John Snell on the BRP Slideshow

In keeping with tradition, I'll prepare slideshows of images from the Blue Ridge Parkway trip to be shown at the club’s Christmas party, which takes place this year on December 15th at Crestwood Christian Church (7pm). I'm going to be out of town from November 29th - December 11th, so I want to get those slideshows prepared before I go on the road. Please submit your images to me no later than November 10th, which is rapidly approaching.

I'd like you to size them to 1024 pixels on the "long" side. Ideally, if you use a size of 1024 X 683 pixels, that matches the width-to-height ratio of your camera’s files. That said, if any of your images lend themselves to more of a panoramic or square format, don't hesitate to crop them for the best look.

Meeting News

Thursday, November 17 @ 7pm
Crestwood Christian Church

After the Shutter Clicks

This month we are offering a panel discussion featuring our own Parham Baker, Bill Cole, and John Snell, who will explore option for Sharing Your Art after you caught the image. There will also be a discussion of next year’s competition topics exploring the topic definitions as well as the print show categories and how to determine where an image fits.

Allen Dawson will be on hand to demonstrate two PhotoShop techniques he uses that we might add to our box of tools.

Mark Griggs will share his Member’s Slide Show.

December

We’re having a party! There are no meetings in December other than our annual Christmas party. This year it is being held at Crestwood Christian Church where we usually meet. Bring finger foods that require minimal serving needs. The Club provides plates, cups, plastic utensils and soft drinks. Please note the Church only allows sacramental wine, so we will be a dry gathering.

Dress is required, but should be casual. Come mingle

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Just make sure the pixel count for the long side is 1024.

Please set the resolution to 72 pixels/inch. Using a resolution of 72 ppi makes dragging the images and dropping them into Powerpoint much easier. Using a different resolution than 72 requires me to resize them after dropping them into a Powerpoint slide.

I prefer that you email them to me, as attachments, not imbedded in the email, nor links to Google Drive, Dropbox or other online storage sites. Jpg files set to 1024 pixels on the long side will rarely exceed 600-700 k bytes, allowing you to easily send me 10 images in a single email, thereby not exceeding a limit of 10 megabytes that some email systems seem to set as a limit. There's no need to Zip the files when sending them. Zipping the files compresses them. As jpg files, they're already compressed.

In addition to sending up to 10 "scenic" photos, please send any photos of CCC members that you took on the trip. I'll especially need "head shots" of folks that will be used as lead-in photos to that person's images in the slideshows.

Naming your files: Preface each image's filename with your name. For instance, "john snell_sunset at Cowee Mountain.jpg" is an example. This helps when I'm grouping the images to insert into my presentation.

Send them to john@johnsnellphoto.com

If you've already supplied me with images, just email me a reminder of when they were sent.

As you can see, I'm trying to make this as easy on myself as possible! But managing potentially 300-400 images is made easier if I don't have to give special attention to a lot of them. Thanks in advance. I look forward to seeing your awesome photos!

By Members / For Members

Special Interest Groups

Aerial Photography and Videography
Meet—1st Mon, 6:30p by ZOOM
Facilitator—Parham Baker

Astrophotography
Meet—3rd Tues, 7p by ZOOM
Facilitator—Karen Higdon & Becky Brothers

Birds
Meet—2nd Wed, 7p
Location TBD each month
Facilitator—Ward Ransdell

Black and White
Meet—Last Wed, 7p by ZOOM
Facilitator—Bill Cole

St. Joe East/St. Joe Berea

In the past couple of years, the pandemic has disrupted the orderly scheduling of our rotating exhibit at St. Joe East/St. Joe Berea. More recently, Nathan Zamarron, the person who coordinates those exhibits, and his family have had to relocate to a temporary residence because of a fire that destroyed his wood-working shop and caused significant damage to their home next door. Because of that and his recent work schedule with Horse Mania and other projects, we're just now getting around to replacing the current St. Joe exhibit. We'll need 9 ready-to-hang photos with an autumn theme. These may be on metal or canvas, or may be framed in metal or wood frames. Maximum overall width, including the frame, is 24". Contact John Snell as soon as possible (john@johnsnellphoto.com) if you would like to submit an image for the next exhibit.
First Thursday

Nov 3
Jeff Lackey will show how to up your Photoshop game fine-tuning your images before you print. Also a tutorial in getting your images ready for January's Print Show and on other media so they last a long time. With the holiday season there are different options for displaying your images and/or using them for gifts. Bring some examples to share with folks if you've done this. We had a great "show and tell" last time!

Jan 5
Parham Baker will show us how to clean our camera sensors. (If you are like me and don’t like touching the exposing the guts of your camera, he will also tell you who can and where to go).

Highlights from West Virginia

Photo array courtesy Shuling Fister

Competition

Our last competition for 2022 was completed with our rescheduled Fungi contest in October. Results are shown on the next pages. Our next club competition will be in February 2023. Be sure to attend the panel discussion in November about crafting images to meet competition definitions.

Submit entries (only) by email to ccclexcontest@gmail.com

All entries must be received by 11:59 pm on the Sunday just prior to the third Thursday. No exceptions will be allowed for entries received after the deadline or entries which were emailed to an incorrect address.

Submitted images should be formatted to fit within the maximum pixel dimensions of the club projector (no more than 1920 pixels wide and 1080 pixels high). File names should include the member name, competition class, and type.

Details for how to format your images can be found on the website:
https://creativecameraclub.org/monthly-competitions-help/

Christ Church Cathedral Exhibit

Our friends from Art At the Cathedral have invited us to host the July 2023 Gallery Hop with a July - August 2023 exhibit slot. The drop off is scheduled for Wednesday, July 5, to avoid the holiday. Gallery Hop will be on Friday, July 21.

We chose the theme Awakening and Renewal for the show. Start shooting. There will more details emerging in the coming year.
First Place Winners - B&W

Fungi

Rebecca Brothers — Advanced

Joe Omielan — Intermediate

Alicia Burrus — Beginner
First Place Winners - Color

Fungi

Nancy Bonhaus — Advanced

Earl James — Intermediate

Alicia Burrus — Beginner
2022 CALENDAR

Nov
3  Print show prep Q&A
7  SIG - Aerial (Drone) Video
9  SIG - Bird Photography
15 SIG - Astro Photography
17 Allen Dawson on Photoshop
29 CCC Board Meeting
30 SIG - Black and White Photography

Dec
1  First Thursday
3  SIG - Aerial (Drone) Video
14 SIG - Bird Photography
15 Christmas Party - CC Church
20 SIG - Astro Photography

2023 Print Show Dates
1-07 Turn in @ LexArts
1-12 Judging of prints
1-20 Gallery Hop
2-25 Pick up—Might be Mar 4

2023 Competition Dates
2-16 Hi / Low Key
3-16 Fences
4-20 Mailboxes
5-18 Places of Worship
7-20 People Working
8-17 Woodford County
9-21 Fairs and Festivals

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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