

# FUNDAMENTALS OF PHOTO STORYTELLING

Designed for Students  
Grades 6th-12th  
Ages 11-18

Program Length  
3 hours

Park Location  
Epcot®

## SYNOPSIS

Epcot® provides students with the opportunity to explore the art of storytelling through the art and science of photography. Students are challenged to use their creative eye to capture the uniqueness of the park, its iconic settings and the stories they tell, and their own experience through the lens of their camera devices.

A select attraction experience sets the stage for an introduction to the art of capturing an image that at one glance says everything—The Decisive Moment. Students consider the relationship between impactful images, angle, composition, and lighting.

A photo assignment showcases several photographic techniques used by photographers to find timeless moments amid the clutter that can fill their camera lens. With new found knowledge and camera devices in hand, students are encouraged to explore a designated area and capture storytelling images through the application of one or more techniques.

Using comparative analysis, students examine similar photographic images and determine what makes one better than another. A second photo assignment builds upon previously learned knowledge and casts students into the role of a photojournalist providing insight into the need for preparedness and awareness.

Students apply fundamental guidelines for creative captioning and discover how it can add value by connecting an image to a story.

A final photo assignment synergizes students' existing and new knowledge in a challenge to capture an image reflective of the story of a designated World Showcase area.

Students are called to action to celebrate experiences, recognize achievements, share stories and leave a legacy through the images they take.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing Fundamentals of Photo Storytelling, participants will be able to:

- ✓ Discuss and identify photographic decisive moments
- ✓ Apply creativity and photographic elements to produce images with impact
- ✓ Analyze photographs to further develop individual technique and skill level
- ✓ Explain the need and role of preparation, technical competence, and developing a creative eye for capturing an image that tells a story
- ✓ Discuss the need and importance of captioning
- ✓ Develop captions suitable for yearbooks, scrapbooks, newspapers, newsletters, the Internet, etc.
- ✓ Discuss how their experience and skills will influence how they use photographs to tell stories that connect people, places, and events
- ✓ Apply their existing and newly found skills to identify and tell a story through photographs
- ✓ Use comparative analysis to determine what makes one image more effective than another in telling a story