

Lens Lines Newsletter



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On the Cover: The cover image by club member Mike Thomas at the clubs summer picnic.

Above: The above image by Mike Thomas while visiting Florida this summer.

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Draft 2024-2025 Schedule

August

- 25 Social - Summer Picnic and Pool Party - Colestock's
- 29 Program - Club Year Intro / Contest How To / Portrait Night
- 31 Field Trip - Great Falls Park Visitors Center

September

- 05 What I did over the Summer
- 07 Field Trip - B&O Railroad Museum, First Responders Showcase
- 12 Contest - Digital - Open
- 14 Field Trip - Arundel County Fair
- 19 Program - Print Night
- 26 Contest - Print - Open

October

- 03 Photo Walk - Downtown Frederick
- 05 Field Trip - Skyline Drive Shenandoah National Park
- 10 Contest - Digital - Light and Shadow
- 17 Program - Rick Hulbert - The Joy of Symmetry in Photography
- 24 Contest - Print - Light and Shadow
- 31 Portrait Night

November

- 07 Contest - Digital - Open
- 09 Field Trip - Chesapeake City Maryland
- 14 Program - Ryan Mauer - Chasing the Fire: Photographing Iceland's Volcanoes
- 17 Field Trip - Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary
- 21 Contest - Print - Open
- 28 **Thanksgiving - No Meeting**

December

- 05 Contest - Digital - Autumn
- 12 Social - Christmas Party
- 14 Field Trip - Arlington National Cemetery
- 19 Contest - Print - Autumn
- 26 **Christmas - No Meeting**

January

- 02 Program - Hazel Meredith - Alternative Visual Artistry
- 09 Contest - Digital - Open
- 16 Program - Jackie Colestock - Geometric Shapes
- 19 Field Trip - Eastern State Penitentiary
- 23 Contest - Print - Open
- 30 Table Top Night

February

- 06 Program - Ron Peifer - Photographing the Southwest
- 08 Field Trip - Washington, DC Monuments at Night
- 13 Contest - Digital - Geometric Photography
- 20 Program - TBD
- 27 Contest - Print - Geometric Photography

March

- 06 Program - Quinn Jacobson - Sun Mountain
- 13 Contest - Digital - Open
- 20 Program - TBD
- 23 Field Trip - Washington, DC Cherry Blossoms
- 27 Contest - Print - Open
- 29 Field Trip - Washington, DC National Arboretum

Draft 2024-2025 Schedule / Announcements

April

- 03 Program - TBD
- 10 Contest - Digital - Landscapes
- 17 Program - TBD
- 20 Field Trip - Shenks Ferry Wildflower Preserve
- 24 Contest - Print - Landscapes
- 27 Field Trip - Washington, DC US Botanic Garden

May

- 01 Photo Walk - Kent Island (Historic Stevensville)
- 08 Contest - Digital - Club Events
- 15 Program - TBD
- 17 Field Trip - US Naval Academy Tour and Annapolis Visit
- 22 Business Meeting
- 29 Social - End of Year Awards Banquet

June

- 14 Field Trip - Kenilworth Park & Aquatic Gardens

Don't Procrastinate

Pay Your Dues

Individual \$40.00

Family \$20.00 each additional family member

Mail to Jackie Colestock / Bring to the Club Picnic or to the First Meeting

[Click here to sign up.](#)



Join the club on a field trip to the Anne Arundel County Fair on September 14th, 9am-11pm.

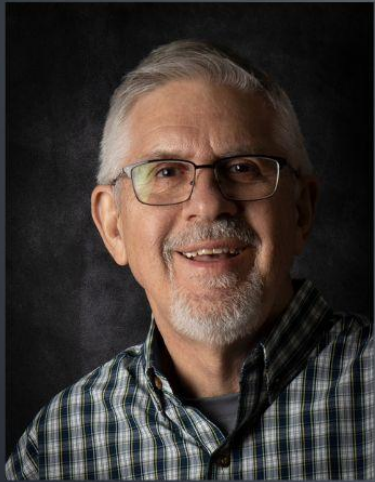
The fair's indoor exhibits – in the Exhibits Building – showcase the agricultural, horticultural, culinary, and creative abilities of entrants. Come admire the photography, artwork, crafts, baked goods, honey, jams, jellies, pickles, relishes, summer vegetables and more!

Jolly Shows is Maryland Carnival Company! For decades Jolly Shows has been entertaining families in the Baltimore and Maryland areas with high quality amusement rides, challenging games and delicious food. Come along to the fair to hear some great musical acts, from a wide variety of genres. Everything from County to Rock to Pop!

[Click here for directions](#)

[Click here for tickets](#)

Upcoming Programs



THE ARUNDEL CAMERA CLUB
INVITES YOU TO A
PRESENTATION BY
RON PEIFFER
CLUB YEAR INTRO & CONTEST HOW-TO
THURSDAY
29 AUGUST 2024
7:00 PM EST
SEVERNA PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM

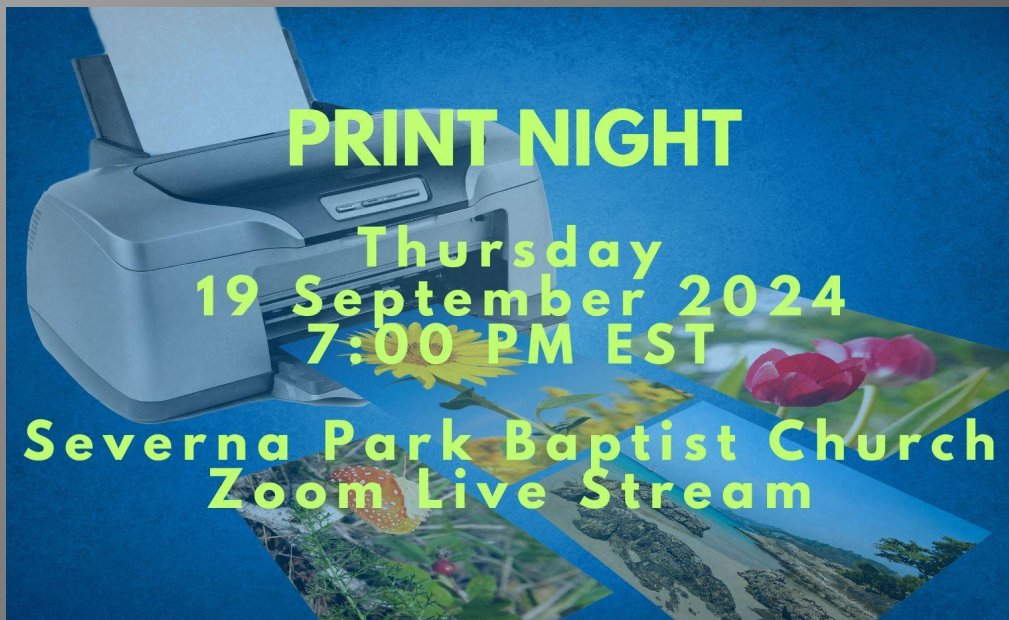
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WHAT I DID OVER THE SUMMER

Thursday
5 September 2024
7:00 PM EST

Severna Park Baptist Church
Zoom Live Stream



PRINT NIGHT

Thursday
19 September 2024
7:00 PM EST

Severna Park Baptist Church
Zoom Live Stream

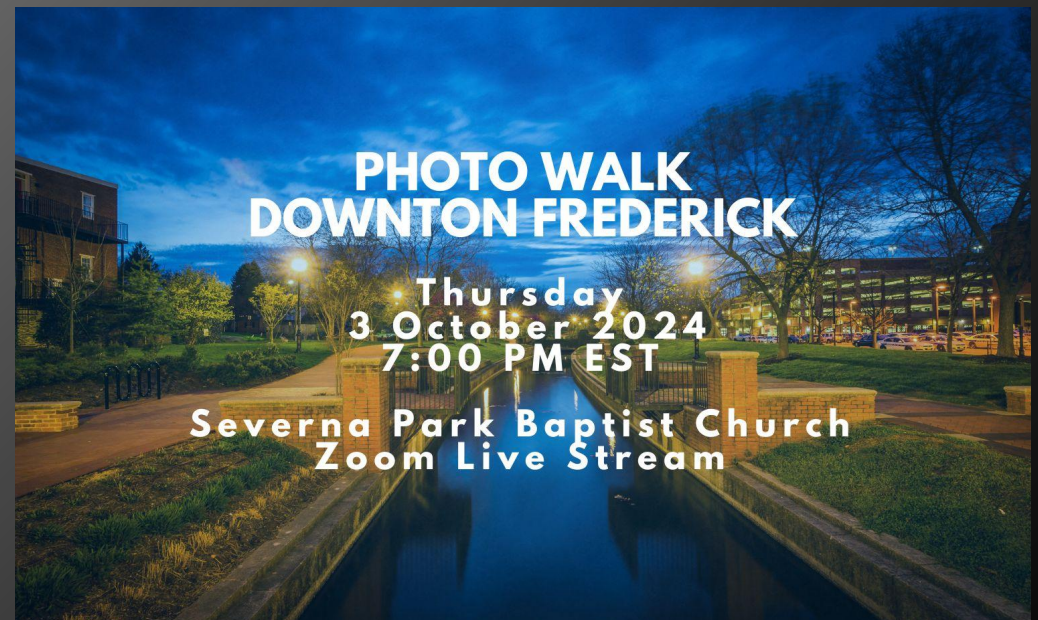


PHOTO WALK DOWNTON FREDERICK

Thursday
3 October 2024
7:00 PM EST

Severna Park Baptist Church
Zoom Live Stream

Field Trip: Great Falls Visitor Center



Join the club on a field trip to Great Falls Park Visitors Center, Virginia. Open 7am until dark-30 mins after sunset. Plan to meet for 3pm Picnic. The visitor Center is closed, so meet at the falls.

At Great Falls, the Potomac River builds up speed and force as it falls over a series of steep, jagged rocks and flows through the narrow Mather Gorge. The Patowmack Canal offers a glimpse into the early history of this country. Great Falls Park has many opportunities to explore history and nature, all in a beautiful 800-acre park only 15 miles from the Nation's Capital.

Do to parking, you may want to ride share.

Sat & Sun 10 am-4:30pm IF parking is full, entrance closes, no entrance until parking available.

Saturdays & Sundays 10 am-4:30 pm, with good weather, IF our parking lots fill we close the park entrance. (Georgetown Pike & Old Dominion Dr) We re-open when parking is available. No waiting, no street parking. Updates at Great Falls Park Facebook page.

Address: 9200 Old Dominion Dr, McLean, VA 22102

[Click here for directions](#)

[Click here for more information](#)

[Click here for Entrance Fees](#)

Field Trip: B&O Museum, First Responders Showcase



Join the B&O for a celebration of our First Responders!

On September 7th, 2024, from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm the B&O Railroad Museum is excited to partner with the First Responders Children's Foundation for First Responders Showcase!

Come out to meet First Responders, learn about their roles, and take a ride on the Mile One Express over to the Restoration Shop for a controlled collision demonstration. Train rides to the controlled collision site depart at 10:45 am and 1:30 pm. During the controlled collision, see First Responders in action as they respond to a simulated emergency on the tracks!

Check out our First Responder guests and exciting equipment!

- MDOT Transportation K-9 Unit & Command Truck
- Operation Lifesaver
- ATF National Response Team
- BPD Horse Mounted Unit
- BPD D.A.R.E Program
- BPD Northwestern NCO Unit
- BPD K-9 Unit
- BPD Auxiliary Police
- Savage Volunteer Fire Company
- BCFD Sixth Battalion, Engine Company 23
- BCoFD acting Fire Chief Scott Ebbert & Assistant Chief Marcus Johnson

We are especially looking forward to welcoming the Middle River Volunteer Fire and Rescue Dive Team and the Baltimore County Fire Department's Halethorpe crew, both of whom responded to the Francis Scott Key Bridge Collapse.

[Directions & Parking](#)

[Click here to buy tickets](#)

2024-2025 Contest Themes

October - Light and Shadow: This theme emphasizes the use of dynamic lighting, and by extension shadows to create mood and composition. It is not about the source of light, but rather its effect. Examples may include but are not limited to beams of light in dust, broken light filtering through trees or window blinds, “Rembrandt” portrait lighting, and the shadows they create. The shadows created should also be a considered subject. Click here for examples of [Light and Shadow](#) photography.

December - Autumn: The autumn season is a season full of color, and change. Images should capture the essence of autumn: trees turning color, fall festivals, pumpkins, changing weather, etc. Images may focus on the natural aspect of the turning of seasons, or the human and cultural aspects of the season. Click here for examples of [Autumn photographs](#).

February - Geometric Photography: Uses lines, shapes, and patterns found in the world to create interesting compositions, balance and symmetry. The focus of the resulting images will be on the geometric lines, shapes and patterns formed; and the geometric aspect should be clearly conveyed. Subject matter may include, but is not

limited to, Architectural, Urban, and Natural patterns. While there may be a sense of the abstract to this type of image, it is not a required component. There may also be a strong sense of repeating patterns, but this is also not required. The object is to “see” geometric shapes in the environment around you. Click here for examples of [Geometric photography](#).

April - Landscapes: Photographs of land, water, clouds or a combination of these in the outside environment. The image should not be a closeup. An image of a single tree, flower, or building is not a landscape. But a photograph of a forest or field of flowers is. A landscape photograph may include people, man made objects and wildlife but these should complement the scene as a whole and not be the primary subject of the photograph. This theme includes Natural landscapes, and seascapes. Click here for examples of [Landscapes](#).

Anne Arundel County Fair - Help Needed!

This year, I have taken the role of the Chairperson of Photography for the Anne Arundel County Fair. It's my vision that the Arundel Camera Club should be in charge of their own county's fair photography exhibit and this is the start of this dream.

We are afforded a very interesting opportunity here as this will enable us to reach many more photography enthusiasts in the county and could potentially lead to exponential growth of our wonderful club. During the fair, if we can manage the coverage, we will be able to set up a table in the photography exhibit area with information and flyers leading new interested photographers to us.

With that said, I could really use some help with the following days. If you are interested and can help, please let me know! I need helpers to receive and sort the entries, as well as hang them on the exhibit walls (September 8th & 9th). On Monday September 16th I could use help with the pickup of photographs and ribbons. During the fair, September 12th through September the 15th I need enthusiastic club members to be on hand to discuss the club with interested parties and hand out flyers and business cards.

Sunday September 8th, 2-5pm - Receiving Photography Entries & sort/hang

Monday September 9th, 2-7pm - Receiving Photography Entries & sort/hang

Wednesday, September 11th 5-10pm - Arundel Camera Club Table & Handouts

Thursday, September 12th, 5-10pm - Arundel Camera Club Table & Handouts

Friday, September 13th, 5-11pm - Arundel Camera Club Table & Handouts

Saturday, September 14th, 9am-11pm - Arundel Camera Club Table & Handouts

Sunday, September 15th, 9am-8pm - Arundel Camera Club Table & Handouts

Monday, September 16th, 2-7pm - Removing photos, sorting and pickup w/ribbons & awards

There are still opportunities to volunteer.

If you can help out I really appreciate it, please send an email to let me know which day/days and times you may be able to cover. I have yet to discuss entry fees with the lead chair, but imagine they would be waived for volunteers. I will be on site for the receiving and pickup dates as well as the majority of the fair opening dates as well.

Thank you!
John Milleker Jr.
President
Arundel Camera Club

Congratulations



Reflected Cranes at Sunrise



New York Building with Diamond Windows

Congratulations to Bob Webber
Howard County Fair Winning images

Club Member Photos



Club Member Photos



Cathy Hockel



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Club Member Photos



Club Member Photos



Mike Thomas



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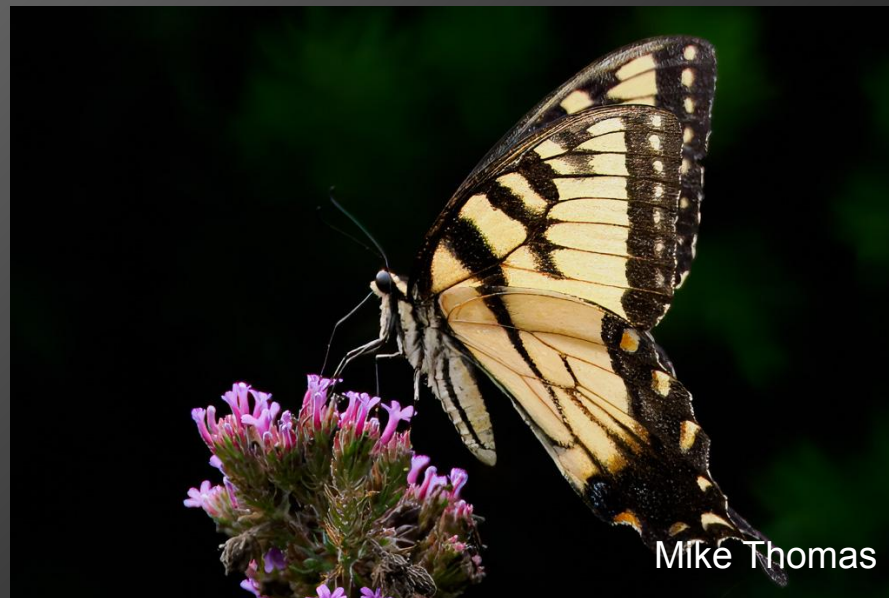


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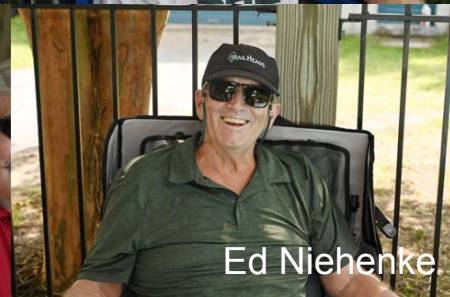


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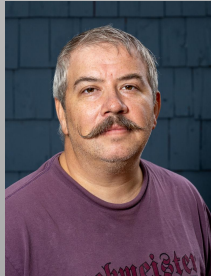
Club Member Photos



Picnic Photos



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President



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VP Contests
MPA



Christine
Milleker
VP Programs



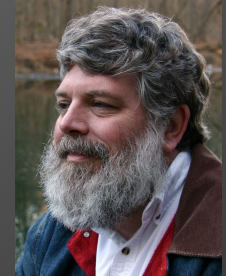
Jackie
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Susan Webber
Member at
Large



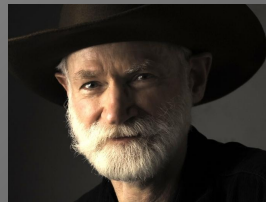
Doug Wood
Member at
Large



Ed Niehenke
Field Trips



Diane Vatcher
Field Trips



Bob Webber
Contest
Committee /
Newsletter



Fred Veneca
Refreshments



Mike Thomas
Webmaster /
Newsletter



Russ Zaccari
Webmaster /
Database

Social Media

Web Site

The club website can be found at <https://arundelcameraclub.org/>. 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 webmaster@arundelcameraclub.org. 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 <https://arundelcameraclub.org/newsletter/>.

FaceBook

The club has a FaceBook Group which we use to broadcast our meetings. You can find the group here <http://facebook.arundelcameraclub.org/>. 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.

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 <http://youtube.arundelcameraclub.org/>.

Instagram

You will find club announcements and winning images posted to our club Instagram account. You can find it at <http://instagram.arundelcameraclub.org/>.

Club Information

Meeting Nights

The Arundel Camera Club, Inc. meets every Thursday evening from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM at Severna Park Baptist Church. Setup starts at 6:30 PM. We broadcast our live meetings to FaceBook.

Click on the map for directions.

Meetings are open to the public, but only dues paying members may enter competitions and participate in critiques.

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. In addition to digital contests, we have restarted our print contests. 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.](#)

