

# Lens Lines Newsletter

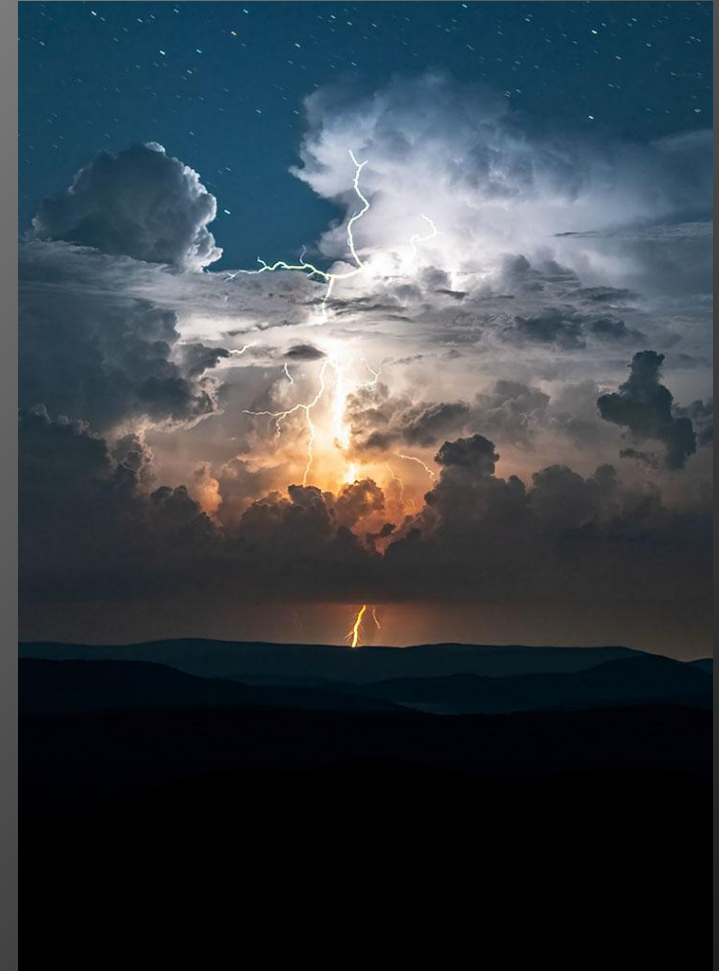
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On the Cover: The cover image titled “Nectar Lover” by JC Williams won 4th place in the March Unlimited Digital Contest.

Above: The above image titled “Thunderhead” by John Milleker, Jr. won Honorable Mention in the March Unlimited Digital Contest.

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# 2022 Schedule / Club Events Contests

## Schedule

### May

- 5 Business Meeting
- 12 Program - Robin Kent: Low Light Photography
- 14 Field Trip - Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge
- 18 End of Year Banquet - TBD
- 26 Contest - Digital - Club Events

### June

- 2 Officers Meeting
- 11 Field Trip - United States National Arboretum

## Club Events Contests

No, it's not over yet! One more monthly photo contest, and this one is for a free membership! The contest is on May 26, and here are the facts.

- In May we will have our Club Events Contest.
- There will be a Novice and an Unlimited categories.
- You may submit one color and one monochrome digital image from each club event you attended during the club year.
- All submitted images shall be judged regardless of the number of submissions.

- Club events include any **field trip, meeting, gathering, the Christmas party, and last year's club banquet.**

- Field Trips Include: George Peabody Library & Baltimore Landmarks, Library of Congress Reading Room, Cherry Blossom Washington DC, Brighton Dam Azalea Garden, Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge, Brookside Gardens, Longwood Gardens, Kenilworth Park and Aquatic Gardens, Annapolis. MD, Fort McHenry - Defenders' Day, Patuxent Research Refuge, Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary, and Conowingo Dam.

- 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**

- Two "Best in show" awards are made: Novice and Unlimited. Each award wins a free club membership.

Go back through your files from the 2021-2022 Arundel Camera 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.

Questions about the contest? Email them to your Contest team.

Bob Webber  
Mike Thomas  
Ron Peiffer  
[peifferr@mac.com](mailto:peifferr@mac.com)



# May 18 - End of Year Awards Banquet



We're extremely excited to announce our first in-person Awards Banquet since 2019! Club Members (free and paid) are invited to the Arundel Camera Club Awards Banquet on Wednesday May 18th starting at 7pm at Libations Tavern in Severna Park Maryland. We have a limited number of seats, forty-five to be exact. While we've only come close to this number in the past, we must make this a first come, first served event. You are confirmed when our treasurer has your check and once received, you will receive a confirmation email.

This is when 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.

## Your ticket includes:

Non-Alcoholic Beverages (Alcoholic beverages available for additional charge).

Mixed Green Salad with Raspberry Vinaigrette, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Red Onions, and Goat Cheese

Entree choice of:

1. Grilled Vegetable Pasta with Garlic Olive Oil
2. Roasted Lemon-Mustard Chicken, Asparagus and Red Bliss Potatoes
3. Sliced Beef Sirloin, Asparagus and Red Bliss Potatoes, or
4. Grilled Garlic Butter Shrimp, Asparagus and Red Bliss Potatoes

Cake for dessert.

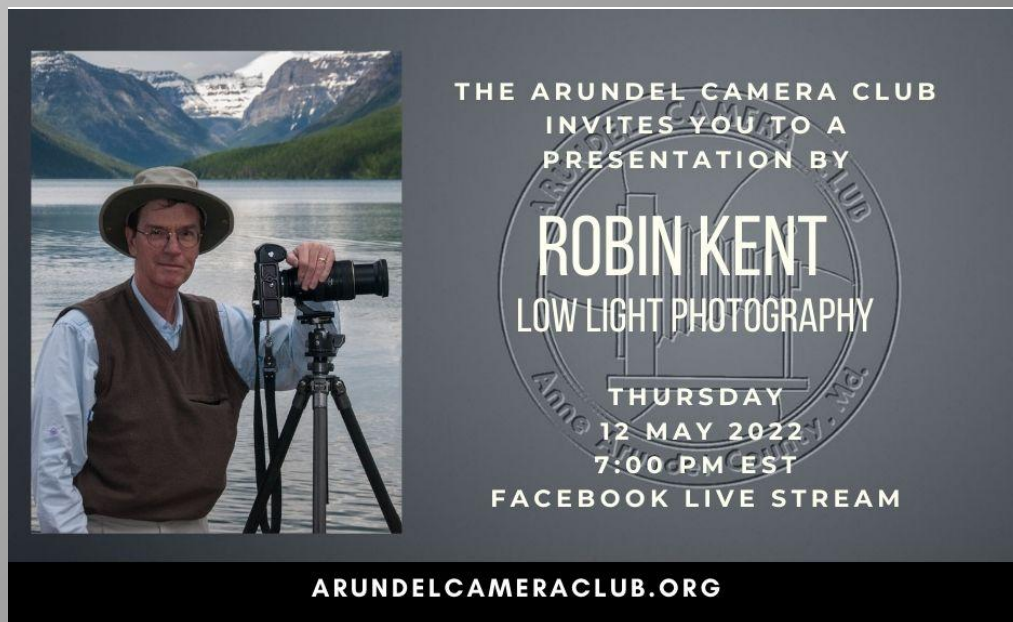
And a heck of a good time with other club members, fundraising raffles, and silent auction items!

**Price is \$47.50 per person which *includes* tax and tip.**

Please send check payable to the 'Arundel Camera Club' by Friday April 29th with number of people and dinner choice(s) marked in the check notes to:

Jackie Colestock  
1335 Old Mountain Rd  
Pasadena, MD 21122

# Program - Robin Kent: Low Light Photography



Robin Kent is a fine arts photographer best known for his dramatic images of Washington, DC. He also has photographed more remote locations such as the backcountry areas of Yosemite National Park, the frozen landscapes of the Antarctic Peninsula, and the northern latitudes in Iceland, Greenland, and the Canadian Arctic Archipelago.

Robin's photographs are in the collections of major corporations, local business organizations, and individual collectors. His training has included landscape photography from the late Galen Rowell, founder of Mountain Light Photography and

advanced printing techniques from Mac Holbert, a co-founder of Nash Editions. He is former President and a current member of Great Falls Studios, a consortium of 60 plus artists in Great Falls, Virginia.

My approach to photography is to seek out special moments and bring back what I experienced in the form of a photographic print. Sometimes the image represents long planning to be in the right place at the right time. Often, the right time occurs around dawn or dusk, a time that some photographers call the "magic hour," when the sun is close to edge of the horizon and the warm light of the sun mingles with the cool darkness of the night. And the best part is that no magic hour is like another.

Being in the right place depends on the imagination of the photographer as well as some dedicated preparatory work. Anticipating a combination of light, place, and natural events can produce memorable images, such as knowing the exact time a lunar eclipse will cross the tip of the Washington Monument or being aware of the few days in April that an ordinary tract of woods in Virginia will be transformed into a blue and white carpet of wildflowers.

[www.photographybykent.com](http://www.photographybykent.com).

# Field Trip - Blackwater NWR



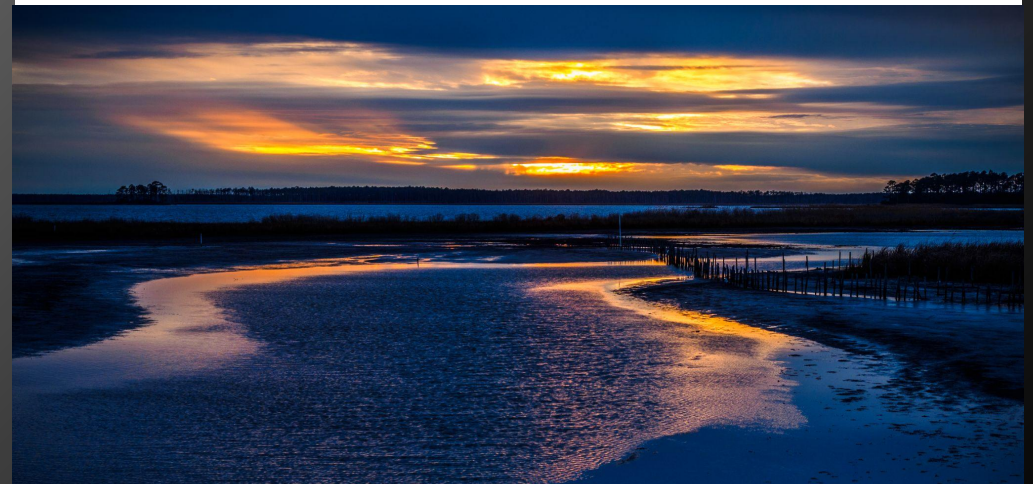
Plan to attend ACC field trip on May 14, 2022, to Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge. Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), located on Maryland's Eastern Shore, attracts a vast number of waterfowl to model Chesapeake Bay tidal wetlands. While primarily a tidal marsh, the refuge also includes a mature pine forest.

The NWR preserves over 26,000 acres as a wintering area for vast numbers of migratory birds. The most notable bird species that attracts birders from states away are the tundra swans that can be seen by the thousands in the winter months.

Visit the [Wildlife Refuge's website](#) to see a month, by month calendar of wildlife species that can be seen on the property. There is a good chance of seeing many types of birds including bald eagles. Additionally you may see foxes, otters, snakes, frogs, muskrat, racoons, owls, etc.

The refuge is approximately a two hour drive from Severna Park. Sunrise will be around 5:58AM. The Visitor Center hours are 10am - 4pm. Wildlife Drive and outdoor facilities are open daily, dawn to dusk, year round. A daily permit is required for all visitors to the Wildlife Drive. Private Vehicle - \$3.00.

If you are going, please send an email to [fieldtrips@arundelcameraclub.org](mailto:fieldtrips@arundelcameraclub.org).





# March Digital Novice Contest Results



1st Place - John Verdi  
"Hunger"



2nd Place - Debbie Wolf  
"Super Selfie"



3rd Place - Clarence Carvell  
"Prisoner"



4th Place - Clarence Carvell  
"Dunes"

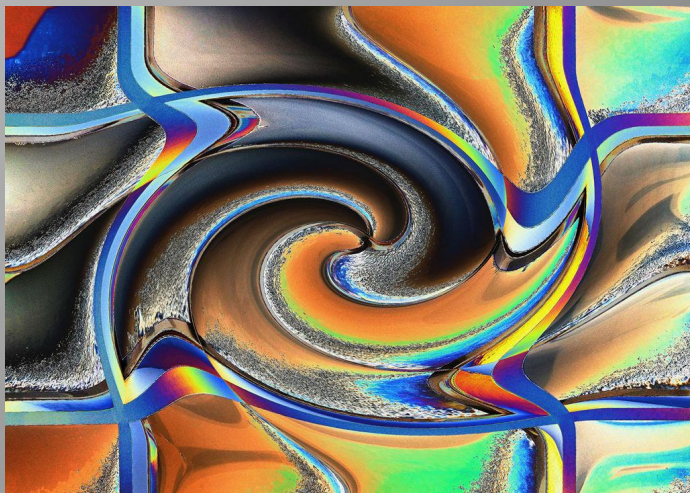


HM - Cathleen Steele  
"Senorita"



HM - Clarence Carvell  
"Running Red Fox"

# March Digital Unlimited Contest Results



1st Place - Bob Webber  
"Twist 270"



2nd Place - Mike Thomas  
"Sand Castle"



3rd Place - Terri Jackson  
"Whose Looking At Who"



4th Place - JC Williams  
"Nectar Lover"



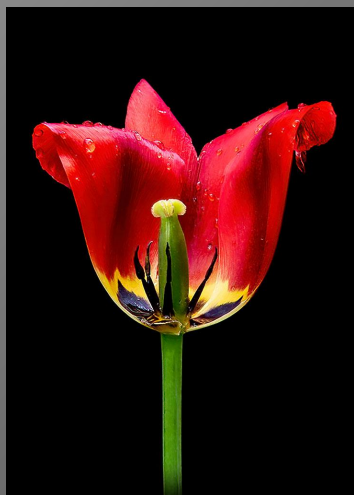
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HM - Fred Venecia  
"Ms Mell"



HM - Fred Venecia  
"One Talon Eagle"

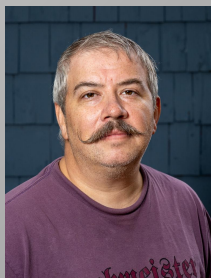


HM - John Milleker, Jr.  
"Split"



HM - John Milleker, Jr.  
"Thunderhead"

# Club Officers and Staff



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Jr.  
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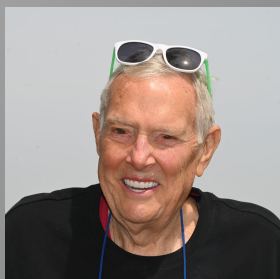
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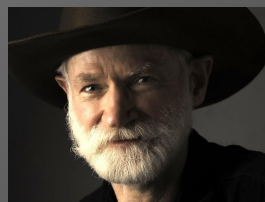
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# Social Media/Distancing

## Web Site

The club website can be found at <https://arundelcameracub.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@arundelcameracub.org](mailto:webmaster@arundelcameracub.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://arundelcameracub.org/newsletter/>.

## FaceBook

The club has a FaceBook Group which we are relying on during the COVID-19 restrictions. You can find the group here <http://facebook.arundelcameracub.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. 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 <http://youtube.arundelcameracub.org/>.

## Instagram

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

# Club Information

## Meeting Nights

Due to COVID-19 we will be broadcasting our live meetings to FaceBook every Thursday evening from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM.

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. 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, 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.

