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**North Olympic Library System**  
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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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Re: Capturing Nature in Action at Your Library

This fall, rediscover the spectacular scenery of the Olympic Peninsula with local naturalist and professional photographer Ross Hamilton, who will share some of his favorite—and nearby—places to photograph during a free discussion taking place at 6:30pm on Monday, November 7 at the Port Angeles Main Library.

In addition to Hamilton's presentation, the Port Angeles Main Library will host a pop-up photography exhibit and competition throughout the month. The shift of seasons is a great time to grab a camera, lace up your hiking boots, and capture nature in action! Digital submissions will be accepted until November 15, and can be sent to [Discover@nols.org](mailto:Discover@nols.org) with subject heading "Nature in Action!" The first 30 submissions received will be featured in a pop-up installation from November 17-30 inside the library.

### **About Ross Hamilton**

Ross Hamilton has spent more than 40 years exploring the rugged wilds of the Olympic Peninsula, hauling in heavy, large-format camera equipment and yielding striking images of rarely seen gems. During his presentation on November 7, Hamilton will discuss some of his favorite locales and share images that emphasize his artistic commitment to capture nature's raw quality without post-production embellishment. He likens his role as photographer to a journalist who strives to communicate the meaning of a story with complete accuracy and excellence. During

his presentation, Hamilton will share anecdotes of his adventures, and tips and tricks budding photographers can use while shooting in the field. Although impaired eyesight means Hamilton no longer photographs, the roots of his passion for nature run deep, and he enjoys sharing his expertise with others who share his love of the Olympic Peninsula.

### ***Nature in Action!* Exhibit and Contest**

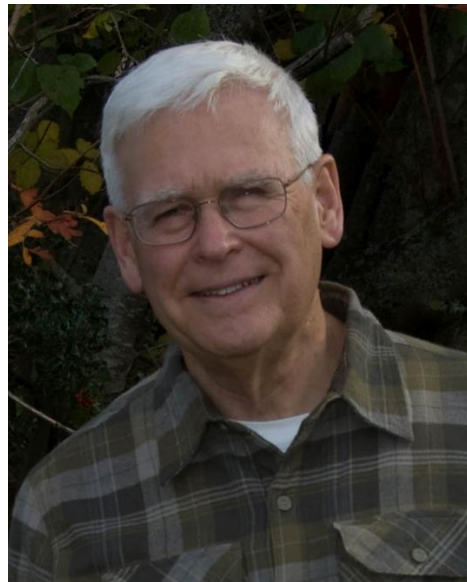
This is an exciting time of year to witness nature's organic cycle, filled with explosive colors and the sweetness of leaves in the air. The North Olympic Library System (NOLS) challenges you to hit the trail and capture nature in action this fall by entering your work in the "Nature in Action!" photography contest. To participate, photographers may submit one image that explores an aspect of nature for the chance to win one of three prizes. Digital entries will be accepted from November 1-15, and must have been taken on or after November 1. The first 30 entries received will be displayed in the Port Angeles Main Library from November 17-30, and be eligible for prizes that include a \$25 gift certificate to Swain's General Store and written feedback from a professional artist. For additional contest details, visit [www.nols.org](http://www.nols.org) and select "Events."

### **Additional Information**

"Nature in Action" programs are free and open to the public, and have been made possible by generous donations from the Port Angeles Friends of the Library. The Port Angeles Main Library is located at 2210 South Peabody Street in Port Angeles. To learn more about the programs, visit [www.nols.org](http://www.nols.org) and select "Events," call the Port Angeles Main Library at 360.417.8500, or send an email to [Discover@nols.org](mailto:Discover@nols.org).



“Sol Duc Falls” by Ross Hamilton



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