



 Karen Thorburn
Photography

*A Travelogue
With A Difference
Photography Presentation*

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SCOTTISH WEDDING AWARDS 2023

FINALIST



THE 9TH
SCOTTISH WEDDING AWARDS 2022

FINALIST



"Gobsmacked!

A travelogue with a difference.

Compelling watching. We were all blown away.

Excellent!"

Cromarty Camera Club



Hello! I'm Karen.

Thanks for considering me as a guest speaker.

I'm an experienced public speaker and am never fazed by the prospect of standing up in front of a busy lecture theatre (or presenting online).

In this eBook, I'll tell you about my 'Travelogue with a Difference' talk.

I can also offer you a presentation on Scottish landscape photography and wedding photography. Further details are available on my website [here](#).

A Travelogue With A Difference: A Photographer's Professional & Personal Journey



If you're looking for something a bit special, then this is the photography talk for you.

In my presentation, I'll tell the story behind my transition into life as a professional photographer.

It'll be split into two sections: my professional journey; and my personal journey.

Everyone can look forward to seeing several genres of photography, and the personal slant will provoke an emotional reaction from the audience.

Let me show you...

My Professional Journey

In the first half of the talk, I'll reflect on the enormous challenge that was presented to me in 2017, when I set up my photography business after being made redundant.

Although I was extremely busy, I certainly wasn't 'living the dream' in those first few years. However, all of that changed in 2020 when the first covid lockdown hit and I revamped my fledgling business and expanded my service offering to include portraiture and property photography, in addition to weddings and landscape photography workshops.

I'm excited to tell you the rest of the story!







"Karen, thank you so much for a thoroughly involving and enjoyable talk.

We were exhausted just imagining all the different aspects to your work! Incredible!

You certainly deserve the success after all the hard work you put in. Thanks again and we hope to hear from you in future!"

North Berwick Photographic Society

My Personal Journey

In the second half, I'll recount the horror of my dad's premature death coinciding with the peak of my first full season of wedding photography.

I'll contrast that dark time with the joy of my childhood, with a selection of photographs from my family albums.

I'll then take you through my ongoing 'Before and After' photography project, in which I travel around Scotland to 're-create' some of these old family photographs, as a tribute to my dad.

Expect to be moved by this story, but I promise that it's uplifting as well as poignant.







"We're delighted that Karen accepted our invitation to present to our club again.

Our members thoroughly enjoyed the evening, and there was so much variety.

It was a wonderful evening, full of great images and lots of hints and tips for our members."

Milngavie and Bearsden Camera Club

Photography Guest Speaker Fees

In-Person Presentations

If you'd like me to attend your club or society in person, then I'll provide a customised quote based around the length of the talk, travel time, mileage and any other expenses.

Online Presentations to Small Groups

Online presentations to camera clubs, photographic societies and other small groups will be priced at the following rates:

1 hour Zoom session: £80

2 hour Zoom session: £150

This applies to my pre-existing talks, as detailed in this eBook.

Online Presentations to Larger Audiences & Other Exceptions

Additional fees will apply for large audiences and for bespoke presentations, e.g. where an existing presentation has to be restructured to fit a particular remit.

Group Workshops

Maybe you're looking for more than just a guest speaker. If so, I'd be happy to discuss the possibility of organising a landscape photography workshop for your members. I typically run workshops for individuals and couples. However, I've also hosted camera clubs in the past.

I can accommodate groups of up to 10 on a full day photography workshop. Your club would need to organise a minibus or we could car share and drive around in convoy. Your members would need to bring a packed lunch and have an average level of fitness.

You can read more about my landscape photography workshops on my website [here](#).





"Just had to say what a fantastic time Nairn Camera Club members had on the Black Isle workshop.

Your smiling, easy-going way relaxed even our newest members and had them producing better quality work in a short space of time.

Thanks again and I am sure we will be booking another workshop for the club in the near future!"

Nairn Camera Club

How to book...

I'd be delighted to hear from you if you're in need of a photography guest speaker or workshop leader.

Please get in touch by clicking the button below. Let me know your availability; whether you'd like a one or two hour talk; and whether you'd like to proceed with an online presentation or if you'd like me to quote for an in-person talk.

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