Lexington KY

This month: Bill Fortney May 15, 7:00 pm



Bill Fortney is a Kentucky based professional photographer, who describes himself as a very serious amateur shooter. He says he shoots and teaches for the sheer joy of it. Bill spent a decade plus as the Nikon Professional Services Tech Rep covering the Southern United States and representing Nikon for the nature market. This put him in contact with talented group of professionals covering a vast array of events and shows across America, including Shuttle launches, Air Races, Air Shows, The Masters, PGA Championships, NASCAR races, The Kentucky Derby and the Breeder's Cup. He also worked with NFL teams, college sports programs, major newspapers, and magazines, law enforcement agencies – well you get the picture.

A year ago Bill moved to Fuji and has been working with and reporting on their X-System, which he gives a 5/5 rating.

Bill leads a number of photography workshops each year in some of America's most beautiful places. He has a number of publications, including America From 500 Feet featuring images taken with his son from ultra-lite aircraft.

Check out his website for more information about Bill, his work, and his faith. www.billfortney.com



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What's coming up?

June - Competition: Birds

July – Tom Fielder, Architect, iPhonephotographer and world traveler, will be back to share his particular eye on the world.

August – Competition: Boats

Check your calendar

The Downtown Arts Center is a great venue for our Annual Print Show. It is not available this year during the November – December timeframe that we traditionally have our show. The gallery is available in January – February of 2015. We'll have more information and details at the meeting and in upcoming newsletters.

First Thursday

This month we arranged some macro table top opportunities using predominately plants. Several members brought some neat gear to help make it easier to shoot flowers in the field. We're looking forward to seeing those shots in a later meeting.

Now we are ready to venture out to the Arboretum for a location shoot for our meeting June 5. We will meet at the church at 7.00 pm to get oriented and walk over from there. Be sure to bring your cameras and tripods. If you prefer, you can meet us there. If it rains we do have a fallback plan at the church. We will take a look at the table top shots from May and do some planning for the rest of the year.

July 3 we will offer an instructional session on photographing fireworks. This will get us ready for capturing the Independence Day celebrations on the 4^{th} . If you have some neat shots to share, bring them on a thumb drive. If time allows, we will also review flowers from the May table tops.

August 7 - DIY Workshop on Converting Negatives
Do you have 100's or 1000's of negatives that you
want to convert? Have you considered converting
them yourself but don't know where to begin?
Paul Briggs offers a hands-on workshop to show us
how to efficiently convert our film negatives into
quality digital images, using a scanner or digital
camera. Please bring a digital camera or smart
phone, and some sample negatives. If you have a
laptop, please bring it too, as well as a means to
transfer your camera images to your laptop. Paul
will be using a photo editing program called
PhotoLine and some plugins to convert the
negatives; if you have Photoshop that will also work.

Getting Out and About

Founders Day at McConnell Springs May 17, 2014

Bluegrass Classic Stock dog Trial May 14 - 18, 2014 **Kentucky Sheep & Fiber Festival** May 14 - 18, 2014

For info: www.lexingtonky.gov Special Events

SHAKER VILLAGE - Wildlife Cruises to the Blue Heron Rookery Saturday May 17; 10am – noon; \$50

FRANCISCO'S FARM ARTS FESTIVAL

Saturday May 17, 2014 - Sunday May 18, 2014 Featuring over 100 juried artists and craftsmen, music and entertainment, food venders and kids' activities! Time: Saturday 10am to 6pm, Sunday 10am to 5pm.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS – EKU Richmond KY June 6 - 7

LEXARTS' GALLERY HOP - Friday Jun 20; 5 – 8pm

PURA VIDA: BUTTERFLIES OF COSTA RICA KROHN CONSERVATORY – CINCINNATI OH

through June 22, 2014
Open Daily 10:00am - 5:00pm
\$7 adults • \$4 children • 4 & under are FREE!

\$12 Unlimited Admission Pins

BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR

May 28, June 11 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Tours are available only on the specific dates offered and it gives small groups an opportunity to get an educational program, hands on up close butterfly experience. Each participant gets to release a butterfly into the exhibit.

BUTTERFLY PHOTO CONTEST

Photos due by May 30

Send us all your great photos for the chance to win!
Send your submissions to photos@butterflyshow.com
Rules: Butterfly Show Photo Contest

http://www.cincinnatiparks.com/butterflyshow/images/special events/%20ButterflyPhotoContestRules.pdf

And the Winner IS..

Competition: April 17, 2014

Topic: Rusty

Advance	ed-Color	(25 Entries)
1st	Jeff Lackey	
2nd	John Robinson	
3rd	Tom Myers	
НМ	Allen Dawson	
Interme	ediate-Color	(18 Entries)
1st	Jack McKinney	
2nd	Rob Bentley	
3rd	Rob Bentley	
НМ	Richard Smith	
Beginne	er-Color	(27 Entries)
1st	Arun Sankaranarayanan	
2nd	Judy Cox	
3rd	Kaye Arnold	
НМ	Terry Bailey	
Advance	ed-Black & White	(3 Entries)
1st	Charles Zehnder	
2nd	Roger Ballard	
Interme	diate-Black & White	(2 Entries)
1st	Raymond Bailey	
Beginne	er-Black & White	(8 Entries)
1st	Christine Sauer	
2nd	Arun Sankaranarayanan	
3rd	Terry Bailey	
НМ	Carolyn Nichols	

Do Something Good

From Mark Buerger Communications Director, Special Olympics Kentucky

Greetings All:

It's that time of year again when I send out requests for volunteer photographers for the Special Olympics Kentucky State Summer Games. All of you have been generous enough to donate your time and considerable talent in the past, so this is the group I usually start with.

This year's dates are June 6 (opening ceremonies, some competitive events) and June 7 (all competitive events) at Eastern Kentucky University. As always we can use as many helpers as we can muster.

As we have for the past several years, we will post all the photos on a Web site for our athletes and their families to look through, share and order prints (at no charge beyond Shutterfly's charge) and we will use many of the photos in marketing or other materials throughout the year. You will retain all files to use as you wish after the Games.

Once again, I can pay you in a t-shirt, lunch (much improved this year. Provided by Chick-fil-A and cooked on site!) and my sincere thanks.

Let me know if you can help this year and if so, which day or days and if you have an event preference to shoot.

Thank you all so much for your dedicated support of Special Olympics Kentucky. I look forward to seeing and working with you again in June!

Ward Ransdell is the Club Coordinator for this event. He will have a sign up sheet at the meeting on Thursday. You can also contact him at ward_ransdell@yahoo.com.

More Things to See & Do

Blue Ridge Parkway – 2014.

The CCC's Blue Ridge Parkway trip to North Carolina takes place this year on June 26th-29th. Come and experience the beauty of waterfalls, wildflowers and breath-taking sunrise/sunset vistas.

Recommended accommodations include
Maggie Valley Creekside Lodge
(Maggie Valley, NC, 828-926-1301. Mention
"Camera Club" to get our discounted rate) and

Best Western Smoky Mountain Inn (Waynesville, NC, 828-456-4402).

You can sign up at the club meetings or e-mail John Snell (john@johnsnellphoto.com) with your name, # of people in your party, expected arrival date and phone number (preferably cell#). Signing up does not obligate you, but ensures you'll receive information about lodging, directions, photographic venues, etc. regarding the trip. I hope you'll join us for this fun-filled photo event!

Hasselblad 50 Megapixel

K&R Photographics & Hasselblad are joining forces for 2 sessions of a hands-on tour of the Hasselblad H5D-50c at K&R's new rental studio, W. 8th Street Studios in Cincinnati on Tuesday, May 20th. Each session (3-5pm and 6-8pm) includes technical instruction and a live fashion model shoot using the H5D-50c. Advance sign-up required. Call 859.341.6986 to reserve your spot.

More Club Information

October Competition Clarification — We've been asked if photos taken at National Monuments or state nature preserves qualify for the "State & National Parks" competition in October. To simplify, if the name of the venue does not contain the words "National Park," "State Park" or "State Resort Park," the photos do not qualify for the competition. Sorry, John Snell, neither Red River Gorge (National Geological Area) nor Keeneland (National Historic Landmark) will qualify.

Gallery Hop 2015 – LexArts has announced that they are adding another Gallery Hop date to the 2015 calendar. To accommodate the additional date, the entire calendar will change. Next year, the Gallery Hop will begin in January and run every other month through November. This coincides quite nicely with our Annual Print Show, which will be in January 2015.

Art at the Cathedral – We have been asked back to host an exhibit of photography at Christ Church Cathedral, 166 Market Street, Lexington in July of next year.

Five Minute Member Slide show - get your name on the list so you can share your work with the Club. Slide shows should be no more than 7 minutes long. Bring it on a thumb drive, preferably as an executable.

Jan	2	Pick up Prints	Jul	3	Shooting Fireworks
Juli	9	Camera Petting Zoo	Jui	17	Tom Fielder
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	16	Henry Dietz -	_	_	D 10: 0 : 1
Feb	6	Preparing Competition Images	Aug	7	Paul Briggs – Scanning Images
	16	Competition Submission CLOSES		17	Competition Submission CLOSES
	20	Dean Hill		21	Competition: Boats
		Competition - Members Choice			
	21	Gallery Hop			
Mar	6	Print Workshop (members only)	Sept	4	First Thursday
	20	Guy Mendez		18	Club Meeting
	29	Basics Workshop			
		(Clark Co Library)			
Apr	3	First Thursday	Oct	2	First Thursday
	13	Competition Submission CLOSES		12	Competition Submission CLOSES
	17	Competition: Rusty		16	Competition: State and National Parks
	18	Gallery Hop			
May	1	Flower Macros	Nov	6	First Thursday
	15	Bill Fortney		20	Club Meeting
				21	Gallery Hop
Jun	5	Arboretum Walkabout	Dec	4	First Thursday
	15	Competition Submission CLOSES		TBA	Christmas Party - Fasig Tipton
	19	Competition: Birds			
	20	Gallery Hop			

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