



CCC NEWS

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In Case You Missed It

Our exhibit at LexArts has several other opportunities for us to interact with the community.

Feb 4, 10- 11: LexArts Saturday Sessions, LexArts Feb 21 or 22, 10-1

Feb 17, 5 - 9pm: Urban Art Hop, Project Ricochet, at the LexArts

Planned Outings in 2023

April 16-23: Outer Banks

June 8-11: Blue Ridge Parkway

October 12-15: West Virginia

FEBRUARY 2023

Meeting News

Thursday, February 16 @ 7pm
Crestwood Christian Church

We have a lot going on this month including our competition for Hi Key / Low Key. Our own Bill Cole will critique the entries. Mark Griggs will share a Member's Slide Show, Allen Dawson will share a drone video, and we've got some business about this year's Print Show categories and a chance to mix and mingle with the members.

Competition

High/Low Key: A high-key image is one that is almost entirely very bright with very little or no dark shadows present. A proper high-key image requires careful attention to the balance of light between subject and background, often preserving detail in the subject while nearly or totally blowing out much of the background. Low-key is a term that describes images that are dark and contain few highlight areas. The main use of low-key lighting as a creative visual tool is to accentuate the shape and contour of a subject, by leaving additional lighting (fill light, for example) at a bare minimum, or omitting it entirely.

Submit entries (only) by email to

cccllexcontest@gmail.com

All entries must be received by 11:59 pm on Sunday 02.12.2023.

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/>

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Awards, Points and Position

We will acknowledge our winners at the March 16 Meeting; make every attempt to attend.

Blue Ridge Parkway – June 8-11, 2023

We're going back to the Blue Ridge Parkway, and we hope to capture the rhododendron in bloom, just as we did last year. Of course, there will be waterfalls, sunrises/sunset and other sights to photograph, too!

It's not too early to begin making your hotel reservations. A block of rooms has been set aside for us at the Maggie Valley Creekside Lodge (2716 Soco Rd., Maggie Valley, NC 28751, Phone:800-621-1260). Discounted camera club rates are: standard rooms (\$109) and creekside rooms (\$119). Rooms have two queen beds, microwave and refrigerator. Due to water damage from a burst pipe on Christmas Eve, the office and surrounding areas are being renovated. When you call, there won't be someone there to take your call, so leave a message, and they will return your call and complete your reservation at that time. You'll need to let them know you're with the Creative Camera Club in order to ensure that you receive the discounted room rates.

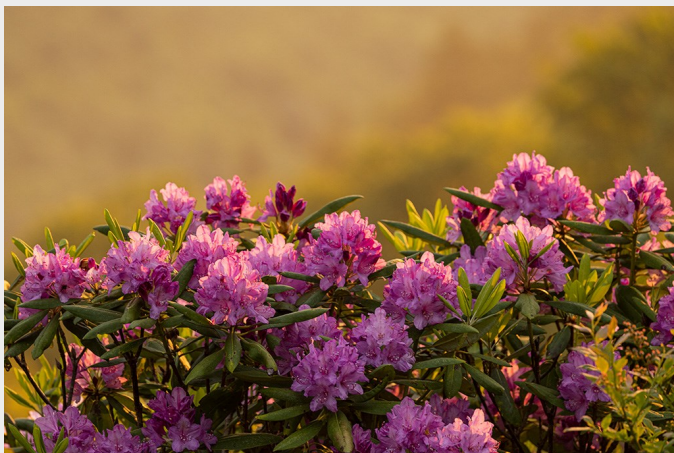


Photo by John Snell

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



Photo by Karen Higdon

Black and White

Meet—Last Wed, 7p by ZOOM

Facilitator— Bill Cole

Butterflies/Insects

Meet—2nd Mon, 7p by ZOOM

Beg Mar 2023

Facilitator—Earl James

First Thursday

Feb 2

Learn the technique of Hi Key / Low Key lighting. High-key lighting reduces the lighting ratio in the scene, meaning there's less contrast between the darker tones and the brighter areas. Alternatively, low-key lighting has greater contrast between the dark and light areas of the image with a majority of the scene in shadow. We'll explore how to achieve the best results.

Mar 2

Software Demos—Photoshop, Luminar Neo, Topaz. Other software may be previewed as well.

Apr 6

Data preservation and archiving.

The 2022 Wining Images Book

At the beginning of 2022 we discussed creating a book of the winning images from the monthly competitions and the print show and self-publishing it. The book would be approximately 100 pages as a target, 8x8 inches in size, soft cover on heavy gloss paper and sell for about \$40 per copy. In order to get this price we will need at least 20 people to order the book.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED please sign up on the sign-up sheet at meetings or let Bill Cole know at billcole@twc.com by February 20th. The exact price of the book should be known about the end of February and money would be due at or before the March third Thursday meeting. The book should be available about Tax day if everything goes as planned.

63rd NORTH CENTRAL INSECT PHOTOGRAPHIC SALON PSA NATURE DIVISION PROJECTED IMAGE Deadline to enter is March 4

Nature Division/Digital Insects (Color or Monochrome)
PSA ND All nature photographers are invited to submit images of insects and related arthropods. The exhibition is open to anyone; however, an entry may be rejected when the sponsoring organization or its agent, in its reasonable discretion, believes the entry does not conform to the exhibition rules and conditions. Digital images must be of insects and related arthropods. North Central Insect Salon Judges consist of 2 professional photographers and one Entomologist judge. This Salon is PSA approved and acceptances will count for Who's Who and Star Ratings. <https://creativecameraclub.org/insect-salon/>



Nancy Dawson - "Best by a CCC Member" in the Salon 2022

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. Keep shooting. There will more details emerging in the coming year.

2022-3 CALENDAR

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info@creativecameraclub.org

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.

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

Feb

2 High / Low Key Photography

6 SIG - Aerial (Drone) Video

9 SIG - Bird Photography

12 Contest Submission Deadline

13 SIG - Butterflies / Insects

16 High / Low Key Competition

21 SIG - Astro Photography

22 SIG - Black and White Photography

28 CCC Board Meeting

Mar

4 Take down LexArts Exhibit

1 Application Deadline for NIPS

2 First Thursday

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6 First Thursday

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16 Outer Banks April 16-23

18 SIG - Astro Photography

23 Contest Submission Deadline

23 Insect photo salon

26 SIG - Black and White Photography

27 Mailboxes