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Newsletter of the

CAMERA CLUB of RICHMOND

May 2019

President's Corner

April showers bring May flowers and lots of good photo opportunities!

We welcome Ken Conger back this month. Ken will give a presentation on wildlife you won't want to miss. We have invited members of Chamberlayne Heights United Methodist Church to this month's meeting in gratitude for them providing such a nice space for club meetings.

Check out the Vice President's column for submitting your images to hang in the Bon Air Library for the month of July. We are not going to display at The Balance Space as previously reported due to renovations. See the Publicity column for more details.

Also be sure to read the Education column – with Publicity they are full of things goings on. David Everette will be leading our first seminar of the year this Saturday on landscape composition and our own Rob Laurence will share his expertise at two events, a mini module on night photography ahead of this month's regular meeting on May 8 and at Hollywood Cemetery on Light Painting on May 11 to prep for our next assigned subject on night photography.

Please note that all club email addresses are changing to gmail. The old system will be discontinued at the end of this month so it's important to use the correct addresses to submit images or contact a board member. See the list of board members at the back of this newsletter.

Also note the changes to image submission proceduress on page 8 in the Publicity column.

This is a great time of year to be taking pictures so keep on clicking!

Philip Snider, President, CCR
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Camera Club of Richmond meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month

Chamberlayne Heights United Methodist Church
6100 Chamberlayne Road
Richmond, VA
Doors open at 6:00 p.m.
Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

Club Meetings
May 8
June 12
July 10
August 14
September 11
October 9
November 13
December 11

Board Meetings
May 22
June 26
July 24
August 28
September 25
October 23
November 20
December 18

Vice President's Corner

Ken Conger Presents "The Big Cat Year" and Other Wildlife Images at May Meeting

Wildlife photographer Ken Conger will present a buffet of spectacular photos, especially the big cats, captured during his 2018 adventures to Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda, Argentina, Chile, India as well as some US states.

In 2018 Ken concentrated on capturing some unique images and three species on his "Bucket List". Ken compliments his photos with stories, animal facts, audio and short videos. The program provides a view of a wildlife photographer's world and the challenges taken to capture stunning wildlife images.

We should have a full house as usual when Ken does his presentations.

Library Exhibit

It's time to start thinking about your entries for the Club's July library entries. We will be hanging about 18 of our members' photos for the month of July. Selection will be based on a lottery pick from the list of entries. I would like to have the list completed by the end of May so please send your name and photo names to me at VP.CCRVA@gmail.com. We will have the selection during the June club meeting. Entries that do not get selected will be chosen for the next Library event.

We have lots of cool events coming up as your board is working on to making our club one of the best clubs in the area. Help us recruit more people who will enjoy the club and its offerings!

Bob Papas, Vice President, CCR
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Education and Activities

Grab your camera and get outside for some great Springtime shots – before the "H-H-H" (Hot-Humid-Hazy) Virginia summer settles in.

Just a reminder…
We use MeetUp.com to schedule and communicate our ***Educational Events*** to both CCR members and other folks out there in the "MeetUp World". So you will see both familiar and NEW faces at some of our MeetUps! This is a GREAT way to invite people to CCR, so please make them feel welcome!

Landscape Composition by David Everett

Who:

David Everett, Photographer

What:

We welcome David Everette to lead our first educational seminar of the year: Landscape Composition.

David will share his knowledge and years of experience taking landscape photos in the Richmond area and around the world.

You can learn more about David and see some of his beautiful landscape photography on his Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/DavidEverettePhotography/

When:

Saturday, May 4, 2019 from 9 - 11 AM

Where:

Chamberlayne Heights United Methodist Church
6100 Chamberlayne Road, Richmond, VA

How much: $20 (cash or check payable to CCR)

May Mini-Module: Night Photography Basics with Rob Laurence

***** This is our last "regularly-scheduled" Mini-Module. If you don't want them to go away, we really need someone to step up and take the lead! *****

Who:

CCR Member, Rob Laurence

What:

Night Photography Basics

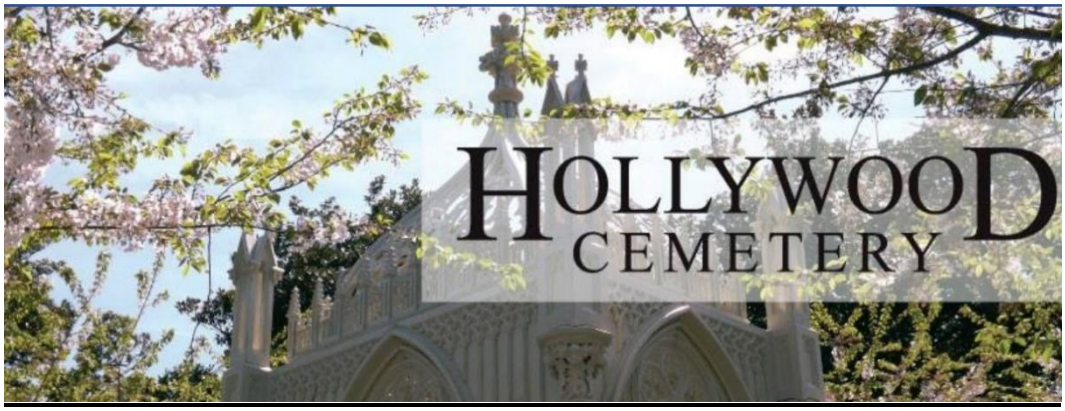
This mini-module is preparation for two nighttime meetups – one at Hollywood Cemetery where we'll have the place to ourselves to do light painting, and another at Powhatan Wildlife Management Area on a moonless night to photograph the Milky Way. (Stay tuned for more details in separate MeetUps.)

We'll talk about methods for determining proper exposure, focusing in the dark, nighttime photographer etiquette, and perhaps most importantly, what equipment to use and how to use it. We may have time to talk a little bit about post processing. You'll learn how to shoot star trails, and how to shoot crisp Milky Way star points. And you will be provided with handouts detailing all of the above, and can see some examples of his work in his travels.

When:
Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 6:15 PM (Just come a little early to the CCR meeting!)

Where:
Chamberlayne Heights United Methodist Church
6100 Chamberlayne Road, Richmond, VA

Light Painting with Rob Laurence



Who:

CCR's own, Rob Laurence

What:

Since the Assigned Subject for CCR's June Evaluation is "Night Photography", we thought it would be fun to learn about and practice some "Light Painting". And what better place in Richmond than Hollywood Cemetery?!

Join CCR Member Rob Laurence for a night-time expedition to Hollywood for a brief lesson on "Light Painting" and a chance to practice those skills (with some expert guidance and mentoring) in this beautiful, historic cemetery.

There is a $10 fee for this event so we can make a donation to Hollywood Cemetery. Please bring cash or a check payable to CCR with you. We will also publish a list of equipment you need to bring, so stay tuned for more information as we get closer to the date.

When:

Saturday, May 11, 2019, 7:30 PM – 10 PM

We will meet outside the gate at 7:30 PM for a quick lesson on "Light Painting". The Hollywood Cemetery guard will let us in **promptly at 8 PM**. The main gate will be re-locked and latecomers will NOT be allowed in. We must stay together as a group and leave together promptly at 10 PM.

We will reschedule if the weather does not cooperate, so please check the MeetUp Group messages before you leave home if things look iffy.

Where:

Hollywood Cemetery
412 S Cherry St · Richmond, VA
Hollywoodcemetery.org/

How much: $10 (cash or check payable to Camera Club of Richmond)

CCR Image Evaluation Procedures

Who:

Karen Davis, CCR Publicity Director

What:

CCR Image Evaluations: Everything You Need to Know!

Have you been thinking about submitting a photo for one of our CCR Image Evaluations, but weren't QUITE sure how? Never fear - here's your chance to learn everything you need to know!

Join Publicity Director, Karen Davis for a hands-on learning session on "How to Submit Your Images for Evaluation".

What we'll cover:

What IS an Image Evaluation?
When do Image Evaluations occur?
Who can enter images into an Image Evaluation?
How many photos may I enter?
How do I decide on Titles for my images?
What are the procedures for sizing and preparing my images in Photoshop/Lightroom?
Where do I send my Digital Images?
When is the deadline for submitting Digital Images (jpg files)?
What if I want to submit a Print?
What are Assigned Subjects?
Who does the “evaluations” for CCR’s Image Evaluations?
What does the Evaluator look for in my image?
What if I can’t be at the Image Evaluation meeting?
Was anyone else afraid to do this for the first time?

Please bring

• *A laptop with your editing software
• Several images you are considering for Evaluation
• Pencil & paper to take notes

* If you do not have a laptop, please come anyway; you will still gain valuable information that will help you submit your images.

When:

Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 7 PM

Where:

Chamberlayne Heights United Methodist Church
6100 Chamberlayne Road, Richmond, VA

How much: Free

Upcoming Educational Opportunities

While we don't have exact details, we do have some exciting plans for Educational Seminars. this year. Here are some things that are "in the works":

Indoor/Outdoor Lighting – by John Henley

Post Processing – by Bob Schamerhorn

Making Better Prints – by Doug Turner

Portrait Photography – by Bruce Murff

Other Educational Resources

Be sure to check the CCR Website for additional educational opportunities and resources.

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Keep on clicking!

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(NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES!)

Publicity

CCR Publicity Report

By: Karen Davis, CCR Publicity Director

Extra! Extra! Read All About It…!

Just keep repeating this phrase:
Change is good.
Change is **GOOD**!

Yes – we are changing our procedures for the Image Evaluations that occur 6 times a year at monthly CCR meetings. Just a little bit…

There are three basic changes:

1. When you submit your photos for an Image evaluation, you will now only send those jpg files to **ONE place**!

   Beginning with the JUNE Evaluation, **send ALL jpg files to our Digital Director**.

   Even if you are submitting prints - you **must** email those jpgs to our crackerjack Digital Director, Michael Orr by the Saturday, midnight deadline. Michael will produce a list of prints and send those digital images to our equally crackerjack Print Director, Leo Vaynberg.

   (Then, you will give your actual prints to Print Director at the meeting like always.)

2. Send your digital files to the **NEW EMAIL ADDRESS** for the Digital Director: **Digital.CCRVA@gmail.com.**
3. To make this work, we are making 2 slight changes to the **Naming Convention** for those digital files:
   a. You must now add the “Media Type” to the beginning of your file name:
      D = Digital
      P = Print
   b. You should now use an underscore (_) instead of a dash (-) to separate the parts of your file name.

The new procedures (including specific instructions on the new Naming Convention) are attached to this newsletter. In addition, our crackerjack Webmaster, Terry Troxell, will have them posted to the Website for you to reference any time you need them.

If you’re new and have no idea what all this means, join Karen Davis for a training session where we’ll go over exactly what you need to do to have your images evaluated.

What: CCR Image Evaluation Training
When: Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 7 PM
Where: Chamberlayne Heights United Methodist Church

But there's MORE!
Next up will be adjustments to the End of Year Competition Procedures to incorporate these modifications. (See, I didn't say "change" again!)

Are you enjoying our facebook EOY Slideshow?

This was our featured image at the time of publication:
"**Turnagain Point Reflected**" by **Phillip Snider**

We hope you'll tune in to see the many prize-winning images being displayed on our CCR facebook page. Keep checking back for more images and let those folks know that you appreciate their work. It only takes a second to click "Like"! (Or take a little more time and ask a question or make a comment.)

Featured Photographers: Please share some insights on your winning photos!

Here are those instructions on how to "Like" our CCR Facebook page:
https://www.facebook.com/CameraClubOfRichmond/ .
Just click the link, then
Click the "**Like"** button!

What's next on facebook?

Are you a prize-winning photographer OUTSIDE of CCR?
Have your images been accepted into a show?

If so, we'd love to know about your accomplishments and feature your images on our facebook page! By mid-June, we will have featured all of the 2018 CCR winners, so we need some fresh, new material! Please let us know whenever you've been accepted into a show or your images win prizes so we can help you celebrate.

Email the information and your photos to:
Publicity.CCRVA@gmail.com (NEW EMAIL ADDRESS!)

MeetUp

MeetUp is one of our primary "publicity" tools, so we will continue to utilize it to announce and invite folks to our general meetings and educational seminars as well as any activities and social events. So, just like with Facebook, you need to sign up – then please **show up** and engage with and learn from your fellow photographers.

Here is a link to our page: https://www.meetup.com/Camera-Club-of-Richmond/

Email Communications

You should have received this newsletter through our new CCR email address: CameraClubofRichmond@gmail.com

Your Board will now use this email address exclusively for membership-wide communications. Please make sure that you note this email address as an "approved sender" in your email program. This allows us to build and maintain a single contact list for the entire club. In addition, we can begin to track our Guests, Past Members, Presenters, and Evaluators.

Balance Space Update

Our friends at The Balance Space are undergoing renovations and we thought it best to NOT display at this time.

Therefore, we are CANCELING the MeetUp for our CCR Gallery Opening on Friday, May 3rd.

We are looking into having a CCR gallery show at the Bon Air Library with some of those images, so stay tuned for more info.

Keep on Clickin'!

Karen Davis, CCR Publicity Director
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Miscellaneous

B & H Photo & Adorama Commissions

B & H Photo and Adorama give CCR a 2% commission on any purchase made through the link on our club website: http://www.cameraclubofrichmond.com/web-links-for-more-info. The commission is good on **any** purchases from B & H and Adorama, not only on photographic equipment purchases.

CCR MeetUp

Check our CCR MeetUp site for new events and activities – and LOTS of great photos!

CCR Library

CCR maintains a library that offers free checkout to club members. The library list can be viewed at: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/u/0/. Books are available at club meetings.

Our planned monthly meeting schedule:

May: Ken Conger, Presentation
June: John Henley, Evaluation & Assigned Subject: Night Photography
July: Alex Nyerges (from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts), Presentation
August: Anthony Rumley, Evaluation & Assigned Subject: Oh Those Eyes
September: Scott Strimple, Presentation
October: TBD Evaluator for Open Evaluation
November: Bob Schamerhorn, Alaska Presentation
December: Awards Banquet

Please note that this schedule is subject to change.

The Camera Club of Richmond is proud to be a charter member of the Photographic Society of America

Visit PSA online:

www.psa-photo.org

For a PSA membership application see Carole Hagaman, CCR's PSA representative

PSA Mission Statement

The Photographic Society of America (PSA) promotes the art and science of photography as a means of communication, image appreciation, and cultural exchange.

PSA provides education, inspiration, and opportunity for all persons interested in photography

The Society fosters personal growth and expression, creativity, excellence, and ethical conduct in all aspects of photographic endeavor

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