

# Lens Line Newsletter



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# Draft 2016-2017 Schedule

## Draft Schedule

### July

9 Field Trip: Tuckahoe Steam Rally

### August

28 Club Picnic & Reunion – Jackie Colestock's

### September

7 Year Intro/What I did over the Summer Slide show

14 Program: Printing/Color Management

17 Field Trip: Truck Graveyard

21 Contest: Digital – Open

28 Contest: Color & Monochrome Prints – Open

### October

5 Program: Composition – “Scapes”

12 Photo walk: Fells Point/Canton (School Closed – Yom Kippur)

19 Contest: Digital/Color & Monochrome Prints – \*Scapes

22 Field Trip: Eastern State Penitentiary

26 Program: Urban Exploration – “Decay”

### November

2 Contest: Color & Monochrome Prints – Open

5 Field Trip: Kent Island Preserve

9 Program: Still Life – “From the Kitchen”

16 Contest: Digital – Open

19 Field Trip: Green Mount Cemetery

23 **No Meeting – Thanksgiving**

30 Program: Capturing mood – “Humor/Whimsical”

### December

7 Contest: Digital/Color & Monochrome Prints – Decay

14 Christmas Party: Christmas Party (Mike Thomas')

21 Tentative Photo walk Christmas Lights

28 No Meeting Christmas

TBD Field Trip: Studio

### January 2017

TBD North County Library Exhibit Setup

4 Program: Creating a portfolio

11 Contest: Color & Monochrome Prints – Open

18 Tabletop Night

21 Field Trip: Washington D.C. Churches

25 Contest: Digital – Open

TBD North County Library Exhibit Take Down

### February

1 Program: Home studio lighting on a budget

8 Contest: Color & Monochrome Prints – From the Kitchen (not food)

15 Program: Layers

22 Contest: Digital – From the Kitchen (not food)

TBD Field Trip: TBD

### March

1 Program: Changing the color of a background

8 Contest: Color & Monochrome Prints – Open

15 Program: Portrait post-processing

22 Contest: Digital – Open

29 Program: Photographers Rights

TBD Field Trip: TBD

### April

5 Program: Taking action photos

12 Photo walk? (No School – Spring Break)

19 Program: Camera care

26 Contest: Digital/Color & Monochrome Prints – Humor/Whimsical

TBD Field Trip: TBD

### May

3 Program: 46 things to do before you click the shutter

6 EOY Contest

10 Business Meeting

17 Contest: Club Events

24 End of Year Banquet

31 Officer's Meeting

TBD: Field Trip: TBD

# September Schedule

The officers are working hard to finalize our schedule for the year. Greg and Cathy Hockel are coordinating programs, Bob and Susan Webber are fleshing out the details for our field trips. Chris Van Valkenburgh has been rounding up judges.

**September 7: Year Intro/What I did over the Summer Slide show** - We made some significant changes at the business meeting, it will be important for members to attend, so they can hear about the changes. We will also hold a digital sideshow of club member photographs "What you did this summer?". Submit three digital images by Tuesday evening to [contests@arundelcameraclub.org](mailto:contests@arundelcameraclub.org). Please size them 1024px on the long side and make sure to send them as an attachment to your email. Also note dues are now \$35.00/year. Please bring a check made out to Arundel Camera Club.

**September 14: Program: Printing/Color Management** -

**September 17: Field Trip: Truck Graveyard** - On September 13 2

**September 21: Contest: Digital – Open** - This is the first contest of the new year. The theme is open so anything goes. Paid members may participate in the competition. The public is welcome to attend and observe the judging to learn from the judge's critiques. During judging, the individual identities of the photographers are kept secret to allow the judge to give helpful feedback without embarrassing the photographer. Comments/Discussions may inadvertently bias the judge and make it harder to hear the critique so club members are reminded not to comment during the competition. These contests are particularly good learning experiences for all photographers on composition and exposure and are useful for those photographing at all levels.

**September 28: Contest: Color & Monochrome Prints – Open** - We will have our second competition of the year. The category is open. Club members may submit three monochrome prints and three color prints. The rules for print competitions are available at the club's website, [www.arundelcameraclub.org](http://www.arundelcameraclub.org). Competition is open only for members, but the meeting is open to the public.

## Field Trips

We are still working on field trips for the year but we have a few planned already. If you have anymore suggestions, please send an email to Bob Webber our field trip chairman at [fieldtrips@arundelcameraclub.org](mailto:fieldtrips@arundelcameraclub.org).

## Photo Walks

During the past couple of years, in place of several meetings, we have gone on photo walks. We have been to Baltimore and to Annapolis. These events were popular and provided an opportunity to practice and learn. Send your suggestions in for places to go photo walk this year. Please send them an email at [programs@arundelcameraclub.org](mailto:programs@arundelcameraclub.org).

## Programs

You will notice most of the program nights have been tentatively filled in but we are still looking for speakers or club members to lead these programs. The Hockels will be working hard to find great programs and speakers. We are planning to have more table top nights and a portrait/lighting night as well as photo walks. If you would like to volunteer to give a program or have any program suggestions, please send them an email at [programs@arundelcameraclub.org](mailto:programs@arundelcameraclub.org).

## Contest Judges

Chris Van Valkenburgh, as of right now, has found judging for all of the 2016 contests and is working on 2017. Chris said "The first person to complain about 'my judge' not doing a good job gets to do this job next year." Chris is trying not to reuse any judges from the past two years. Is you have any suggestions email [contests@arundelcameraclub.org](mailto:contests@arundelcameraclub.org).



# September Field Trip - Old Truck Graveyard

The old truck graveyard in Columbia, Virginia is an great location for taking photos for the upcoming competition with the theme of decay. P.L. Duncan Trucking has barns and fields full of old rusting trucks and cars. It's great for practicing HDR photography too. There is a nice collection of about 60 old trucks.

The address is: 2 Duncan Store Rd, Columbia, Virginia. The drive is around three hours. You have three options for getting there:

1. Drive down on Friday - If you want to drive down the night before you can stay in a nearby hotel. There is a BEST WESTERN PLUS Crossroads Inn & Suites 40 minutes from the graveyard at 135 Wood Ridge Ter, Zion Crossroads, Virginia, 22942-6966, US. There are also hotels near Richmond. Bob and Susan are going down on Friday.

2. Drive down Saturday morning. If you would like to carpool, you should probably meet around 6:00am at the park and ride next to the Severna Park Racquetball club off of Veterans Highway near Benfield Boulevard.

3. Make your own way down and meet at P.L. Duncan Trucking around 9:00am. We'll meet at the store; the trucks are in a locked field across the street. There are some old trucks outside the store as well that you can start on while we wait for people to arrive.

Make sure to wear light color clothing with long pants and sleeves. The trucks are in a field on an active farm. So wear boots and watch where you step. The last time we went there were a lot of ticks. Make sure to check each other at the end of the day for ticks. Bring sun screen, bug spray, food, and water. This is literally in the middle of nowhere.



Mike Thomas



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# October Field Trip - Eastern State Penitentiary

The October field trip will be to Eastern State Penitentiary in Philadelphia. According to their [website](#) "Eastern State Penitentiary was once the most famous and expensive prison in the world, but stands today in ruin, a haunting world of crumbling cell blocks and empty guard towers."

Admissions is \$14 for adults and \$12 for seniors. Reservations are strongly recommended. Tickets can be reserved online, by phone (215) 236-3300, or purchased at the door, subject to availability. You can use the code "CTM16" to get \$2 off when you purchase your tickets online. Photographers using a tripod must purchase a seasonal equipment pass for an additional fee of \$10.

Eastern State Penitentiary is located at 2027 Fairmount Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19130. Their hours are from 10pm until 5pm. The drive is a little over two hours. For anyone that would like to car pool, we should probably meet at 7:30am at the park and ride next to the Severna Park Racquetball club off of Veterans Highway near Benfield Boulevard.

Email Bob Webber at [field-trips@arundelcameraclub.org](mailto:field-trips@arundelcameraclub.org) to let him know if you are going and are going to car pool. For anyone not car pooling, we will meet you there at 10:00am.



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Bob Miller



Vicki Pardoe



David Joyner



Mike Thomas



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# 2016-2017 Themes

**Humor/Whimsical** - This theme will be challenging. You must take photos that evoke a sense of humor or whimsy, both of which are very subjective. Humor is defined as the quality of being amusing or comic, especially as expressed in literature or speech. Whimsical is defined as playfully quaint or fanciful, especially in an appealing and amusing way. Whimsical can also be defined as acting or behaving in a capricious manner. Click here for examples of [Humorous Photographs](#) and [Whimsical Photographs](#). Take them for what they are worth but remember the final interpretation will be by the judge.

**From the Kitchen (not food)** - We all have a kitchen. This theme can be basically any photo taken in a kitchen or a photo of anything that can be found in a kitchen. For example people cooking or washing dishes or seated around the kitchen table enjoying a meal. Although the image may include food, it should complement the scene and not be the primary subject of the photograph. [Click here for examples](#).

**\*Scapes** - Photographs of land, water, groups of buildings, clouds or a combination of these. The image should not be a close up. An image of a single tree or flower 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 and not be the primary subject of the photograph. Also includes cityscapes and seascapes. Click here for examples of [Landscapes](#), [Cityscapes](#), and [Seascapes](#).

**Decay** - Decay can be defined as to decline from a sound or prosperous condition, to fall into ruin, or to decline in health, strength, or vigor. Your challenge is to create images that document or convey the sense of decay. [Click here to find examples of images of decay here](#).



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Bob Miller



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Cathy Hockel



Ron Peiffer



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# Summer Picnic & Pool Party





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# Club Information

## Meeting Nights

The Arundel Camera Club meets every Wednesday evening when school is in session and weather permitting. We only meet if the School is open. Check for school closings at the following link <http://www.aacps.org/>.

We meet at 7:30 p.m. and usually end before 9:30 p.m. Meetings are open to the public, but only dues paying members may enter competitions.

Meetings alternate with programs of informative speakers and photographic competitions. The purpose of programs are to bring in highly talented photographers to show us how to improve our photography.

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. We have competitions for slides, color prints, monochrome prints, and digital images. 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

Students.....	\$17.50
Individual .....	\$35.00
Family .....	\$15.00 each additional family member

## Directions

We meet in room 114 at the Severna Park High School which is located at 60 Robinson Road, Severna Park, MD 21146-2899. The best place to park is in front of the school. We have to enter and leave by the front doors. We must put the room back the way we found it and vacate the building by 9:30 PM.

