



Wehr Nature Center Camera Club Newsletter

We're Back! Sort of. Wehr Nature Center is submitting a Covid mitigation plan so that they can re-open the building but approval of that plan takes time and will probably be implemented in phases. There is just too much great photography going on to wait for in-person meetings. To share all the great photography that is happening, and you members are engaged in, we will be meeting by zoom. Zoom is an easy to use video conferencing platform. It works on any device, no matter the operating system. It works on Mac computers, PCs, tablets, smartphones and laptops. Any device that has a camera and connects to the internet. Just download the application or go to [Zoom.com](https://zoom.us) to join the meeting. If you cannot join the meeting in person, you may join by phone also. The phone number to join our meeting is 1-312-626-6799. You will still need the meeting ID and the password that is listed below. Please watch you email for an invitation.

Special Announcement: WNCCC is hosting a webinar on **SEPTEMBER 23, 2020** entitled "The Art of Landscape Photography". In this seminar, Dr. Kah-Wai Lin will tell you the pro tips in seeing the unseen and crafting better images in landscape photography: how to use the lights to create visual emotion; how to use long exposure to create visual dynamism; how to use field of vision to create visual perspective; and how to use composition to create visual continuity and story. Dr. Lin is a professional landscape photographer based in New Jersey. He is the Goodwill Ambassador and former Chapter, Clubs and Councils Vice President of PSA. To learn more about Dr. Lin and to view some of his images, go to his website www.kahwailin.com You can also check out his Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/kahwailin

You will receive a registration link for this webinar shortly. The cost is free.

August Meeting: **August 8, 2020 at 9 am, via Zoom.** Meeting ID 835 6315 4489 ; password 156111. Or click the link (or copy and paste it into the browser search box)
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83563154489?pwd=T2FsY1dRUlQ1Nk9YNUw1ZlJiNUR1UT09>

Program: We will have a short business meeting followed by presentations by three of our members. Trish McCoy will share some photos of reptiles and amphibians that she took over the summer. Ramona Lenger will share some images of a river cruise on Danube River. Vinay Sinha will explain how he plans, executes and processes photos to stack them to create star trails, Milky Way and phases of eclipses in one stunning image.

September Program: September 12, 2020 – TBD

Upcoming Club Programs: The next few meeting dates and programs are listed below. The program co-directors are Trish McCoy and Jyoti Sengupta. If you have a topic you would like to see presented, please let them know and if you can coordinate the program, please let them know that also. You may contact them at colvinmccoy@aol.com and jnsengupta56@gmail.com.

- September 12, 2020 – TBD
- October 10, 2020 – TBD
- November 14, 2020 – TBD

Member Image Sharing: Members are encouraged to submit several (up to five) images to share with the club for gentle critique or just show and tell. This is a great way to get suggestions for improving your images and developing your photographic skills. This month anyone who is willing to share may submit up to five (5) images.

Please email your images to Linnea Matthiesen at Trekkielaw@aol.com by **August 7th**. When submitting your images, please change the file name to include your name as the first information in the file name and mention that this is for the image sharing in the email subject line. Also, resize your images so that the longest side

is 1024 pixels, with a maximum file size of 1 mb. This will help to streamline the process of viewing member images.

WNCCC News:

AWARDS: If you know of a member that should be acknowledged and congratulated as they won ANY recognition for any of their images, please forward a copy of the image, the member's name and a copy of the image to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com. You may nominate yourself also. **NO RECOGNITION IS TOO SMALL.**

Facebook: Our camera club has a Facebook page! If you are on Facebook, simply search for "Wehr Nature Center Camera Club" in the search box and you will find us. Click the join button. **The Administrator will approve you, at which time you may add posts, etc., to the site.** This is a Closed Group and open only to club members. This means that anything posted here can only be seen by members of the group. You can feel free to share your work here without fear that someone outside the club will have access to it. Anything posted here is private, so feel free to ask questions – don't be embarrassed or shy about it. The monthly Newsletter, meeting topics and outings will also be posted here. Check it out!

Website: WNCCC has a website also. RAMONA LENGER and VINAY SINHA have volunteered to be the co-webmasters! They are working on updating the information. The website is www.wnccc.net. We want to have a gallery that has at least five images from each member. **Please email five of your best images to lengerphotos@gmail.com or vinay.sinha@gmail.com.** **If you have a website of your images, and you are willing to share, please send Ramona a link to your page.** There will be an updated calendar for all of our events and meetings. This will be a place to go to get all the information on our club. If you have any ideas, please contact our co-webmasters at their email addresses.

If you have images from either of the two outings from this past fall/winter, please send them to Ramona by **August 7th** so that she can upload them to our website.

Photo Contests and Exhibits:

Wehr Club Page on WACCO Website: The WACCO website (www.wicameraclubs.org) has pages for each member club to display photographs from club members. Check it out to see what our members and other clubs are shooting. If you would like to see some of your images on our club page, please

send several of your images to Mary Dumont (maryldumont@gmail.com) . The images should be 2100 pixels on the long side and no larger than 1mb. Let's see some of our great member photos on the WACCO site!

If you are aware of any photo contests or exhibits, please forward the information to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com .

Future Events of Interest:

If you are aware of any events of general interest, please let me know at trekkielaw@aol.com so I can share them with the club.

Wisconsin Chapter of PSA News:

WACCO News:

- WACCO FaLL 2020 Competition will be held in November 2020. The special categories for the Fall competition are Sunrise/Sunset for the open division and the nature division special category is Natural Landscapes. Keep these in mind when you are out shooting. More information to come in future newsletters.

Photo ops: As a club, our members have a wide variety of subjects that we enjoy photographing. This newsletter can serve as an excellent way to share various photo opportunities with club members. If you know of interesting subjects or events that may interest other club members, please forward those to Linnea Matthiesen (trekkielaw@aol.com) so they can be included in future newsletters. If you are interested in having others join you, that information can also be included. It is fun to shoot with a group!

Photography Classes:

Mike Crivello's Cameras is celebrating their 50th anniversary with a series of photography classes throughout the year. Check out their class offerings at: https://medium.com/@Mike_Crivellos/2019-event-scheduled-de8726223d51 .

Art's Cameras Plus has an extensive list of classes covering everything from camera basics to photographing in a variety of situations, as well as how to use some of the popular post-processing software that is available. Check out their web site: www.artscameras.com .

The Bryan Peterson School of Photography has quite a few on-line courses available at <https://bpsop.com/courses-1/> . These cost around \$129 for a four-week course BUT there are sales that bring the price down to about \$100. The sales usually run during the holidays. It is worth checking these out.

Photographic Society of America (PSA) also has on-line courses and study groups available. These are available at no charge, BUT you must be a member of PSA to participate. There is more information on all the opportunities that PSA offers at <https://psa-photo.org/index.php?thinking-about-membership> .

If you are aware of other photography classes or seminars, please forward the information to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com .

Websites of Interest:

Wehr Nature Center Camera Club (WNCCC): www.wnccc.net .

Wisconsin Area Camera Clubs Organization (WACCO): www.wicameraclubs.org

Photographic Association of America (PSA): www.PSA-photo.org .

PSA Wisconsin Chapter: www.PSA.wisconsin.org .

Friends of Wehr Nature Center: <https://www.friendsofwehr.org> .

Club Organization:

Our Club officers are:

Co-Chairs	Ramona Lenger
	Linnea Matthiesen
Treasurer	Sheila Hall
Assistant Treasurer	Ramona Lenger
Co-Programs Chairs	Trish McCoy
	Jyoti Sengupta
Co-Outings Chairs	Mary Krajnak
	Mary Dumont

Webmasters	Vinay Sinha
	Ramona Lenger
Competition	Mary Dumont
Judge Procurement	Geri Laehn
WACCO Delegate	Mary Dumont
PSA Representative	Linnea Matthiesen
Newsletter Editor	Linnea Matthiesen
Membership Coordinator	Sheila Hall
Member at Large	Geri Laehn

Members should feel free to contact the officers with any questions and suggestions they may have for the club.

Membership Dues: Annual membership dues are \$20.

This is a change - We will be meeting monthly on the second Saturday of each month for the entire year, including July and August.

