



CCC NEWS

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Important Reminders

February 16
Reflections Submission

February 20
Reflections Competition
Critique: Bill Cole

February 24
Insect Salon Competition

March 3
Board Meeting
6:30 Bonte Bistro

March 5
First Thursday
Low Light-before and
After the Shutter Release

March 14
Pick Up WUKY 10 AM-noon

Meetings at Crestwood Church
1882 Bellefonte Dr, Lexington

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Bill Cole to Critique Reflections



About Bill: I try to use my camera to honor the storytelling of my photojournalist roots and the ways of seeing light and dark I was taught by other mentors over the years. All of my photographs have stories behind them. Some of those stories are easily recognizable and known widely while some are very private and personal. Sometimes they are happy stories, sometimes very sad. But if an image does not tell a story I leave it there until it does.

I photograph bourbon because of the stories it tells. Every bourbon brand has a story. The days of prohibition, bonding and speakeasies are legendary and the characters are beyond colorful. Despair, comedy and tragedy are as integral to the spirit as corn yeast. I tend to focus my lens The hope of filling a barrel today and waiting, patiently or not, for years to taste the final product. Of building for a future down the road instead of for today. Meeting the producers, hearing and telling their stories....



Welcome New Members!

Dina Badie, Lexington, KY Nikon 7200,
Shoots Travel, Architecture & Landscape

Joseph Bark MD, Lexington, KY I-
Phone & Nikons Shoots: Macro & Nature

Shuling Fister, Lexington, KY Canon
Shoots: Portrait, Landscape, Theater
Dance

Robert Garrett, Nicholasville, KY Nikon
3500 Shoots: Landscapes, Macro, &
Everything

Robert Holton, Lexington, KY Nikon
610 & Sony A7R

Michelle Kline, Lexington, KY Nikon...
Shoots: Everything

Brian Lanier, Versailles, KY Canon
Shoots Portraits, Kira, Brian

Kira Lanier, Versailles, KY Canon
Shoots Portraits, Kira, Brian

Savannah Lanier, Versailles, KY
Cannon Shoots Portraits, Kira, Brian

Ken Lutes, Winchester, KY...Nikon;
Fuji...Shoots: Nature & Everything

Rick Metzger, Versailles, KY Canon7D
Shoots: Landscape, Wildlife & Everything

Thomas Oaks Jr, Nicholasville, KY
Nikon 7200 Shoots: Wildlife, Panoramic,
Landscapes

Matthew Quigley, Lexington, KY
Canon...Water Skiing

David Robillard, Richmond, KY Nikon
800 Shoots Landscapes & Portraits

Carter Caves March 7



The Creative Camera Club of Lexington has ventured into Carter Caves' Cascade Cavern several times over the last number of years. We go once again on March 7th, and this time will include a foray into X-Cave as well...

I'll have signup sheets at the next meeting, but signup is not required. We will meet at the Lodge for a Breakfast Briefing for those that want to at 9:00. Then we'll head to the caves at 10:00 (Meetup at the lodge) A further schedule will be posted as we get closer.

Lighting will be supplied by Utopia Imagery Studios and Three O studios for the shoots. Bill Cole of Three O has one of the most amazing shots I've seen in the cave!

I have taught the cave photography workshop at Carter Caves for the last three years, so I, along with others who have assisted me, will be there to help you get the best shots you can.

This is a fairly easy shoot. The caves are lit (till we turn the lights out, which we do) and are on graveled paths with handrails etc. So very accessible. There are a few easy flights of stairs. I hope you can join us!

First Thursday

March 5: **Low Light Photography: Before and After Shutter Release plus Child's Toys:**

Capturing images with little light is a challenge but also a creative opportunity. This month's workshop will feature low key lighting setups along with Parham showing how one can use Photoshop to get different creative results after image capture. The competition topic is Child's Toys so bring along your camera, a toy or two, and play with the lights as well!

February 6 **Reflections Workshop**

Photos by Joe Omielan



Find your best bug shots!



The Creative Camera Club is one of the sponsors of the North Central Insect Photo Salon. This is a worldwide competition that has images coming in from many different countries. **There is a special award competition for CCC Members.** Go find your images of insects or other arthropods (spiders, scorpions, millipedes, etc.) and enter.

Remember that shot on the Blue Ridge Parkway, that butterfly house, that bug in your kitchen or your back yard? To apply, go to the CCC website and download the entry form (go to the "Insect Salons" tab at the top).

**The entries will close on
February 24th.**



The Lexington School of Photography

Late Winter 2020 offerings

February 12, 7-9 pm **Lightroom and plugins Q&A**

Have a question about Lightroom? Interested in seeing how plugins can speed up your workflow and deliver better results? This one is for you. Tuition \$50.

February 16, 2 to 5 pm **Beauty Photography Workshop**

Come out to shoot and learn post production on a beauty shoot. Tuition \$75 + model fee \$25

MEET AND GREET February 18, 6-8 pm

Come meet the instructors, ask questions and look around. No fee, light refreshments.

February 19, 7-9 pm **The 85s: A three lens test**

This class will look at 3 very different lenses from Canon: The 85mm primes at 1.8 (about \$300), 1.4 (about \$1400), and 1.2 (about \$2000). We will look at WHY and HOW they are different, how it affects your shooting, and help you decide 'bang for the buck.' Tuition is \$50.

February 22 **1 light, 2 lights, 3 lights MORE!!**

9 to 11 am One light workshop

Noon to 2 pm Two light workshop

3 to 5 pm Three light workshop

Tuition \$30 per session, 2 for \$55, all 3 for \$75

February 26, 7-9 pm **Frequency Separation**

You've heard about it, now come learn how to do it. A quick and easy technique to even out skin tones and background issues in Photoshop. Tuition is \$50.

ALL CLASSES TAUGHT AT THREE O STUDIO 400 OLD VINE ST SUITE 210

To register or for more info contact Bill Cole at billcole@twc.com or on Facebook

Definitions for 2020 CCC Competitions

Reflections (February)

Images where the subject of the image is either wholly or in part a reflection. Images which simply include an incidental reflection should not be submitted. Consider If the reflection were not present in the photograph would it be significantly different?

Children's Toys (March)

Images in which the subject is a child's toy.

Inclement Weather (May)

Images which focus on weather as a phenomenon or the after effects of weather. Examples would include images of snow, ice, fog or storms. PLEASE consider photographer safety when pursuing these images.

Music (June)

Images which include musical components. These components could include musical imagery, performers, instruments or the like.

Graffiti (July)

Images where the subject is unauthorized, non-commissioned artwork commonly referred to as graffiti and viewable from a public setting. Please note that murals are specifically excluded from this topic. It is NOT enough to simply have graffiti in the image—the graffiti must be the subject of the image.

Madison County (September)

Images taken in or focusing on Madison County, KY. NOTE: images for this contest MUST be taken between July 1, 2019 and the date of the contest submission. No archive or catalog images should be submitted.

Fairs and Festivals (October)

Images taken involving organized fairs or festivals. This can include everything from a small festival to an organized event such as the State Fair.

Photography Weekend Pine Mountain Winter

Parham Baker, Ruth Oremus, Joe Omelian, John Snell, Bill Adams, Jack Thomas, Ron Grote, Jack McKinney and Jan McKinney of the

Creative Camera Club enjoyed a weekend at Pine Mountain Resort for the annual Pine Mt Winter Photography Weekend. Although the rainy, overcast weather challenged everyone's photography skills it didn't seem to dampen anyone's spirit. The camaraderie is perhaps the most fun part of the whole weekend.



1st Jan McKinney

The largest division was the Advanced Division with 23 attendees but in spite of the competitiveness, 4 of our

members distinguished themselves with winning Advanced awards. We also had winners in the Intermediate division but sadly we had nobody in attendance from our club's Beginner Division. The following is a complete list of all the CCC winners for the weekend.



1st Joe Omelian

Bill Adams won 1st in "Architecture"
John Snell won 1st in "Black & White"
and 1st in "Power of Photoshop"
Parham Baker won 2nd in
"Architecture"

Joe Omelian won 3rd in "Rust" and 3rd in "Black and White"

Jack McKinney won 3rd in "Rural"

Jan McKinney won 1st in "Clear Creek", 1st in "Rural" and 2nd in "Rural"

Joe Omelian

Jack McKinney



Jan McKinney



Jack McKinney





The Market, March 14-15

Two CCC members, John Snell (Booth #708) and Roger Ballard (Booth #307), will have their photography work for sale at the Kentucky Crafted: The Market next month. You're invited to see John's & Roger's work, plus that of nearly 150 other exhibitors of fine art, crafts, books and food. The event also features two days of Americana, bluegrass and world music performances, specialty food products from Kentucky Proud members and hands on activities. It takes place at the Alltech Arena at the Ky Horse Park on Saturday, March 14th (10am-6pm) and March 15th (10am-4pm). Admission is \$10/adults (Children 15 and under admitted free with adult admission). Parking is \$5.

Wildflower Weekend, April 3-4 Natural Bridge State Resort Park.

This event offers wildflower hikes Friday and Saturday. The guided hikes, led by some of the best botanists in the state, will explore the region's rich natural history and resources in the state park and the Red River Gorge. Hikes will cover various topics including wildflowers, ferns, woody plants, bryophytes, plant identification 101, and more. Friday evening, there will be a social to meet your fellow native plant enthusiasts. We are also offering an outdoor yoga class Saturday afternoon. Our keynote speaker this year is Mike Homoya. Mike is a recently retired botanist and plant ecologist who worked for the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. You will also hear from three of our student grant recipients who will present on their graduate research projects. This event is open to the public and kid-friendly. Registration is on-site at the Hemlock Lodge in the lobby. Admission is \$10.00



the place where creativity grows

The Living Arts & Science Center's H'ARTFUL OF FUN

Living Arts and Science Center

Saturday, May 9th, 2020, 7:00 – 11:00 PMT

This year we need your continuing support even more! We are reaching out to you, as an important and valued friend and supporter of the LASC, to participate in this year's **invitational only**

H'Artful Art auction.

ARTWORK DONATION FORM

To be included the LASC's *H'Artful of Fun* and pre-event publicity, please return this form to the LASC by Friday, March 20th at 4PM or earlier. Artwork will need to be delivered by Friday, April 3rd by 4PM to support!

Artist Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____
ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

To artists contributing to our May 9th, H'Artful of Fun, we will recognize your support through:

- one free ticket to the event (a \$120 value) for donated artwork with a total retail value of \$300 and up;
- or a 1/2 price ticket (up to 2) for artwork with a total retail value of \$150 - \$299;

All art donors will also receive:

- a complimentary LASC membership;
- a 30% return of the final purchase price for contributing artists with a total retail value of \$150 or more.

for adults,

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For information or questions:

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The Creative Camera Club (CCC) can trace its roots back to the Lexington Camera Club of 1930s. We welcome anyone interested in the art and science of photography from amateur to professional.

2020 Calendar**January**

- 9 Petting Zoo
- 16 Shelly Wright, modern choices in matting and framing. MSS: John Snell & Karen Higdon
- 17 Gallery Hop and Reception 7:00 PM WUKY 2640 Spurr Road

February

- 4 Board Meeting : 6:30 Bronte Bistro
- 6 Lights and Reflections, Lights will be set up.
- 16 Competition: Reflections - Submission Closes
- 20 Competition: Reflections Critique: Bill Cole
- 24 Insect Salon Competition Closes

March

- 3 Board Meeting : 6:30 Bronte Bistro
- 5 First Thursday: Low light, before and after.
- 15 Competition: Toys - Submission Closes
- 19 Competition: Child's Toys Insect Salon Best Portrait

April

- 2 First Thursday: TBA
- 16 Ray Daughtery: Western USA

May

- 7 First Thursday: TBA
- 17 Competition :Inclement Weather-Submission Closes
- 21 Competition Inclement Weather

June

- 4 First Thursday:TBA
- 14 Competition Music-SubmissionCloses
- 18 Competition: Music

July

- 2 First Thursday:TBA
- 12 Competition Graffiti -Submission Closes
- 16 Competition : Graffiti

August

- 6 First Thursday:TBA
- 20 TBA

September

- 3 First Thursday:TBA
- 13 Competition Submission Closes:Madison County
- 17 Competition:Madison County Critique

October

- 1 First Thursday :TBA
- 11 Competition Submission Closes: Fairs and Festivals
- 15 Competition: Fairs and Festivals : Critique

November

- 5 First Thursday:TBA
- 19 Regular Meeting

December

TBA