Reminders

Due to church repairs our meeting has been rescheduled to August 26

Meet, Greet and Eat
Zones, Bill Cole
Intro to Luminosity Masking : Parham Baker
TK Actions : Bill Cole
Competition: Black and White

September 2
Picnic
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CCC Facebook Page.
Meetings at Crestwood Church
1882 Bellefonte Dr, Lexington
And Zoom

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Meet, Greet and Eat
Thursday August 26
Zones
Introduction to Luminosity Masking with Luminenzia
TK Actions

Intro to Luminosity Masking: Luminenzia

Luminosity masks, also known as Luminescence masks, are a way of making advanced selections in Photoshop based on luminosity values. This method is particularly useful for images with a High Dynamic Range. For example, let’s say we are looking at the hoar frost ice ball image. It is a bright object on a dark background, where the exposure is likely to have been selected for the darker areas rather than the ice ball, making the ice ball more gray than white. The image is uneven because the white section (the ice ball) is underexposed. We could make a second exposure, this time exposing to account for the ice ball and then smoothly blend the area of the ice into the darker background.
Fairs and Festivals
Our members are participating in.

Woodland Art Fair
Woodland Park
Lexington, KY
August 21-22 (10am -6pm) both days
(Bill Cole)

Art in Speed Park
, Indiana
August 28-29 (10am-5pm both days)
(John Snell)

Kentucky Crafted Outdoor Market at Waveland
Waveland State Historic Site
225 Waveland Museum Ln.
Lexington, KY
Sept 11 (10am-5pm) & 12th (11am-5pm)
(John Snell)

KY Bourbon Festival
Bardstown, KY
Sept. 17-19 (Fri - Sat 10am-10pm, Sun 10am-3pm)
(Bill Cole)

The Zone System
The Zone System provides photographers with a systematic method of precisely defining the relationship between the way they visualize the photographic subject and the final results.

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<td>Pure black - no detail</td>
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<td>I</td>
<td>Near black, with slight tonality but no texture</td>
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<td>II</td>
<td>Textured black; the darkest part of the image in which slight detail is recorded</td>
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<td>III</td>
<td>Average dark materials and low values showing adequate texture</td>
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<td>IV</td>
<td>Average dark foliage, dark stone, or landscape shadows</td>
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<td>V</td>
<td>Middle gray: clear north sky; dark skin, average weathered wood</td>
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<td>VI</td>
<td>Average Caucasian skin; light stone; shadows on snow in sunlit landscapes</td>
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<td>VII</td>
<td>Very light skin; shadows in snow with acute side lighting</td>
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<td>VIII</td>
<td>Lightest tone with texture: textured snow</td>
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<td>IX</td>
<td>Slight tone without texture; glaring snow</td>
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<td>X</td>
<td>Pure white: light sources and specular reflections - paper white, no detail</td>
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There are many ways to make selections in Photoshop, but in this particular example, Luminosity Masks would allow us to select the over-exposed area because it targets luminosity values (i.e., the brightness of an area), and smoothly blend in the darker exposure.

Luminosity masks are incredibly powerful because you can manipulate specific parts of your image. As with all masks, the key to remember is that white reveals and black conceals. There are multiple uses for these types of masks including fine-tuning images, highlight recovery, HDR images, black and white imagery, and general masking uses.

Lumenzia is an add-on product for Photoshop CC that allows for the automation of using Luminosity Masks. The limits of what you use this tool for is related to your imagination and how far you want to manipulate images.

Reprinted from Digital Photography School
First Thursday

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October 7
Headshot and portrait lighting workshop. Folks will have an opportunity to take photos of others as well as get a headshot of themselves to use.

Competitions 2021

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.
Important Changes for the 2021 Print Show

2021 Print Show

Instead of requiring that digital images be submitted for the print show judging, the board has decided to require that unmatted, unframed prints will be used for the judging instead. As we thought about, and discussed, how best to conduct the submission and judging of digital images, more and more issues were creating somewhat of a nightmare to unravel. Examples of issues which arose involved such things as what file size to require, what image resolution to require, how much “pixel peeping” the judges would be allowed to do, how complicated the proper image sizing and submission might be for members, ensuring that each judge would be viewing the images on properly calibrated monitors, difficulty figuring out how to conduct the Club’s Choice voting, etc.

We realize that submitting prints for the judging will involve more expense than digital submission. But since the prints aren’t to be matted or framed for the judging process, the cost should not be significant. Members must submit prints in the same size they would have submitted for the print competition. The prints must be dropped off at Crestwood Christian Church on Saturday, October 9th, between 10am and noon. This gives members an additional week to prepare their prints than the original October 2nd deadline for digital submission.

Most prints submitted in past shows have been between 11”x14” and 12”x18” in size. Therefore, the club will provide 16”x20” sleeves (called “Clearbags”) and a piece of 16”x20” foam core for each entry. These will be made available when you turn in your prints (or you may supply your own). If any of the prints you are submitting will not fit into a 16”x20” sleeve, you’ll either need to supply your own plastic sleeve and foam core or let us know in advance the size needed, and we’ll bring a sleeve and foam core that will work for your print.

The prints will be displayed on tables placed throughout the meeting room and south hallway of the meeting site. The prints will be judged on Thursday, October 21st. After the judging is complete, club members will vote their favorites for Club’s Choice. After those votes have been tallied and any ties resolved, the judges will announce the winners and offer commentary. All 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners, Club’s Choice, Best of Show, Best Color and Best Black & White winners will then be eligible for the print show that will be installed in November at the Living Arts & Science Center. We feel that the change from digital to actual prints will simplify the submission process, will “level the playing field” for all participants and ensure that all images are being viewed and judged under identical conditions. If you have any questions regarding this, please direct an email to info@creativecameraclub.org, and it will be answered promptly.
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.

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2021 Calendar

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

February
4 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
15 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: B/W Photography : Karen Higdon

June
3 Arboretum
17 Madison County Competition ; Critique - John Snell

July
1 Close Up Photography
15 Irene Hinkle-Sacilotto,
SIG: Close Up Photography - Tom Banahan

August
5 Arboretum
26 Black and White
MSS: B/W SIG Monotone

September
2 Picnic Jacobson Park
16 Anthropoids (Bugs) Critique - Tom Myers

October
7 First Thursday
21 Print Show Competition

November
4 First Thursday
18 TBA

December
2 First Thursday
14 Christmas Party-Fasig Tipton