

**CV - EVELYN GIBSON, FPSSA, APSSA (Vers),
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After I retired from business in 1999, I studied photography for two years at the Open Window Academy in Pretoria, South Africa, and achieved a distinction for my Portfolio at the end of the two years.

I then became involved in Club Photography and served on the Committee of PPS for many years and was President for two years. I am now an Honorary member of PPS. I instigated and started MCC as there was a need for another club in my Region. I was President of the club for three years.

I have been a member of PSSA for many years. I have served on the Board of PSSA as Regional Director of Gauteng North and PRO over these years. Two years ago I went back on the Board after a short break as PRO which I enjoy very much as it is dealing with the members of our Society. I run the monthly Club Winners Competitions as well as the Web Site Competition. I also serve on the Honours Judging Panel.

I am very passionate about our Society and this wonderful hobby of ours – Photography. I also assist and judge for the Clubs around the country sometimes remotely as well as visiting the clubs when I can.

My focus initially was on Landscape Photography but now I have developed a passion for all genres of photography. I remember a photographer once saying to me that light is the river on which technique sinks or floats. Emotion, spirit, conveying mood, atmosphere and meaning needs to be there when I capture the image. One must feel they could walk into the image and feel part of it.

My business career and qualification has always been in the field of Human Resources. Before I moved to South Africa in 1974, I was employed in the field of recruitment of staff as well as serving as the Personal Assistant to the Town Clerk (Municipal Manager) of the town I lived in which involved all secretarial work and taking the minutes at the Town Council Meetings.

In South Africa I worked as PA to the Bank Manager of one of our main Banks, PA to the Managing Directors of two big Motor Companies as well as working for a Company in the Human Resource Department recruiting staff.

My final job before retiring from business was Director of Life Line Pretoria where I worked for 14 years training Counsellors, in HIV Aids Counselling, Trauma Debriefing Counselling, Suicide Counselling and Rape Crisis Counselling as well as the running of the Life Line Office in Pretoria and getting funding for this NGO. In this regard I attended many courses in counselling through UNISA.