# Lens Lines Newsletter



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# Draft 2021-2022 Schedule

### **August**

- 14 Field Trip Annapolis, MD
- 21 Club Picnic Jackie Colestock Host
- 26 Club Year Intro / What I did over the Summer Slideshow

### September

- 2 Program How to Make the Most of Critiques & Competitions
- 9 Critique Session Led by Jerry Taylor
- 16 Program TBD
- 18 Field Trip Gambrill State Park
- 23 Contest Digital Open
- 30 Tabletop Night

#### **October**

- 7 Critique Session
- 14 Program TBD
- 20 Fundraiser Brian Boru
- 21 Contest Digital Theme
- 23 Field Trip Patuxent Research Refuge
- 28 Program TBD

#### **November**

- 4 Critique Session
- 11 Program TBD
- 13 Field Trip Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary
- 18 Contest Digital Open
- 25 No Meeting Thanksgiving

#### **December**

- 2 Critique Session
- 4 Field Trip Conowingo Dam (Eagles)
- 9 Contest Digital Theme
- 16 Christmas Party
- 23 No Meeting Christmas
- 30 No Meeting Christmas

# Announcements

### **Membership Dues**

All members new and old, paid and free, need to fill out the Member Contact form *on* out club website for the 2021-2022 club year. This will help our secretary/treasurer Jackie Coelstock update the club records when recording your payments.

You can find the form at here.

Dues for a Single member are \$40 and \$20 for each additional family member.

Payments are due at the first meeting of the club year, August 26, 2021.

We will take cash or checks in person, no credit cards. You can also mail your checks to Jackie Colestock. Instructions and address are at the end of the membership form.

It is a requirement that dues be current BEFORE a member can participate in club competitions or critiques.

**Jackie Colestock** 

#### In Memoriam

We are saddened by the loss of three club members this spring and summer.



We lost former club member Nels Cross in April. You can find a link to his obituary and to some of his winning photos <a href="here">here</a>.



Ernie Swanson passed away in June. You can find a link to his obituary and to some of his many winning photos <a href="here">here</a>.



Cliff Culp passed away in July. For link to his obituary and to some of his winning photos and some excellent portraits of Cliff, click <a href="here">here</a>.

# 2021-2022 Contest Themes

## **Reflections (October)**

Reflection photography, also referred to as mirror photography, is when you use reflective surfaces to create an artistic echo of a scene. This type of photography can add an interesting spin to locations that are hotspots for photographers such as oceans, lakes, puddles, and even rain drops. They're all subjects that are commonly used to create brilliant reflection photographs. Of course, less traditional resources such as metal, tiles, mirrors and anything with a shiny surface can also be easily incorporated into this type of photography. The reflection may or may not include the subject which is being reflected. Click here for examples of Reflections Photography.

## **Interesting Perspectives (December)**

Perspective in photography is defined as the sense of depth or spatial relationship between objects in a photo, along with their dimensions with respect to what viewer of the image sees. By changing perspective, subjects can appear much smaller or larger than normal, lines can converge differently, and much more. The most common and often least interesting perspective is "eye level." At first we were going to define Interesting Perspectives as "Anything NOT at Eye Level". Try these (1) Shoot down on your subject. (2) Shoot up at your subject. (3) Lie down and shoot from ground level. Click here for examples of Interesting Perspectives Photography.

## **Abstract (February)**

This category should include images that are in some way altered from the usual way it is viewed. The photograph can concentrate on color, form, texture, pattern, line or other aspect of the object. The subject of the photograph may be an identifiable object, but should be rendered in a way that the identity of the object is secondary to aspects of form, color (or tone), lines, shapes, or texture. That is, the subject may be recognizable, but the photograph should not be representational. The distinction can be subtle, and ultimately will reside with the judge. Click here for examples of Abstract Photography.

## **Architecture (April)**

The subject should be a building, group of related buildings, or other man-made structure such as a bridge or tower or a portion thereof. Both interior and exterior photographs are allowed. Images may focus on the structure as a whole or a part of it. Click here for examples of <u>Architecture</u>.

# Upcoming Field Trip - Annapolis





Annapolis Field Trip – Saturday August 14, 2021 5:30PM

Boat Cruise followed by an evening walking photo tour of Annapolis

Boat cruise leaves at 6:00 pm, so please meet 5:30 pm at Annapolis City Dock, 1 Dock Street, Annapolis MD, 21401

6 to 6:40 pm, step aboard the classic Harbor Queen for a narrated cruise of the Annapolis Harbor and the banks of the U.S. Naval Academy, Book your tour \$20. Click here to book.

After the cruise at 6:40 pm we will be photographing the most photogenic evening and nighttime scenes in Annapolis.

RSVP to Ed Niehenke



1 Dock St. Meet Here

# Upcoming Club Picnic & Pool Party



#### **SAVE THE DATE 21 AUGUST**

When: Saturday 21 August, 1-4PM

Where: 1335 Old Mountain Rd., Pasadena, MD 21122

Directions: Map

Our Summer Picnic and Pool Party is back. Given the availability of vaccines and the fact that more club members are willing to get together in person, we are looking forward to our traditional summer get together.

Come join us for an afternoon around the grill and by the pool, hosted by Bob and Jackie Colestock.

The pool will be open and it will be a hot day so bring your swimsuits.

The club provides the hot dogs and hamburgers and paper goods. Surprise us with your summer delights. Bring a side dish or dessert. BYOB. Friends and family are welcome.

Please RSVP to <u>Jackie Colestock</u> by 18 August with the number of people in your party so we know how much food to buy.

Don't forget to bring your cameras. This is a camera club after all and this is a club event.

Bring beach chairs.

If you haven't been vaccinated, please wear a mask.

# Photographic Society of America (PSA)

In May, the club voted to pay for a one-year club membership to the PSA. Their very extensive website is here: <a href="https://psa-photo.org/">https://psa-photo.org/</a>

The club membership entitles us to enter several competitions (see <a href="https://psa-photo.org/index.php?club-competitions">https://psa-photo.org/index.php?club-competitions</a>), as well as to receive free judges in club competitions (see <a href="https://psa-photo.org/index.php?club-judging-service-2">https://psa-photo.org/index.php?club-judging-service-2</a>). However, these contests and judgings are limited to PSA themed contests which must adhere to PSA guidelines. I'll explain this in a little more detail.

#### The interclub contests are:

- <u>Newsletter Contest</u> (we entered by the deadline of June 1 but still have not heard if we won),
- Website Contest (next deadline Jan 15, 2022)
- Youth Showcase (2021-10-01 to 2022-04-15) This is open to all students worldwide, ages 14 through 19 and attending high school or its equivalent. The student and their school need to be sponsored by us and no other PSA club. They need not be ACC members.

Various Themed Contests (team registration deadline Oct 15, first round entry deadline Nov 15). <u>Deadlines are listed here.</u>

Teams are usually of size 6. There is one team per competition, but the different contests can have different teams. For example, the team for nature photography need not be the same as the team for travel photography. Each round, the team enters 6 images (one per member). There are three rounds, each with different deadlines. Photos can never be re-entered and of course must satisfy the guidelines.

- Open
- Creative
- Nature
- Photojournalism
- <u>Travel</u>

Just to repeat, to enter any of these, the team must be registered by October 15th.

If you are interested in being on a team, please email <u>David</u> <u>Joyner</u>.

# Field Trip - Kenilworth Gardens



**Bob Webber** 



Mike Thomas



**Bob Webber** 



Ed Niehenke



Mlke Thomas



Ed Niehenke

# Longwood Gardens











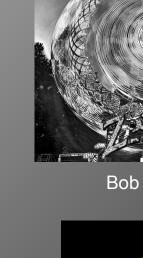
Photos by Ed Niehenke

www.arundelcameraclub.org

# Earleigh Heights Carnival



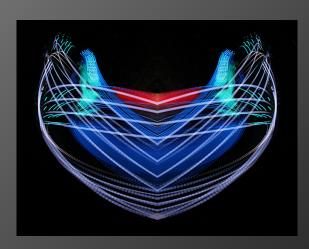
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Bob Webber.



MIke Thomas



**Bob Webber** 



Ann Hickman

# Burba Lake & Patuxent Refuge



Fred Venecia



JC Williams



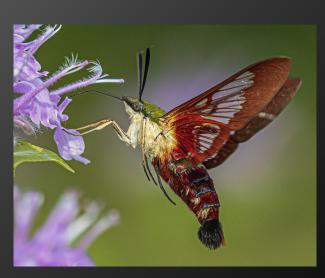
Fred Venecia



JC Williams



JC Williams



JC Williams

# Club Officers and Staff



John Milleker, Jr. President



Ron Peiffer
VP Contests
MPA



Christine Milleker VP Programs



Jackie Colestock Secretary / Treasurer



Chip Bulgin
Past President



Susan Webber <u>Member at</u> <u>Large</u>



Cathy Hockel

Member at

Large



Ed Niehenke Field Trips



Richard Stolarski <u>Field Trips</u>



David Joyner <a href="Newsletter">Newsletter</a> / Webmaster



Bob Webber
Contest
Committee /
Newsletter



Fred Veneca Refreshments



Mike Thomas <u>Webmaster</u> / <u>Newsletter</u>



Russ Zaccari <u>Webmaster /</u> <u>Database</u>

# Social Media/Distancing

### **Web Site**

The club website can be found at <a href="https://arundelcameraclub.org/">https://arundelcameraclub.org/</a>. On the website you can find the club calendar and newsletters as well as other information like our constitution and by-laws.

## **Mailing List**

The club has a mailing list where we send out information to club members including information about calendar changes, contests, publishing newsletters, etc. To be added to the mailing list send an email to <a href="mailto:webmaster@arundelcameraclub.org">webmaster@arundelcameraclub.org</a>. You can remove yourself from the mailing list at any time.

### **Newsletters**

You can find our newsletters on our website. The newsletter has information on contest results and field trips as well as upcoming events and member accomplishments. You can find the archive of club newsletters at <a href="https://arundelcameraclub.org/newsletter/">https://arundelcameraclub.org/newsletter/</a>.

### **FaceBook**

The club has a FaceBook Group which we are relying on during the COVID-19 restrictions. You can find the group here <a href="http://facebook.arundelcameraclub.org/">http://facebook.arundelcameraclub.org/</a>. If you are not a member, you can request to join the group. It is a public group. Anyone on FaceBook can see our posts but only members can make posts. All of our virtual meetings have been broadcast via FaceBook.

### YouTube

Videos of all of our virtual meetings and contests have been posted to YouTube. If you do not want to join FaceBook or missed one of our online meetings, you can see recordings here. You can find them here <a href="http://youtube.arundelcameraclub.org/">http://youtube.arundelcameraclub.org/</a>.

## Instagram

David Joyner has volunteered to create a club Instagram account for us to experiment with. You can find it at <a href="http://instagram.arundelcameraclub.org/">http://instagram.arundelcameraclub.org/</a>.

# Club Information

## **Meeting Nights**

Starting August 26, the Arundel Camera Club meets every Thursday evening from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM at Severna Park Baptist Church. Due to COVID-19 we will be broadcasting our live meetings to FaceBook.

Meetings are open to the public, but only dues paying members may enter competitions. Meetings alternate between programs of informative speakers, photographic assignments, and photographic competitions. Competitions give us a chance to show off our work and to get constructive critiques from our judges. Ribbons are awarded for first through fourth place and honorable mention. Normally we have competitions for color prints, monochrome prints, and digital images. Currently we are only holding digital competitions. Competitions are held for both novice and unlimited club members. Awards are awarded at the end of year banquet. The club also has monthly photographic field trips to locations of interest. This is a chance to go out and practice what we learned during programs, a time to socialize with other club members, and a chance to do a little photographic exploration.

# **Membership Rates**

Individual . . . . . . . . . \$40.00

Family . . . . . . . . \$20.00 each additional family member

Click here to sign up.

### **Directions**

When we resume meeting in person 26 August 2021, we will be meeting at the Severna Park Baptist Church which is located at at 506 Benfield Rd, Severna Park, MD 21146.

Click on the map for directions.

