

Lens Line Newsletter



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On the Cover: The cover image titled “Three Saints” was taken by club member Bob Webber and won 1st Place in the March Novice Monochrome Prints Open contest.

On This Page: The above image titled “The Artisan” was taken by club member Ron Peiffer and won 1st Place in the March Unlimited Monochrome Prints Open contest.

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Club Announcements

Promotions

To advance from the Novice Class to the Unlimited Class in a category, members must accumulate 50 points in that category. Winners are allotted points for each ribbon they win as follows:

1st Place	8 points
2nd Place	6 points
3rd Place	4 points
4th Place	2 points
Honorable Mention	1 Point

Jackie Colestock Digital
Bob Webber Monochrome



Tricolor Ribbons

During a contest, when all three of a club member's photos win a ribbon, we award them a special red, white, and blue tricolor ribbon. During November we had two club members who won the tricolor ribbon:

Cathaleen Ley Novice Digital
Fred Venecia Novice Monochrome

Thank You

A special thanks goes out to our March judges Reb Orrell and Steve Bruza.

These photographers and artists have been gracious enough to come judge and/or give programs to the ACC. Without them, we couldn't have a club.

Schedule

May 3: The last program of the year will be “**50 things to do before you click the shutter**” - [Lori Gross](#).

May 20: **Field Trip - Brookside Gardens** - 50-acre public display garden situated within Wheaton Regional Park. Included in the gardens are several distinct areas: Aquatic Garden, Azalea Garden, Butterfly Garden, Children's Garden, Rose Garden, Japanese Style Garden, Trial Garden, Rain Garden, and the Woodland Walk. The Formal Gardens areas include a Perennial Garden, Yew Garden, the Maple Terrace, and Fragrance Garden. Brookside Gardens also feature two conservatories for year-round enjoyment. A horticultural reference library is located in the airy Visitors Center. Admission to the gardens is free.

May 6 - End of Year Competition

BRING IN YOUR WINNING 1st THROUGH 4th PLACE PRINTS FOR THE END OF YEAR CONTEST. ALL PRINTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 3rd.

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 photograph to the Contest Chairman for the year-end judging.

The year-end competitions will be held off site on May 6th and general attendance by club members will not be allowed. Typically three judges will be used to judge the year-end competition. Voting shall be done electronically using the club voting box.

No reprints will be allowed in the year-end contest. Thus, the maker should take precautions to ensure the preservation of the original photograph if he/

she wishes to enter the picture in exhibitions or competitions outside the club and fears the original may be damaged in the process.

Based on the final year-end judging, awards will be presented as follows:

ALL CLASSES (color and monochrome prints and digital imagery): 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th in each class.

From among all of the 1st place winners of the year-end judging a single Photograph of the Year shall be chosen as the Best Photograph of the Year.

The member accruing the highest total points in a category (monochrome, color, digital) shall receive the following Photographer of the Year Awards:

- Monochrome, Color, and Digital Photographers of the Year for both Novice and Unlimited.
- Novice Photographer of the Year
- Unlimited Photographer of the Year

The end of year competition awards will be awarded at the yearly club banquet in May 24th.

May 10 - Business Meeting

On May 10 we will host our business meeting to elect officers, discuss changes to our rules and charter, discuss dues, and select themes for next year's contests.

For the election, we could really use your help. This is an all volunteer run club. We have the following positions: president, program chairman, contests chairman, secretary/treasurer, newsletter editor, field trip chairman, refreshments chairman, and webmaster.

It's best for program and contests if we have co-chairman. So please consider serving in one of these positions. We especially need new program as well as contest chairman and co-chairman.

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

Start brainstorming ideas for themes, field trips, and other activities.

We have already started receiving topics/suggestions from club members.

Field Trips:

More in the Annapolis/Anne Arundel County/Howard County/Eastern Shore/Calvert County.

Judges:

Could we develop more specific judging criteria?

Meeting Times:

If it works for the club leaders, could we check with group members if they would prefer to start at 7 and end at 9.

Contest Rules:

Propose a change in contest rules to require that all photos entered for competition be edited by the creator themselves. Editing includes cropping and use of all photography editing programs.

May 10 - Business Meeting

Potential Photo Contest Themes:

1. Seasons – photos that reflect the season or Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer (each a separate contest)

2. Emotions – photos that portray any emotions either with images of people or without (2 separate ideas)

3. Song Titles – could use broad category of songs or limit to one musician we are all familiar with (i.e. Beatles songs). This may be too hard.

4. Collections – collections of any objects (goes along with table top theme)

5. Love – any image capturing love

6. Animal contact (Non-domestic)

7. Upside Down

8. Old Style Hats and Coats

9. Blossom (flower)

10. Metals

11. Serenity

12. Street Life

13. Freezing Moments

14. Abandoned Buildings

15. Color Pink

16. Monochrome Abstract

17. The letter S

18. Wide Open Spaces

19. Streets After Dark

20. Brick Buildings

21. People

22. Squares and Rectangles

23. Community

24. Selective Color

25. Birds

26. Taken within the last 30 days

27. Taken around Anne Arundel County

28. Time

29. Sports

30. Abstract

31. Architecture

May 17 - Club Events Contest

On May 17 we will have our Club Events Contest. You may submit one color print, one monochrome print, and one digital image from each club event you attended during the club year. You may reenter images that have been entered and won during normal competitions.

This year's club events include:

- Last Year's Banquet
- Summer Picnic
- The Club Christmas Party
- Table Top Nights
- Photo walk: Fells Point/Canton
- Photo walk: 34St Christmas Lights
- Field Trip: Eastern State Penitentiary
- Field Trip: Kent Island Preserve
- Field Trip: Green Mount Cemetery
- Field Trip: Studio
- Field Trip: Washington D.C. Churches
- Field Trip: National Building Museum
- Field Trip: Cylburn Mansion Gardens

We also allow a number of local events to count for the club events contests including:

- Fourth of July fireworks shot anywhere in the local MD/D.C. area
- Maryland Renaissance Festival
- Tuckahoe Steam and Gas Show

The unlimited and novice best in show wins a free club membership respectively.



2015-2016 Best of Show
Greg Hockel "Best Dressed"

May 24 - End of Year Banquet

Our end of year club banquet will be on May 24th at Cafe Mezzanotte in Severna Park. This is where we present our best of the best images for the year and give awards to the best monochrome print, digital, and color print photographers 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.

Date: 24 May 2017

Time: 7:00 for drinks, 7:30 for dinner

Location:

Cafe Mezzanotte

www.cafemezzanotte.com

760 Ritchie Highway (Rt. 2)

Severna Park Maryland 21146

410-647-1100

Dinners are \$35 and the club will pay for the tax and tip. Each dinner includes the Entrée of your

choice from the following list, a house salad, bread and oil, non-alcoholic beverages, and Profiteroles for dessert. Alcoholic beverages are not included.

Banquet Entree Selections:

Risotto Primavera – mix vegetables, roasted red pepper coulis.

Chicken Parmigiana – capellini pasta, tomato sauce, mozzarella.

Salmon Picatta – capers, lemon white wine sauce, potato, vegetable of the day.

Veal Torino – scallopini, mushroom creamy rose sauce.

Please RSVP by May 4th with your dinner selection and payment. Please make checks payable to the Arundel Camera Club. For those who might not be able to make a meeting, your paid RSVP can be mailed to Jackie Colestock, 1335 Old Mountain Road, Pasadena, MD 21122.

Photo Opportunities



May 6: Kinetic Sculpture Race - The American Visionary Art Museum will be hosting the wacky Kinetic Sculpture Race where contestants compete on handmade, human powered works of art.

May 5-6: FlowerMart - Mount Vernon Square hosts spring FlowerMart for 108th year. The square around the Washington Monument will bloom with flowers, festivities, and food.

May 18-20: Preakness Celebration Balloon Festival - The Howard County Fairgrounds in Howard County, Maryland will brighten the skies this year as the Centerpiece Venue for the long running balloon festival. Spectators will enjoy the wonder of hot air balloons, specialty crafts, entertainment, and good food during this family-friendly festival. Parking fee \$20 per car per day or \$35 per car for a two day pass. [Details Here](#).

Thursday, May 18

7:00pm - Mass Balloon Ascension

8:30pm - 8:50pm Balloons stand up and glow - 20 minutes.



Friday, May 19

6:00am - Mass Balloon Ascension

7:00pm - Mass Ascension - book your flight now

8:30pm - 8:50pm Balloons stand up and glow - 20 minutes.

Saturday, May 20

6:00am - Mass Balloon Ascension

May 9 - June 11: Philadelphia Chinese Lantern Festival - This one-of-a-kind experience includes an all-new collection of larger-than-life, illuminated silk sculptures, acrobatics, dancers, authentic crafts and the return of a 200-foot-long dragon. Tickets \$17. Days & Hours: Sunday - Thursday 6:00 pm -10:00 pm, Friday & Saturday 6:00 pm -11:00 pm. [Details Here](#).

May 17-Oct. 1: Abstract Photography - The Baltimore Museum of Art. Browse photographs by 20th-century American photographers Harry Callahan, Aaron Siskind, and Minor White.

June 2-4: WWII Weekend - Everywhere you look there is living history before your eyes. Go back in time to learn about WWII

Photo Opportunities



from the brave men and women who lived it. Featuring the Commemorative Air Force B-29 Superfortress, “Fifi”. WWII Air Show: All types of famous WWII aircraft on the ground and in the air! Military Vehicle Show: See Allied and Axis vehicles placed in contextual display. WWII Battle Re-Creations: Skirmishes in a re-created French Village and a large scale demonstration battle take place. War Front Tent Displays: Allied, Axis, PTO, ETO, Mediterranean and Russian. Great American Home Front Displays: A 1940’s street re-creates the Home Front including the Victory Theater. Gates open at 8:30 AM. Tickets \$26. [Details Here.](#)

June 9: Horseshoe Crab Spawning, Slaughter Beach, DE - Slaughter Beach is an official sanctuary for horseshoe crabs. This is the state marine animal of Delaware and a “signature species” of the Delaware Bay estuary. Watch as these harmless animals swarm the beach while spawning during full moon in May and June.

June 10: Frederick County Barnstormers Tour - The Barns Of Linganore Valley. Nine barns in the rolling hills of Eastern



Frederick County will be featured during the Frederick County Landmarks Foundation 11th Annual Barnstormers Tour and Plein Air Paint-Out. The event will take place on Saturday, June 10, 2017. [Details Here.](#)

June 17-18: Photo Opportunity - Ocean City Air Show - The U.S. Navy Blue Angels will headline the 10th anniversary edition of the Ocean City Air Show on June 17-18, 2017! This year’s event will feature a wide variety of military demos including the F-22 Raptor, USMC MV-22 Osprey plus the return of the A-10 Warthog and civilian performers like the GEICO Skytypers. [Details Here.](#)

Get Out There and Shoot!

March Novice Digital Competition Results



1st Place Cathaleen Ley
"Breezy Gal"



2nd Place Alert Kok
"Virginia Landscape"



3rd Place Cathaleen Ley
"Bowl Full of Onions"

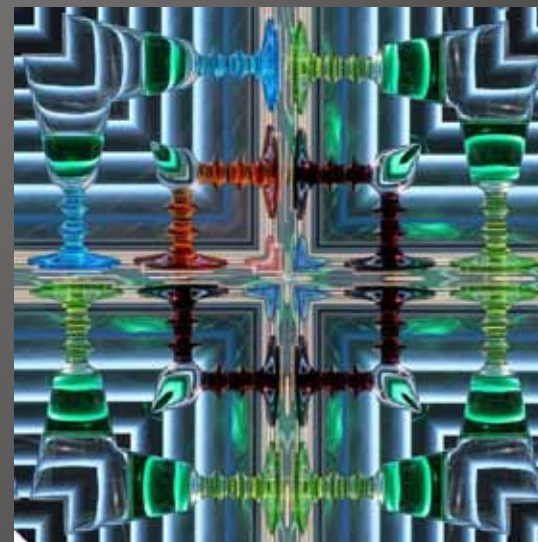


4th Place Zoe Smith
"Pillars"

March Novice Digital Competition Results



HM Christina Van Valkenburgh
"My Blue Eyed Boy"



HM Bob Webber
"Quad Rotation"



HM Cathaleen Ley
"St. Charles"



HM Jeremy Smith
"Ewell Blues"

March Unlimited Digital Competition Results



1st Place Greg Hockel
"Searching for Bait"



2nd Place Dawn Grannas
"Blue Heron"

March Unlimited Digital Competition Results



3rd Place Cathy Hockel
"Savannah Fountain"



4th Place Fred Venecia
"Bonnie"



HM Fred Venecia
"Christianna"



HM Cathy Hockel
"Dinner Time"



HM Ron Peiffer
"Orchid"

March Novice Color Competition Results



1st Place Sue Webber
"Greenwich Glasses"



2nd Place Ann Hickman
"Shadows"



3rd Place Louis Sapienza
"Gazelle"



4th Place Fred Venecia
"Morning"



HM Fred Venecia
"Audrey"



HM Fred Venecia
"Seagull"

March Unlimited Color Competition Results



1st Place Chuck Gallegos
"Solitary Beach"



2nd Place Cathy Hockel
"WalkWay"



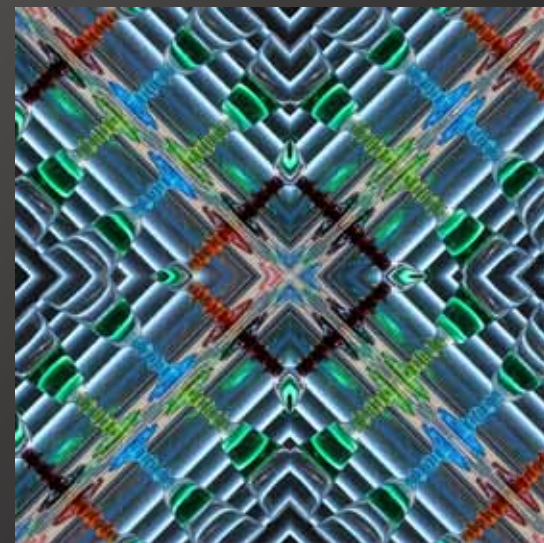
3rd Place Mike Thomas
"Urban Lights"



4th Place Ron Peiffer
"Trail's End"



HM Cathy Hockel
"Splash"



HM Bob Webber
"Four Fold Rotation"

March Novice Monochrome Competition Results



1st Place Bob Webber
"Three Saints"



2nd Place Cathaleen Ley
"Dusk at Chesapeake Heritage Preserve"



3rd Place Ann Hickman
"Courtyard he Cloisters"



4th Place Ed Niehenke
"Up Up and Away"



HM Ann Hickman
"Cathedral Arches"



HM Ed Niehenke
"Seattle's Great Wheel"

March Unlimited Monochrome Competition Results



1st Place Ron Peiffer
"The Artisan"



2nd Place Mike Thomas
"Decanter and Glass"



3rd Place Greg Hockel
"at the Waterfall Park"



4th Place Chuck Gallegos
"Between the Lines"



HM Mike Thomas
"The Mill"



HM Richard Chomitz
"Courtyard"

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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. The school doors are locked. We man the doors until 7:30. It is important to be there by then to gain entrance to the school. Meetings are open to the public, but only dues paying members may enter competitions.

Meetings alternate with programs of informative speakers 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. 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 at the Severna Park High School which is located at 60 Robinson Road, Severna Park, MD 21146-2899. We are now meeting in the the new building in room 156 on the first floor. You can park in the teacher's lot on the left of the school and come in the side door. We must put the room back the way we found it and vacate the building by 9:30 PM.

