

# pure expressions PHOTOGRAPHY

*laughter* A BLUSH *a Hug* PASSION *emotion* LOVE

You better watch out ... you better not cry ... you better not pout, I'm tellin' you why ...



## WHAT'S INSIDE ...

Got the cutest Family?  
You could win a CAR!

Santa is Peeking  
November 9 - 20th! One gift for Toys for Tots saves!

Kids Photo Contest  
Begins November 26th!

Women's Intimates  
Ready to show your stuff?

Back to School!  
Photography Classes are already filling up!

Holiday Schedule  
Deadlines approach

Read Aimee's ...  
latest flash fiction piece under her pen name.

How'd they do that?  
We don't really give away our secrets do we?

Calendars!  
Go on sale November 1st

Find Us Online  
We're keeping up with the Jones'. If you are too, join us!



Moving Moment!  
Congratulations to our September 2009 Moving Moment!

# PURE

## Expression

noun

ex·pres·sion  
indication of  
feeling, spirit,  
character, etc., as  
on the face, in the  
voice, or in artistic  
execution

(dictionary.com)

Agree?



In early 2009, forty-eight children participated in the National Charity Model Search and four of ours found themselves on stage in February at Sandy Puc' tour stop!

In all, donations reach OVER **\$164,000** dollars to our favorite charity - Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep.

This year it's all about the FAMILY and yours could be the recipient of a new car!

## WIN A NEW CAR!

*Kids Photo Contest*

Emily - Age 5

November 26  
to  
December 26  
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CHARITY  
*Model*  
SEARCH II

BEGINS NOVEMBER 1ST!

GRAND PRIZE WINNER  
receives A NEW CAR!

Shoot, submit, you could get a prize (or two or three!!)

Be sure to read the rules and submit your kids photos to us between November 26 - December 26th only!

Any entries received before or after will not be counted.

Prizes from

Learning Express  
Artful COLOR  
pure expressions PHOTOGRAPHY  
Triangle T.R.A.C.K.S.  
Rita's  
Kelly's Kids

## To Decide Otherwise

Written by Aimee Laine

The following was written based on a prompt of three words from a fellow writer.

Name : Diana

Action : dreaming

Place : castle

Diana spent her life savings on the modest home that sat at the top of the rise. It's designation as castle came from its location, the slate that enveloped it and the spire built into the front corner.

She didn't care that it wasn't hundreds of years old, in Ireland or Scotland. Hidden within the cover of dense forest, the former owners had built it with the intention of raising a family of princesses — instead they produced tough and rugged boys.

Like them, Diana had a set of expectations. She'd been dreaming, nightly, of her prince and how he'd find her — a maiden in need of his tending. Handsome. Charming. The fairy tale of men. She'd talk and he'd listen. They'd share meals and wine. They'd make love and create their own family.

But, five years later, she continued to mow, rake leaves, paint and care for her beloved home on her own.

The chore of gathering additional firewood fell yet again into her hands. She thought of having it delivered but fell back on the old adage that chopping it herself would be both good exercise and cathartic.

"Maybe the house is cursed." She said to no one but herself as she stood with ax in hand, prepared to split the logs left at the base.

"Maybe it's me." She added as sweat dripped and her muscles, tired with exertion, pulled the handle and steel down upon the piece.

Had she become an old maid, destined to live a solitary life, never to share love with someone else, a servant instead of royal family?

Her muscles burned with the final chop and the steel buried itself into the stump block. A self-reliant woman she was and would be.

Diana saw the car as it slowly made its way up the drive. It's identification — Independence Realty — was plastered across its side.

Irritation ran through her, not at the intrusion, her neighbors were always welcome and often popped in. This group had pestered her repeatedly in the course of the last few months asking her to sell her property to an anonymous buyer purporting to be a member of the royal family. She'd laughed them off.

The house was her dream, not theirs.

Diana threw her gloves to the ground, tucked her hair under her cap and walked toward the circular, paved drive that led toward and thankfully, away.

The gentleman that exited surprised her. Six feet at a minimum, his dark hair a shaggy short. Piercing blue eyes caught her gaze as she stopped just shy of his car. Her resolve began to fade, though she knew she'd never give up.

"Hello." She called out, arms crossed.

"Hallo." He returned with a faint accent. "My apologies for the intrusion. I am looking for Diana Powell."

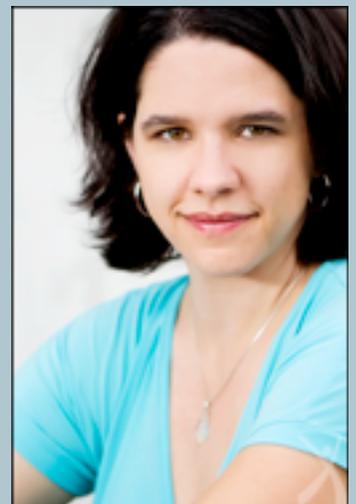
"I'm Diana."

"Ah. Lovely. Wonderful." His hands clapped together as his smile grew.

"And you would be?"

"A dreamer." He extended his hand toward her. "My name is Charles Prince."

Read more flash fiction at [www.aimeelaine.com](http://www.aimeelaine.com)



Santa Peeks  
November  
9 - 20



Where Mom is Santa!

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What will you do for YOU this year?

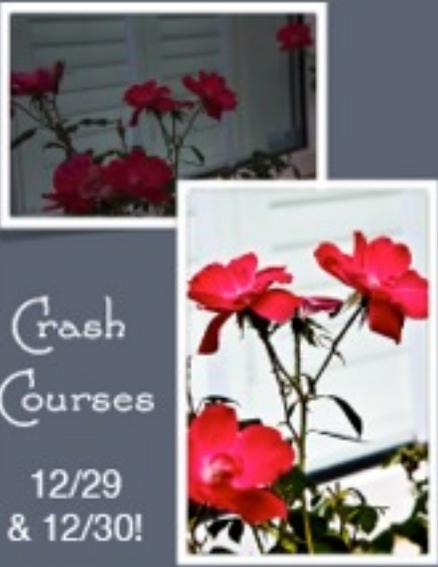
BEGINS  
DECEMBER 1, 2009  
WOMEN'S  
INTIMATES

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Photography Classes  
for kids & adults!

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Begins January 8th!



Crash  
Courses

12/29  
& 12/30!

### Holiday Schedule

Cutest Family Contest  
Begins November 1st!

2010 Calendars on Sale  
November 1 - December 1

#### Santa Peeks

November 9 - 20

Kids Photo Contest  
November 26 - December 25

#### Last Day for orders

(to receive before Christmas)

November 21st

Thanksgiving - Studio Closed  
November 26

Women's Intimates Begin  
December 1

Christmas - Studio Closed  
December 24 - 26

New Years - Studio Closed  
January 1 - 2

Weekly Photography Classes  
Begin January 8th



ADULT CHILDREN  
9.00  
11:00  
12:30  
1:30  
2:45 PM  
4:00 PM

Peak  
City Film  
Festival Begins  
November  
20th!

# How'd you do that?

## Notes from Aimee's Bag of Tricks

**Complaint :** *When I take a picture in front of a window my subject is always really dark.*

Answer : Because you are letting your camera think for you.

A bride in white. A brightly lit window. And you can still see the detail in her dress and even in her veil.

First, there is a separate light, to her right, helping to light the dress. We "blew out" the outdoor on purpose to give it a soft and dreamy feel. But, more importantly the proper settings of shutter and aperture were made by hand. Huh? you say? Learn more in our upcoming photography classes!

Camera Specifications: Canon 5D, Canon 24-70mm, ISO 100, 1/100, f/5.6, 1 fill flash. Photoshop? Yes for the soft and dreamy look.



Moving Moment Voting -- for the last time!

To vote, be a our Fan, then select Like on your favorite photo!

Top 5 go into Calendar | Top 2 get a special something extra!

