

Wehr Nature Center Camera Club Newsletter

October Meeting: October 12, 2019 at 9 am, 9701 W. College Ave., Franklin, WI 53132.

Program: We will have a workshop photographing table top subjects. **Please** bring you camera, tripod, remote shutter release, walk about lens and a macro lens, (or closeup filters or extension tubes), flash and anything else you feel you need or anything you may want to photograph. We will have an assortment of things to photograph and a couple of light boxes for your use. We will also have a backdrop or two and we can use the natural light from the windows to light the subject. If you have a light box or a backdrop set, feel free to bring it with you. **COME AND ENJOY THE WORKSHOP!**

Beginners Corner: Starts at 8:15 am and will run till 8:45am at Wehr Nature Center (just before the meeting). Tim Kant will be coordinating this helpful and informative session. The list of topics are

October 12th - What is this PSAM dial on my camera? Why not always use AUTO? (exposure mode dial)

November 9th- Which camera should I buy? (Since Black Friday and Christmas are coming). DSLR vs Mirrorless vs smartphone. Sensor size. But your camera doesn't matter.

If you have any ideas, or want to lead a Beginners Corner, contact Tim Kant at timkantphoto8402@gmail.com.

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.

- ➤ November 9th Stitching with a demonstration by George Sanquist
- ➤ December 14th- Holiday celebration Bring you significant other and show your best 5 images from 2019
- ➤ January 11, 2020 Jyoti Sengupta will present a program on travel photography.
- ➤ February 8, 2020 Club Competition
- ➤ March 14, 2020 Judging PSA Club Showcase and?
- ➤ April 11, 2020 Judging WACCO print Circuit.
- ➤ May 2, 2020 -
- ➤ June 13, 2020 –
- > July 11, 2020 -
- > August 8, 2020 -

Upcoming Outings: Photo outings are a great way for the club members to share their common enjoyment of photography, learn some new techniques and share in camaraderie while getting to know our fellow club members. Our outings cocoordinators are Mary Dumont and Mary Krajnak. You may contact them at maryldumont@gmail.com and tismaryherself@gmail.com. They are working on outings that will include some traditional venues plus some new ones. If you have some ideas for outings, please let them know. Better yet, if you can coordinate the outing, pick a date and let them know so that we can announce it to the club. Perhaps you have an idea for fall colors or winter scenery.

There is work being done on an outing or two later in October. I hope to announce dates and details at the meeting so stay tuned!

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. In order to give everyone a chance to share their images during the year, we will select several individuals who will be featured at each meeting. Other individuals may also provide images which will be shared as time permits.

This month, GERI L., SHEILA D. & TIM K.will share some of their best images.

Next month, November, Diane Duffy, Mary Dumont and Sheila Donoghue will be asked to share images with the club. Please email your images to Mary Dumont at maryldumont@gmail.com by November 5th. 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. We all really look forward to seeing your images.

WNCCC News:

AWARDS: We will be acknowledging and congratulating members who have won ANY recognition for any of their images. So, please forward to me each month information on your awards or any recognition you may receive for any of your images. If you notice someone has received recognition, please let me know. I will try to receive permission to use the image in this newsletter. NO RECOGNITION IS TOO SMALL.

PSA Club Showcase: We will be viewing the winners from last year's competition.

Each year our club participates in the PSA Wisconsin Club Showcase. Each participating club submits seven images from seven makers to represent the club. All participating clubs judge the images and the final results are tabulated to determine the best images and the winning club.

If I receive more than 7 images, we will be selecting our seven club images for the next Showcase competition at the October meeting. So far, I have received three images. Please email your best image to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com. There are no restrictions on subject or date the image was taken. It can be either color or black & white. You must be a member of a club that is a PSA member club. WNCCC is a PSA member club. The only restriction is that you can enter only through one club, so please enter through Wehr if you belong to more than one club. We will be judging the other camera club submissions in the spring and they will be judging ours also. If you do know feel comfortable resizing your image, send it to me and I will resize for you. Instructions are attached also.

This is a good way to get some feedback on your images. Everyone has a great image that is worth submitting! Send it in!

WACCO NEWS:

<u>WACCO Fall 2019 Competition – Saturday, November 2, 2019:</u> The uploader is open so you can submit your images now and until October 13th at midnight. There is a nominal fee to enter. If you are a member of our camera club, you are a member of WACCO and are eligible to enter this competition. Members may submit prints and/or projected images in a variety of Open and Nature categories. I have attached entry instructions and information to this newsletter. This is also available at www.wicameraclubs.org. This is an easy competition to enter and members are encouraged to enter to see how their images compare to other Wisconsin photographers.

<u>WACCO print circuit deadline is November 2, 2019</u>. All prints must <u>physically</u> be to Mary Dumont by November 2nd. We are lucky that Mary is a member of our club so you can give her your prints at the meeting. I have attached the rules for the print circuit to this email. Please read them carefully to ensure your print conforms to the rules.

Facebook: Our camera club now has a Facebook page! If you are on Facebook, simplysearchfor "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 membersof 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. 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.

Future Events of Interest: CAPS – 2019 – November 23 – 24, 2019. The Chicago Area Photographic School is a two day photo school, featuring main speakers, classes, workshops and vendor displays. It will be held at the Wojcik Conference Center at Harper College in Palatine, IL. Additional information will be available in the future at the website of the Chicago Area Camera Club Association (CACCA), www.caccaphoto.org.





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

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 phots onthe WACCO site!

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<u>Wisconsin Public TV Garden & Landscape Expo – February 7-9, 2019:</u> <u>Entry deadline is December 15, 2019.</u> This competition is in conjunction with the annual Garden & Landscape Expo, which is held at Alliant Energy Center, Madison. All photos must include plant material. Categories include Macro, Landscape, Food and Abstract. Additional information and contest rules are available at www.wigardenexpo.com.

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

Wisconsin Chapter of PSA News:

Each year our club participates in the PSA Wisconsin Club Showcase. Each participating club submits seven images from seven makers to represent the club. All participating clubs judge the images and the final results are tabulated to determine the best images and the winning club. As stated above, if we receive more than 7 images, we will be selecting our seven club images for the next Showcase competition at the October meeting. Please email your best image to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com. There are no restrictions on subject or date the image was taken. Everyone has a great image that is worth submitting! Send it in!

The next PSA Wisconsin Chapter meeting is scheduled for November 3rd at 9 am at the Waukesha State Bank in Oconomowoc. If you are taking I-94 west bound, exit at Highway 67 and turn right. You will be taking the next left but you can see the bank. There is a frontage road that give you access to the parking lot. This is the same location as the WACCO competition. The address is 1227 Corporate Center DriveOconomowoc, WI 53066.

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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 othersjoin you, that information can also be included. It is fun to shoot with a group!

<u>China Lights</u> is at Boerner Botanical Garden from now until October 20th. The hours are from 5:30 pm to 10 pm. Admission is Adults 18 to 59 -\$20; Seniors 60 and older and children 5 to 17 are \$12; children under 5 are free. Parking is free. Tickets are for sale on the grounds but stop selling at 9 pm or at www.chinalights.org. There is a Groupon offer which has the tickets at a substantially discounted rate. There are no tripods allowed until after 9 pm BUT monopods are allowed.

Milwaukee Art Museum has two displays that may be of interest.

One is the Portrait of Milwaukee, which will be on display in the Herzfeld Center for Photography and Media Arts from now until March 1, 2020. It is a display of photos from the 1930s through the 2010s. Admission is included in the cost of admission to the museum.

The second is the James Benning and Sharon Lockhart: Overtime which is on display from now until March 1, 2020. It is also at the Herzfeld Center for Photography and Media Arts. American artists James Benning and Sharon Lockhart are separated by a generation, yet they both cite the influence of the other's films on their work. This two-part exhibition pairs the work of these two accomplished artists to highlight how close, studied observation can deepen and enrich often overlooked, everyday experiences. The photographs and films featured in the exhibition express how film, too, is photographic in nature, and offer extended views of a range of landscapes.

Photography Classes:

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

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

<u>The Bryan Peterson School</u> 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 pricedown to about \$100. The sales usually run during the holidays. It is worth checking these out.

<u>Photographic Society of America (PSA)</u> 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:

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Linnea Matthiesen

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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 and are due at the January 11, 2020 meeting.

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

