camera works (e.g. f-stops and shutter speeds) and where the camera controls are located (e.g. menu, white balance and ISO).

This workshop challenges you to move out of your comfort zones as well as introducing you to new opportunities in wilderness photography.

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## Naturally Superior Adventures

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Due to the location and difficulty of getting film processing in Wawa, the Gales workshop is best for digital photographers. You can shoot film, but you will not get the immediate feedback and convenience digital affords. What's more, there is no quick return film processing facility in our area. Rob Stimpson will provide feedback to those shooting film after participants have sent scanned or hard copies of their photographs.

The workshop is based from our Naturally Superior Adventures and Rock Island Lodge site, located on the shore of Lake Superior. Our front room offers expansive Lake Superior vistas and is the perfect place for discussions and evening relaxation. Our Rock Island site is becoming a popular spot for storm watchers to gather and watch Superior's fury crashing on a rocky shore.

During the course of the workshop we may have the opportunity to take to the water by canoe or kayak, travel to other local photographic hotspots (such as Old Woman Bay or the Wawa Badlands) or hike some of Superior's rugged headlands if weather and interest permits.

Please let us know what your expectations are for participating in this workshop, including what you hope to learn and accomplish. This will help us make sure we meet your needs as a participant.

### About Artist Rob Stimpson

Rob Stimpson is a professional photographer, photography instructor and outdoor guide. He runs his own business, Rob Stimpson Photography, which specializes in outdoor lifestyle images and photography workshops. He's also a member of Arts in the Wild, an Ontario tourism initiative. His travels have taken him to Arctic rivers, trekking in Africa, Antarctica and numerous other adventures in regions of Canada. He has run the photo program for GAP Adventures on their expedition ship in Antarctica. In 2004, he worked with writer Craig Thompson and completed a book for Firefly Books (Boston Mills), *The Wild Art of Ontario: A guide for the creative spirit*. Rob's genuine love of the wilderness and unique ability to capture the spirit of the land on film is an inspiration to everyone he teaches. For more information on Rob and his workshops visit his website at [www.robstimpson.com](http://www.robstimpson.com)



### Equipment and Services

All participants need to bring the following:

- Footwear: Hiking boots are best. We will be walking on rocks and close to the lake so be sure to bring boots with a good tread (insulated rubber boots work well also).
- Clothing: Dress for the weather. It's better to layer up than to bring one warm jacket. Remember, you know how you react to varying temperatures so if in doubt, please bring it.
- Rain jacket: We will shoot in overcast and light rain (makes for great images)
- Equipment: Bring what you normally shoot with and enough card space (digital shooters); if a film shooter (more is better), tripod and a backpack or camera bag to put all into.
- Please note that access to specific photo services in Wawa are not available so be sure to bring enough batteries (remember the weather will likely be cold) and memory cards.
- Your camera's instruction manual: This is essential as problems do arise with newer cameras; the user's manual helps expedite the process of isolating any problem that you may encounter.

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Workshop Facilitator will bring:

- Digital projector
- Multi-card reader
- Laptop computer--PC with Photoshop CS
- Please note: If you do not have a laptop, the facilitator will provide the time to help you upload your images to his computer for slideshows.

If you are a serious digital shooter feel free to bring:

- Your laptop computer (you might want to bring a 10 foot electrical extension in case outlets are distance from your seat)
- Your card reader
- Don't forget any USB or firewire cords that you may need
- CDs or DVDs

### About Naturally Superior Adventures and Rock Island Lodge

Naturally Superior Adventures and Rock Island Lodge are located on Lake Superior, about 8 kilometres south of Wawa, Ontario. Our four-bedroom lodge and Paddling Centre site is on a seven-acre peninsula at the mouth of the Michipicoten River. We're surrounded by wilderness: To the north, the Superior Highlands and Pukaskwa National Park consist of 180 kilometres of isolated coastline; and to the south, Lake Superior Provincial Park protects another 125 kilometres of shore. All told, we're located in the heart of the longest undeveloped stretch of coastline on the Great Lakes. Our unique location inspires adventurers and artists alike.

All four rooms in our main lodge feature great views of Lake Superior and private bathrooms. Our front common area and meeting room has a stone fireplace and looks out on the magnificent expanse of Lake Superior. We have a full kitchen which specializes in Canadian fare with an emphasis on fresh, healthy ingredients. Our Paddling Centre offers guided wilderness sea kayak and canoe trips, tours by 36-foot voyageur canoe, certified sea kayak and canoe instruction and custom trips. We also offer full outfitting service, including sea kayak, canoe and equipment rentals, and vehicle shuttles.



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