CCCNEWS

The Creative Camera Club | Lexington, KY. | CCC News

Reminders

April 15 Ron Gaskins Thirteen Things Photographers Are Doing Wrong Graffiti Competition: Ron Gaskins - Critique SIG: Birds Ward Ransdell

> May 6 First Thursday Focus Stacking Presented by Parham Baker

May 20 Black and White; Bill Cole SIG: Astrophotography: Karen Hidgon

Join the meeting 15 minutes before it begins to socialize. All meetings on Zoom until further notice. Zoom address will be sent out out by email and <u>CCC Facebook Page.</u>

> Meetings at Crestwood Church 1882 Bellefonte Dr, Lexington

Inside this Issue

Ron Gaskins	1
Print Show 2021	2
Better Insect Photos Webinar	2
Special Interest Groups	3
Photo and Exhibit Opportunities	3
Revised Calendar	4
List of Officers	4

Ron Gaskins April 15



Thirteen Things Photographers Are Doing Wrong

I'm Ron Gaskins, and I am a professional photographer. I'm located just north of Charleston, West Virginia, With over 30 years of photography experience, and more than ten years working for my clients, I specialize in commercial work for businesses and organizations. I have created photographs used in advertising, feature magazine articles, websites, charity donor reports, and more.My personal favorites are the ones that share the natural beauty of West Virginia.

I have taught some general and specific photography classes, and led workshops through my second business, Mountaineer Photo Excursions, and with my friend and fellow photographer, Amanda Haddox, Together, we have taught over 30 photography workshops across 10 states in the eastern United States. Through Mountaineer Photo Excursions, and working with my colleague Amanda Haddox, I teach photography workshops and classes. Our workshops are offered in West Virginia and across the eastern United States. We offer classes through West Virginia University at Parkersburg and West Virginia State University, as well as other organizations. See our "Workshop" gallery for more information.

Special Interest Groups

Aerial {Drone}

Facilitator: Parham Baker 1st Monday of the Month 6:30

Astrophotography

Facilitators: Karen Higdon and Rebecca Brothers Meets 3rd Tuesday of the Month 7:00 PM

Bird Photography

Facilitator: Ward Ransdell 2nd Wednesday of the month 7:00 PM We will be discussing settings and equipment, and am hoping participants will share interesting or unusual images they have taken

Black and White Photography

Facilitator: Bill Cole Last Wednesday of the month 7:00 PM The Black and White SIG has added a Facebook page at "Creative Camera Club BnW SIG" so that we can post images and communicate better. If you are interested in Black and White, please feel free to join the page.

Butterflies/Insects

Facilitator: Karen Michul Second Thursday 7:00PM

Video

Facilitators: Parham Baker and Jack McKinney Jr. 2nd Monday of the month 6:30 PM

Social & Group Photography

Facilitators: Joe Omielan & Laura Harris 4th Thursday @ 7 p.m.

Print Show - 2021

Because the site of our Annual Print Show, The Living Arts & Science Center (LASC), is playing "catch up" on exhibits, they will not be able to accommodate our annual show in its entirety. They can only provide wall space for maybe 70 prints. Our print show typically has at least 170 prints.

We are having our annual show, but have the first part of it will be in digital form. We'll still have the same categories as usual, and we'll have three judges. Club members who are eligible to participate in the show to must submit their digital entries by midnight, October 2nd. Winners would be announced no later than October 21st.

We will invite those winners to have their entries printed, matted and framed for a "winners' exhibit" that would be installed at the LASC on November 13th and remain on display at the LASC through the end of December. Winning categories that will be accommodated would be 1st, 2nd and 3rd and Club's Choice in each category, as well as overall Best Color, Best Black & White and Best of Show. There will not be enough wall space for Honorable Mention winners. The exhibit would be up during the November Gallery Hop, which will give us a good amount of public exposure. A digital exhibit of all entries, will be online.

Because these plans represent a significant departure from the way we normally do the show. The show judges will need to more closely scrutinize entries for sharpness than what is needed during our monthly competitions, and because the winning entries must be of sufficient quality for printing, all submitted entries will need to be at greater resolution than 1920 pixels wide. That number will be provided later. We also have not determined how best to present the judges' critiques, which are a highlight of the show.

The manner in which the Club's Choice voting will be conducted has to be worked out. We want to ensure that only those who are dues-paying members can vote, while at the same time guaranteeing the anonymity of those voting. The logistics of conducting the Club's Choice voting may mean that we won't be able to resolve any ties that occur, so we may have to have co-winners in those situations.

The CCC Board of Director will continue to refine the details of the print show, and we'll do our best to keep everyone informed in a timely manner. Feel free to direct any comments or suggestions to us at info@creativecameraclub.org.

Take Better Insect Photos: Tips From the Experts April 15, 2021 2:00 PM EST - 3:30 PM EST

https://www.entsoc.org/take-better-insect-photos-tips-experts

Looking to up your

insect photography game? Join this 90 minute webinar with advice and tips for mastering the art of insect macrophotography. Insect photography experts will share their know-how on equipment, technique, and composition to help you get better insect shots.



First Thursday

May 6

Parham Baker will present a Focus Stacking workshop.

June 3

We'll have an opportunity to try out focus stacking at our Arboretum Photoshoot (weather permitting) Check Facebook Group for cancellation due to weather.

Competitions 2021

April 15 Graffiti

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.

June 17

Madison County

Images taken in or focusing on Madison County, KY.

August 19 Black and White

September 16 Arthropods (Bugs)

Arthropods (Bugs) - Arthropods are 80% of all animal species and include all insects (butterflies, moths, caterpillars, beetles, dragonflies, bees, grasshoppers, praying mantis, cicadas, ants, flies, etc.) as well as other groups including spiders, scorpions, centipedes, crabs and more.

Blue Ridge Parkway Trip June 10th-13th



Our 2021 Blue Ridge Parkway trip is scheduled for June 10th-13th. The time of this year's trip has been moved up from its usual end-of-July time frame in order to take advantage of the rhododendron and flame azaleas that will typically be blooming along the parkway at that time of year. Other seasonal wildflowers we don't typically see on our trips will be blooming at that time. We're also adding more recommended shooting locations to the list, in order to provide some variety from the trips we've done previously. Feel free to go ahead and reserve a room by calling 1-800-621-1260.

If you are going, please send John an email john@johnsnellphoto.com. Include your name, phone number, number in your party, and if you are arriving Thursday or Friday

Exhibit Opportunity

Art in the Cathedral

Art in the Cathedral will be at Christ's Church. Drop off up to 2 prints June 28 for July 4th exhibit and Gallery Hop. There are no size restrictions. Pick up will be August 29. email John Snell at john@johnsnellphoto.com and let him know.

St. Joe East

If you wish to submit a print for the July-August St. Joe East exhibit, please email John Snell at john@johnsnellphoto.com and let him know. Limit one print per person.

Photo Opportunity SPECIAL OLYMPICS June 5

The Kentucky Special Olympics summer games will be held on Saturday, June 5 this year. The Creative Camera Club has a long history of providing photography services for this event. This year, however, will see significant changes due to the pandemic. The SOKY office would like to keep the number of photographers to no more than ten, and we will be shooting event competition only. There will be notable restrictions at each venue and the usual precautions will be strictly monitored.

The SOKY summer games are held at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond. If you would like to participate in this year's summer games please contact Ward Ransdell (ward ransdell@yahoo.com).

Officers

President

Tom Myers

Vice President

Parham Baker

Secretary

Jan McKinney

Treasurer

Jack McKinney

Newsletter Editor

Kathy Davis

Past President

John Snell

Board of Directors

Karen Higdon Bill Cole Ward Ransdell For information or questions: <u>info@creativecameraclub.org</u>

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.

2021 Calendar

January

- 7 Petting Zoo
- 21 John Snell : How to Keep it Fresh MSS : Bill Cole; What's new Pussycat

February

- $4 \qquad {\sf Our\ cameras\ for\ video\ with\ Jack\ McKinney\ II\ and\ Parham\ Baker.}$
- 14 Turn in entries
- 14 Turn in Score Sheets
- 18 Music Competition John Snell and Bill Cole SIG: Drones and birds Video

March

- 4 Camera Transitions
- 18 Lynn Radeka : B/W Landscapes SIG: B/W Photography : Bill Cole

April

- 1 Photographing the Moon
- Graffiti Competition: Parham Baker- Critique
 Ron Gaskins :Thirteen Things Photographers Are Doing Wrong
 SIG: Birds: Ward Ransdell

May

- 6 Focus Stacking
- 20 Black and White History ; Bill Cole SIG: Astro Photography : Karen Higdon

June

- 3 Arboretum
- 17 Madison County Competition ; Critique Jim Web

July

- 1 First Thursday
- 15 Irene Hinkle

August

- 5 First Thursday
- 19 Black and White

September

- 2 First Thursday
- 16 Anthropoids (Bugs) Critique Tom Myers

October

- 7 First Thursday
- 21 Print Show Competition Winners Announced

November

4 First Thursday

18 TBA

December

- 2 First Thursday
- 16 TBA