Today, you are doing a Photography Pilgrimage. Each one of us photographs with our own perspective, our own priorities, and our own creative preferences.

Use the prompts and quotes through this Pilgrimage to reflect, on your photography and yourself. Or disregard the prompts completely and follow your own photography instincts! The main thing is that you use this time to capture images that are meaningful for you.
‘Each of us has a distinctive way of seeing the world and representing it through imagery.

Even if two photographers focus on an identical subject, their pictures will be different. They will each compose according to their creative urgings’

Jan Phillips
What’s your focus as you arrive today?

Experiment with your focus.

What difference does it make to the images you produce?
‘Use your camera like a window into what you see...’

Rankin
‘There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it’

*Edith Wharton*

There are many sources of light within the Cloisters, as well as many reflective surfaces.

Which appeals to you most to photograph?
‘A photographer who wants to see, a photographer who wants to make fine images, must recognise the value of the familiar’

*Freeman Patterson*

Try taking a photograph of a familiar or everyday object within the Cloisters.
‘Expand your way of seeing. Look from the bottom up. Look through things. Look from the bird’s point of view or the worm’s.’

Jan Phillips

Change your perspective – try taking a photograph from the point of view of another, whether that be an animal or a person.
‘Professionally, one may have to stand outside the experience one is recording, but privately I want to be more a part of it.’

René Burri

Having spent this time in our Cloisters, we hope that you feel ‘part of it’.

Does that change your work?

Take one final picture.

How have the photographs that you’ve taken changed throughout your time here?
We would love to see the images you have captured as part of your photography pilgrimage.

Please share them with us online using #PhotographyPilgrimage and tag us into your posts!

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