

# Scene in S.B.: Inspiring Students with Photography

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David Litschel

Housing Authority of Santa Barbara and Arts for Humanity! Team Up for Class

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“I wasn’t so much into photography at first,” said Emily Velarde (right), a student participating in a new class sponsored by the Housing Authority of Santa Barbara and Arts for Humanity! “But once I tried it, I liked it and want to do it more. I’m motivated.” The cell phone photography class, taught by photographer David Litschel, is aimed at empowering low-income and at-risk youth through the art of photography. With a slideshow lesson and hands-on learning, Litschel gives the kids a fun, new way of seeing their environment through basic photographic principals of composition and light. After a “photographic scavenger hunt” around Santa Barbara, Litschel brings the kids back into the classroom for a positive and inspiring critique. See [artsforhumanity.com](http://artsforhumanity.com).