

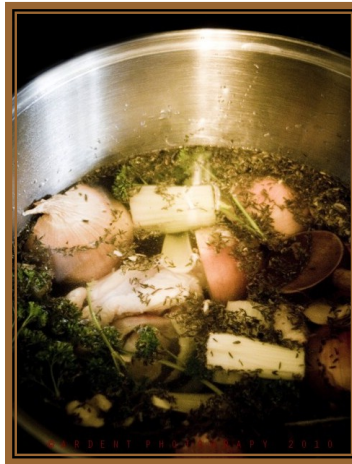
A Unique Vision of Everyday

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Before It Was Dinner

Everyday we put varying amounts of edible substances in our mouths without thinking about where it came from, what it looks like, or in some part, what it actually is. One of the tasks on my plate for 2011 is to finish a cook book that I have been working on. In this book will be a smidgen of this and a pinch of that with wonderful photographs showcasing the beauty of food in all its forms: from raw beef to chicken stock, nutmeg to chocolate banana muffins.



I have found food to be an interesting subject in the last few years. The simple variables of light and fat can make unappealing images from even the most delicious food and yet a mish mash pot of chicken stock can glow with all the warmth of an autumn kitchen. Remember, when capturing your perfect attempt at homemade pizza, the on-board flash is not a good idea.

And Now for Something Completely Different

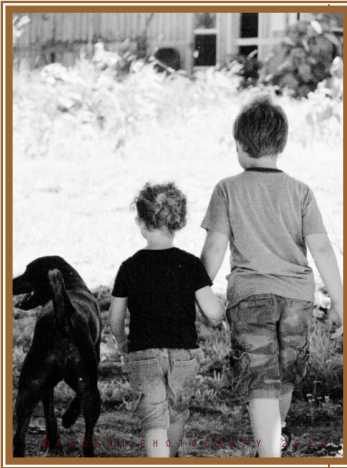
I am starting a new shop on Etsy for another love of mine. I love the cool temperature of stone, the slight clinking of glass and smooth texture of bone. I love putting together different colors and textures and making beautiful pieces of jewelry. I've decided to share my creative eye with the world in a new way, through unique necklaces, bracelets and earrings. The shop is just now going up, so it will take me a little while before I have a good quantity of items, but please come and check out my new Etsy store, Ardent Life Designs (ardentlife.etsy.com).

Snippets

- Need a gift? Find ties, mugs, shoes and more with Ardent Photography photographs at Zazzle.com
- Like one of the photographs you see? Don't forget you can order online anytime through [e-mail](mailto:ardentlife@gmail.com) or my Etsy.com shop.
- I write books too! [One Cream, Two Sugars](http://OneCreamTwoSugars.com)—Poetry combined with photography and [Painting Life](http://PaintingLife.com)—an artistic children's book are available through Blurb.com.

**“A good
snapshot stops
a moment
from running
away.”**
**~Eudora
Welty**

Capturing An Emotion Behind Your Back



Whenever we think of a wonderful portrait, we think of someone's face. The image of a bright smile and happy eyes express the emotion that we desire to see in a photograph. These portraits are wonderful and have their place. So do a different type of portrait.

Through movement and the language of the whole body a different type of emotion is expressed and it is through capturing these images that we can learn not just to interpret the language of the face, but the language of the whole being. I

also love these portraits because the subject has no knowledge of the camera. There is no opportunity for chicanery.

There is only truth.



This was my grandmother's recipe and it was my first introduction to Rhubarb. I love rhubarb and I love this cake.

Rhubarb Cake

Ingredients:

- ½ cup butter
- 1 cup brown sugar
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon soda in 1 cup sour milk
- 2 cups + 1 tablespoon flour (whole wheat if you desire)
- 3 cups rhubarb cut fine
- ¼ cup colored sprinkles (optional)

Topping:

- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease 9x13 inch cake pan.

Cream together butter and sugar. Add soda and milk mixture and the flour alternately, beginning and ending with flour. Stir in Candy Sprinkles and rhubarb.

Pour in prepared pan.

Prepare topping and sprinkle over cake batter.

Bake for 45 minutes or until done in the middle.

OCTOBER 2010

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**\$15 off your sitting fee
if you book your
school portrait
session before
October 31st, 2010.**

**Use Coupon Code:
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The Art of October

- ♦ Henna Scents Class Instructed by Andrea Grassi Molloy from 9am to 3pm October 9th.
- ♦ Progressive Dinner and Live Band at Studio 6 Ballroom on 6th Ave in Tacoma, October 23rd from 4pm until 10:30.
- ♦ Not interested in the Progressive Dinner? Then check out the Art Doors Auction at the Speakeasy Arts Cooperative from 7pm until 11pm.
- ♦ Halloween!

Portrait Sessions

\$75 per half hour for Family, Baby, High School Senior, Individual, Business Head Shot, etc. in a location of your choosing 20 miles from University Place, WA (there is an additional fee for location over 20 miles from my office.) The session fee includes my time and eye during your photo session as well as my ability in post processing.

Prints are available separately.

Within two weeks your photographs will be available in a private online gallery for viewing and ordering.

Book a Session sarah@ardentphotography.com

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Photograph of the Month



A Request...

Do you have a young one in your life?

Are you looking for a fabulous piece to add to their wardrobe?

Check out Super Tot. Created by a local artist and sold at small festivals around town and in her Etsy shop,

supertot.etsy.com.

Super Tot clothing makes a spectacular birthday, Christmas, whenever gift for that little hero or heroine in your life.

Thank you,

Sarah McTernan

