

EXERCISE

Mood Portrait

Assignment: Produce a series of portraits that clearly express moods.

Goal: Get more than just a picture of somebody. Capture a particular facial expression or posture to convey something of what your subject is feeling. Try to make the viewer feel the same way.

Tips: There are a lot of moods to choose from. Here are a few: happiness, sadness, curiosity, contemplation, boredom, excitement, friendliness, hostility, arrogance, delight, fear, satisfaction, anticipation, anger, patience, concentration, uncertainty, frustration.

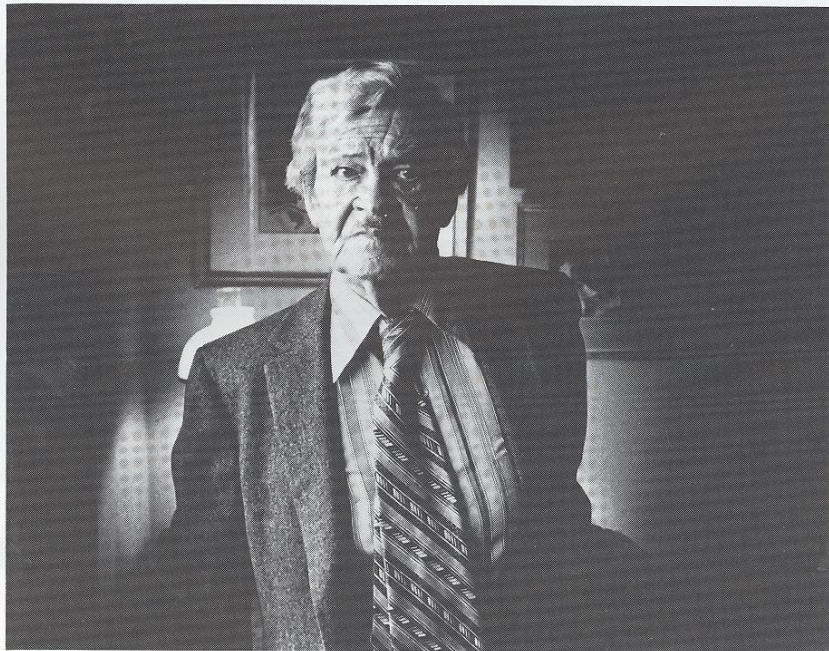
Most of us have certain expressions or gestures that are unique, some particular way of saying who we are. If you think of someone as being jolly, how do you express that? What about solemn? Frazzled? Calm? Excited?

You might try getting several people to interact together. Or go someplace where they're likely to do that on their own, such as a football game. People in groups often don't react the same way at the same time, so you may get several moods in one shot. Alternatively, you might crop in on one person in the group and let the viewer imagine the rest of the scene.

Be selective. Surroundings may be helpful or distracting. Often, just a subject's face will be enough. However, part of the subject's body may also be expressing the mood. If that helps make a better photograph, put it in. If it doesn't, leave it out.



Student photograph by John Shearer.



Student photograph.

Submit 10 Photos

Have you submitted a series of photos that clearly depict a variety of moods (at least 3 modes)? (10 photos)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Have you effectively captured the mood of the person without needing a caption to tell me the mood?

1 2 3 4 5

Have you compositionally arranged the portraits to be a 'great photos' (using the tips provided in the videos and you past skills of "Taking Great Photos") i.e. simplified backgrounds, shallow depth of field, etc.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Is your image properly exposed and focused, demonstrating a knowledge of camera use?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Emailed on time and able to open the first time?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

TOTAL

/45

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