

A MINUTE OF YOUR TIME

For this project you will be taking a photograph at the **same time everyday** and documenting a moment in time.

I would further like you to have each photograph accompanied by a short write up. The first few minutes of class time will be used for this. You can also do these write ups at home.

USE GOOGLE DRIVE!

You will need to set the alarm on your phone to a set time and take a photo within that minute of time (if you are driving, etc. pull over and then take the photo)

I want you to comment on what you were doing at that exact moment. The photograph need not be an amazing shot, but I would like you to incorporate the visual elements (pattern, line, perspective, etc.) and compositional devices (rule of thirds, symmetry, simplification, etc.)

The point of the exercise is two-fold;

I would like you to realize that at any moment, there is a photograph just waiting to be taken, and that even the most apparently bland moments are worth photographing. There are interesting things to photograph everywhere. Look for examples of the visual elements when composing your photograph.

You will be handing in a PDF document every month electronically on the first class day of the following month. You will take the photograph the same time every day, and import it into a Google Drive doc.

Beneath each photo, give me a description of what you were doing, and *how you are doing*. By this I mean, how is your day going so far? What is happening in your life? This is a photo documentary as much as a fine art piece. **Below is a sample photo and an example of good and bad write up:*

April 10, 2016



Bad write up: This is a compression tester. I was testing my chainsaw. It was a good day.

Good write up: *I took this photo of my chainsaw while doing a compression test. A compression test is a good indication of how "healthy" an engine is. This photo will accompany an ad on Craigslist for the chainsaw. I got the chainsaw when I bought some Stihl yard tools to clear a piece of property I own in Nanaimo. The guy offered it to me for free. I think I paid \$160 for the yard tools which I still have, and sold the saw for \$140. It sat on a shelf for about 4 years, I wanted to learn how to use it, but it doesn't have a chain brake and I didn't feel comfortable using it. I would really like to, because then I could help clear trails for dirt biking. (It's all part of my plan to be self sufficient post apocalypse as well;)*