DON EMERSON Biography

Born in Belfast, Northern Ireland in 1952, Don graduated with a B.Sc in geology from the University of Leicester in England before emigrating to Canada in 1974 to pursue postgraduate research at the University of Alberta, Edmonton.

A ten year career in the petroleum industry preceded enrollment at what was then the Western Pacific Academy of Photography in Victoria in 1986.

Now retired from full time photography, he has been a resident tenant at the Old School House since its opening in 1988 after having worked on its restoration as a volunteer.

With his wife Norma and now, two grown up children, Jenny and Clayton, Qualicum Beach has been home since moving to the coast from Saskatoon in 1980.