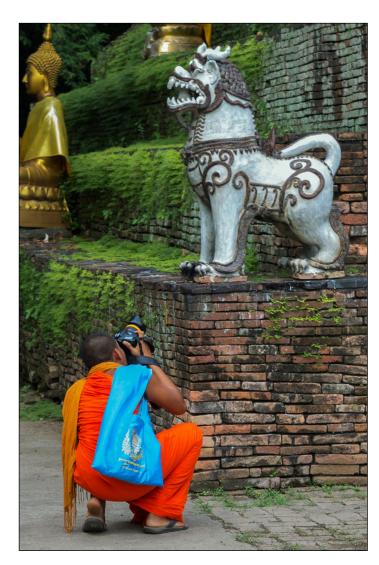


Donna Worotynec (right) was born with Down Syndrome. The 48-year-old woman lives an independent life, but still depends on some support from her mother Mervis. They pose for a portrait in their apartment in the west end of Toronto. Photo by Andrew Lahodynskyj

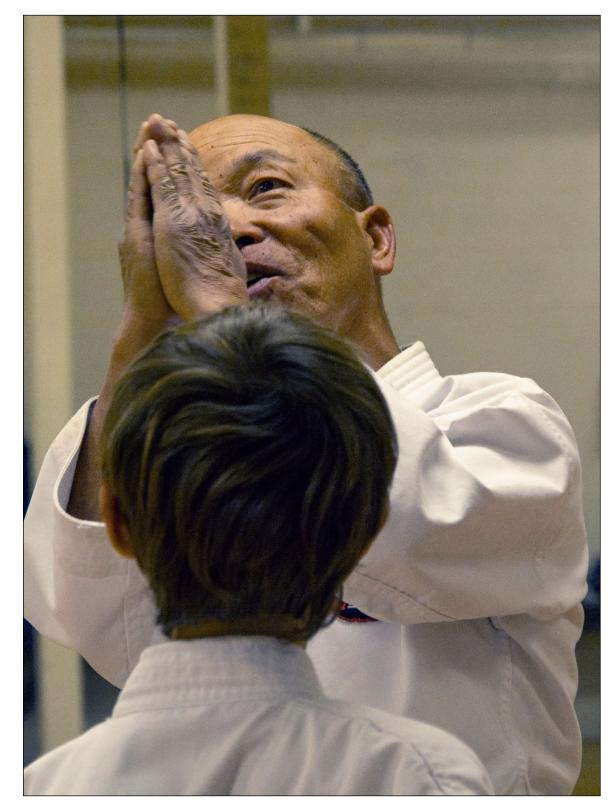


(Above) A Buddhist monk plays tourist at Wat Lokmolee in Chiang Mai, Thailand, on Oct. 14.

Photo by Elaine Bombay

(Right) Kenzo Dozono gestures while speaking to a young student at his studio in Belleville. Dozono emigrated to Canada from Japan in 1969. He's been teaching karate in Belleville for nearly 45 years, and has seen many generations of students come and go.

Photo by Curtis O'Connor







(Above) Cab driver and local artist Robert Fox and his wife Susan Arsenault try to lift their Idog Bourbon away from the coffee table. Over the years, Bourbon has brought joy and hope in the house. They say he is the emotional glue that bonds this family together.

Photo by Gretchen Chi

(Left) Becky Pope shows off two of Prairie Girl Bakery's freshly baked cupcakes before opening the store on Nov. 1. Pope is a fashion student at Humber College who works part-time at the bakery.

Photo by Michele Weisz