

# Why You Should Ask for Permission in Street Photography

**The secret to more success in street photography has more to do with sociology than anything else**

**I give you permission to ask for  
permission.**

# The Ultimate Ricoh GR Street Photography Guide

Settings, Techniques, & The Snapshot Philosophy

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# Mastering Layering in Street Photography

Depth, Presence, and the Visual Puzzle

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**Photography has nothing to do  
with photography**

**Photography has everything to do  
with how you engage with humanity**

# The Big Misconception

“It’ll ruin the moment.”

“It’s not real street photography.”

- Many think asking for permission kills spontaneity
- **Reality: permission can deepen the moment**
- Confidence grows through connection



**Asking for permission allows  
you to work the scene.**

# Shoot Multiple Variations

- The first shot is rarely the best shot. Try different approaches:
- Wide vs. Close-Up
- High Angle vs. Low Angle
- With vs. Without Background Elements





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**I wasn't hunting—I was  
sunbathing.**



**Be a human first. Photographer  
second.**

# Charisma & Connection

Be Human. Be Real.

- Smile. Compliment.  
Ask questions

- Body language  
speaks louder than  
words

- Charisma is  
practiced by doing





**Experience life and bring your  
camera for the ride**

# Emotional Closeness

Closeness Isn't Just Physical

- **Emotional connection > proximity**
- Ask. Converse. Care.
- The photo is a reflection of the relationship you build.



# Start With Permission

Permission = Freedom

- Break the ice, especially as a beginner
- More yeses → more reps → more charisma
- Use the Instax trick: Give before you take



# The Instax Technique

## Your Secret Weapon

- Instantly builds trust
- Makes photography a gift
- Transcends language & culture
- Opens doors (literally)

In Jericho, it led to mountaintop dancing.



# Real Example: Brothers in Jericho







**The world is a playground**



# The Playground Mindset

Photography = Play

- Think like a kid again
- Climb, wander, dance, explore
- See the world as new









**Photography is a reflection of  
your courage and your heart.**

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