



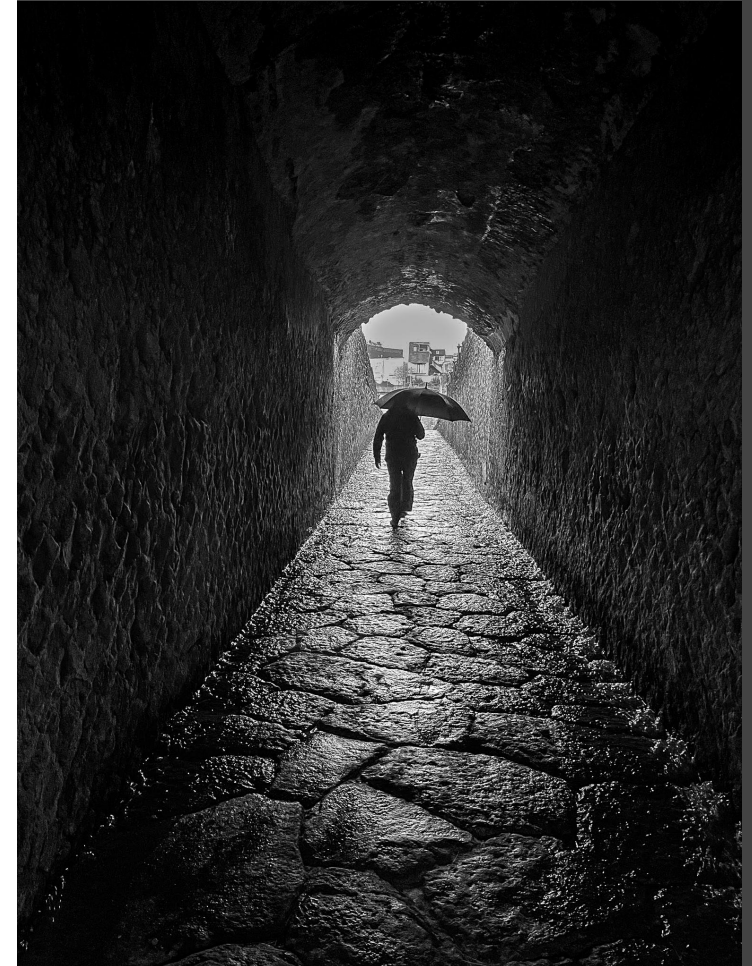
Lens Lines Newsletter

April 2026

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On the Cover: The cover image by Colin McNaught titled “LBJ Tack Room” won 3rd Place in novice monochrome.

Above: The above image by Darwin Green titled “Emergence” won 1st Place in novice digital.

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2025-2026 Calendar and Announcements

May

- 2 Field Trip - Oregon Ridge Nature Center
- 7 Program - Denise Silva - Night Photography
- 14 Contest - Digital - Club Events
- 21 Business Meeting
- 28 End of Year Awards Banquet

June

- 24-26 Field Trip - Sail250 Maryland and Airshow Baltimore

End of Year Contest

Any photograph which has won 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th place in a monthly contest is eligible to be entered in the year-end judging of that program year in the class in which it was originally entered, regardless of the contestant's current class standing.

It shall be the responsibility of the maker to return any eligible print to the Contest Chairman for the year-end judging.

The contest chairman already has your winning digital images.

The deadline for bringing in your winning prints for the EOY Contest is April 26.

Note about the Newsletter

I have discovered an issue with the newsletter. The problem affected sections of the newsletter, like the contest winners.

On Apple iPhones and iPads the newsletter was not displaying properly. The problem is that Apple's pdf viewer is not fully functional and cannot display gradients properly. Since I used a gradient for each page background this resulted in issues where the white text could not be read.

You can see in the below images. The left image is correct. The right image is incorrect.



Going forward I have fixed the problem. When I have time, I will go back and update as many of the past newsletters as I can. I doubt I will be able to update all 70 newsletters.

Mike Thomas
Newsletter Editor

Field Trip - Oregon Ridge Nature Center



FIELD TRIP
OREGON RIDGE
NATURE CENTER
SATURDAY
2 MAY 2026

Join us for a spring photography outing at the beautiful Oregon Ridge Nature Center on **Saturday, May 2, 2026!** This scenic location offers a rich mix of woodland trails, open meadows, historic structures, and abundant wildlife—perfect for photographers of all skill levels.

Photo opportunities include:

- Songbirds and woodland wildlife
- Spring foliage and wildflowers
- Rustic buildings and historical features
- Streams, bridges, and textured natural scenes

Event Details

- **Date:** Saturday, May 2, 2026
- **Location:** Oregon Ridge Nature Center
- **Time:** (*suggested*) 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM (best light and wildlife activity)
- **Meeting Point:** Nature Center parking lot

What to Bring

- Camera and lenses (consider telephoto for wildlife and macro for close-ups)
- Tripod (optional but helpful for low-light or creative shots)
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Water and light snacks
- Bug spray and weather-appropriate clothing

All Skill Levels Welcome

Whether you're just getting started or have years behind the lens, this is a relaxed, social outing. Share ideas, learn from each other, and enjoy a morning immersed in nature.

Notes

- Please respect wildlife and stay on designated trails
- Be mindful of other visitors and photographers
- Carpooling is encouraged if possible
- The Lake Trail and access to the Lake are closed at this time.

Program - Denise Silva - Night Photography



THE ARUNDEL CAMERA CLUB
INVITES YOU TO A
PRESENTATION BY

DENISE SILVA
NIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY

THURSDAY
7 MAY 2026
7:00 PM EST

FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM

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Night photography is both rewarding and challenging. It requires specific equipment and camera settings with a dash of patience. The end result, unique images that look into a world often unseen, such as the activity on the streets of the city once the sun goes down and people head in for the night. With the right equipment, you can even see into space, catching glimpses of stars the naked-eye can't see. This presentation will start you on your journey to night photography.

Denise's passion for photography began when her grandmother shared captivating images from her travels to Egypt and Africa on safari. Evenings spent watching slideshows planted the seed, which

blossomed 35 years later into a deep love for photography—especially travel photography—leading to the creation of Road Runner Photography Tours. Since 2013, Denise has been running photography workshops, helping others discover the art and joy of photography.

Denise has been recognized as one of the Top 200 Women Photographers Who Inspire by Nature Photo Guides. Her work has been featured in Extraordinary Vision (EV) Magazine and Breakthrough Photography's Guide to Night Sky Photography. She is passionate about sharing her knowledge while introducing people to the stunning landscapes, diverse wildlife, and vibrant cultures around the world.

She has contributed multiple articles to the Fujifilm X/GFX USA website and was interviewed by Peggy Farren of Understanding Photography on Overcoming the Challenges of Street Photography.

Denise embraces the idea that "every day above ground is a good one," so get out and enjoy! Join her and her team for your next photography adventure! You can see some of Denise's photography at her online [Gallery](#).

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Contest - Digital - Club Events



The club events digital contest is Thursday evening May 14th at 7:00PM at the Severna Park Baptist Church. Entries will be reviewed and critiqued by a judge. **Two “Best in show” awards will be awarded. One for Novice and one for Unlimited. Each award wins free club membership for the next club year.**

There will be a Novice and an Unlimited category. **You may submit one color and one monochrome digital photographs from each club event you attended during the club year.** This will only be digital. No prints. All submitted images shall be judged regardless of the number of submissions.

Club events include any field trip, meeting, gathering, tabletop night, portrait night, photowalk, fundraisers, meet & shoots, the summer picnic, the Christmas party, campfires, exhibits, and last year’s club banquet. Go back through your files from the 2025-2026 club year and pull out your favorite photos from all the club events.

Remember, you can submit all photos that comply with the rules above, including those you submitted and/or won with in monthly contests.

The contest is open to club members in good standing. Images need to be 2048 pixels maximum on the longest side. They should be jpg formatted. The deadline for submissions is noon on Tuesday before the contest. File naming conventions and formatting are detailed in the [Contest Rules](#).

Here are some other resource:

- [ACC Digital Contest Submission Instructions.](#)
- [Submission Portal.](#)

If you have any questions contact the contest chairman Ron Peiffer.

Business Meeting



THE ARUNDEL CAMERA CLUB
INVITES YOU TO A
PRESENTATION BY

BUSINESS MEETING

THURSDAY
21 MAY 2025
7:00 PM EST

SEVERNA PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM

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On May 21 we will host our business meeting to elect officers, discuss changes to our contest rules, discuss dues, and select themes for next year's contests.

Elections - For the election, we could really use your help. This is an all volunteer run club. We have the following positions: president, programs, contests, secretary/treasurer, newsletter editor, field trips, refreshments, members at large, and webmaster.

It's best for program and contests if we have co-chairs. So please consider serving in one of these positions.

If you would like to serve in one of these positions, email the executive committee officers@arundelcameraclub.org.

Contest Themes - We have established a contest themes committee to brainstorm and discuss themes as well as changes to the themed contests. These will be presented at the business meeting for discussion and vote.

Contest Rules - Per the new by-laws, the contest rules must be reviewed every two years. This is your chance to suggest and discuss changes.

Budget and Dues - Our club treasury will give a report on the clubs financials, assets, liabilities, and we will discuss changes to the dues if necessary.

Club Logo - We will review proposed new club logo and make a final decision to keep old logo, accept new logo, or go back to the drawing board.

End of Year Awards Banquet



Club Members (free and paid) and families are invited to the Arundel Camera Club End of Year Awards Banquet on Thursday May 28th starting at 6:30pm at Olive Grove in Linthicum Heights Maryland.

This is when we present our best of the best images for the year and give awards to the best monochrome print, color print, and digital photograph for the year as well as present the results of the end of year competition. This is also the last chance to get together and socialize before our summer break.

We need a minimum of 25 attendees. You are confirmed when our treasurer has your check and once received, you will receive a confirmation email.

Location: [Olive Grove](#), 705 N Hammonds Ferry Rd., Linthicum Heights, MD 21090.

Buffet Dinner Includes:

- Main Course
 - Chicken Parmigiana
 - Beef Tips Burgundy
 - Flounder Florentine
- Salad
- Vegetables - Rice & Green Beans
- Homemade Breadsticks
- Assorted Sweets
- Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks, Water
- Cash bar available

Gluten Free options available upon request.

Payment:

- RSVP by May 11th.
- Price is \$42.00 per person.
- Make check payable to the "Arundel Camera Club."
- Bring check to a meeting or mail to:

Susan Webber
713 Maiden Choice Lane
Apt. 4302
Catonsville, MD, 21228

Congratulations

Bob Webber

Congratulations to Bob Webber. He sold the photograph below for the Charlestown Benevolent Care Fund. It's only the second photo Bob has ever sold! The fund is supported by donations and provides financial assistance to residents of the Charlestown retirement community who face unexpected financial crises, ensuring they can remain in their homes. It acts as a "Home for Life" guarantee.



ARUNDEL CAMERA CLUB

If you have an photo in a gallery, have been published, won an award, or sold an image; please let us know so we can share and celebrate your accomplishment.



Jericho Mill and Covered Bridge Photos



Jericho Mill and Covered Bridge Photos



Darwin Green



Dawn Grannas



Cathleen Steele

Jericho Mill and Covered Bridge Photos



Darwin Green



Mike Thomas



Darwin Green



Dawn Grannas



Mike Thomas



Dawn Grannas

March Digital Novice Contest Results



1st Place - Darwin Green
"Emergence"



2nd Place - Gwen Neff
"Lead Singer Don't Back Down Band"



3rd Place - John Crooks
"Pumping The Breaks"



HM - Colin McNaught
"Military Conflict"

March Digital Novice Contest Results



HM - Darwin Green
"Ascent"



Honorable Mention - Diana Linnekin
"Renn Fair"



HM - Ed Sievers
"Bay of Fundy"



HM - Sarah Derritt
"Polar Star Roses"

March Digital Unlimited Contest Results



2nd Place - JC Williams - Beautiful Landing



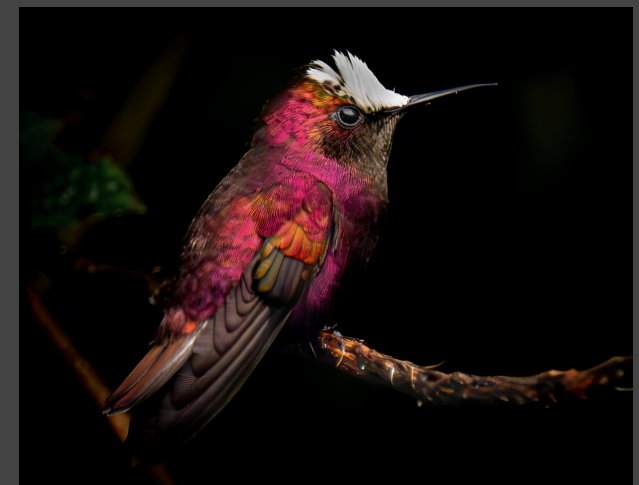
1st Place - Catherine Rush
"Hummingbird in Spring"



4th Place - Fred Venecia
"Ms Dixon"



3rd Place - Dawn Grannas
"Morning Watch"



HM - Cathy Hockel
"Snowcap Hummingbird"

March Digital Unlimited Contest Results



HM - Cheryl Kerr
"Late Summers Eve"



HM - Mike Thomas
"Sandy Point Shoal Lighthouse"



HM - Ron Peiffer
"Sharp-Shooter"



HM - Tammi Gorsak
"Yummy Beechnut"



HM - Tim Huesgen
"Desert Sunrise"

March Color Prints Novice Contest Results



1st Place – Chris Baranec
“Sunflower”



2nd Place - Diana Linnekin
“Wood Duck”



3rd Place – Chris Baranec
“Window Miller”



4th Place - Diana Linnekin
“Bubbles at the Ren Fair”



HM - Colin McNaught
“Military Conflict”

March Color Prints Unlimited Contest Results



1st Place – Ron Peiffer
“Flamingos”



2nd Place – Clarence Carvell
“Leaf on Spillway”



3rd Place – Ron Peiffer
“Here Comes the Sun”

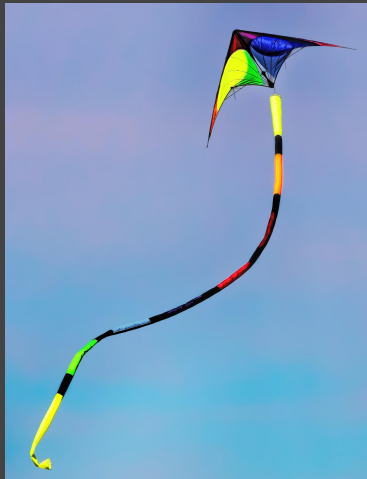
March Color Prints Unlimited Contest Results



4th Place – Christine Milleker
“Faded Innocence”



HM – Catherine Rush
“Fresh”



HM - Catherine Rush
“Long Tailed Kite”



HM - Fred Venecia
“Miss Winter”

March Monochrome Prints Novice Contest Results



1st Place - Tim Husegen
"Mesquite Sunrise"



2nd Place - Diana Linnekin
"Approaching Storm"



3rd Place - Colin McNaught
"LBJ Tack Room"



4th Place - Tim Huesgen
"Mesa"

March Monochrome Prints Unlimited Contest Results



1st Place - Mike Thomas
"Reflections of the Waterside Woolen Mill"



2nd Place - Christine Milleker
"Engine 47"



3rd Place – Cathy Hockel
"Pensive pair"

March Monochrome Prints Unlimited Contest Results



4th Place – Ron Peiffer
“Street Reads”



HM - Fred Venecia
“Rose”

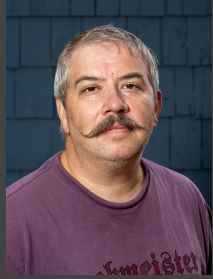


HM - Mike Thomas
“1939 Chevrolet Master Deluxe”



HM – Ron Peiffer
“Power Lines”

Club Officers and Staff



John Milleker,
Jr.
President



Christine
Milleker
VP Programs



Ron Peiffer
VP Contests
MPA



Susan Webber
Treasurer



Russ Zaccari
Secretary /
Webmaster



Doug Wood
Member at
Large



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Member at
Large



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Djordjevic
Field Trips /
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Fred Veneca
Contest
Committee



Mike Thomas
Webmaster /
Newsletter



Chip Bulgin
Past President

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.](#)

