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The Focal Point

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LINN AREA PHOTO CLUB
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Upcoming LAPC Meetings

Regular Meeting

Wickiup Hill Outdoor Learning Center, Toddville IA (???)

Sunday, January 13, 2013

Monthly Contest Theme: "Music" & "Red"

It's a new year. We have a new President, Tim McAdam. We have another *Canon Explorer's of Light* seminar coming up in a couple months. Our expected theme from last month is being forwarded to this month. It looks to be another good year!

LAPC Want-Ads

Club member and club Vice-President Bob Lancaster has a printer for sale, an **Epson Stylus Photo 2200** printer, for \$140. This printer prints beautiful long lasting images up to 13" wide on a wide assortment of papers. Bob also has a dozen assorted ink cartridges for the printer for an additional \$100 (MSRP \$11.99 each). All manuals and original parts are included. The printer works great. If interested, please contact Bob at...

... vice-president@linnareaphotoclub.org

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Upcoming Events

Canon Explorer's of Light Seminar: Jennifer Wu
Saturday, March 16, 2013

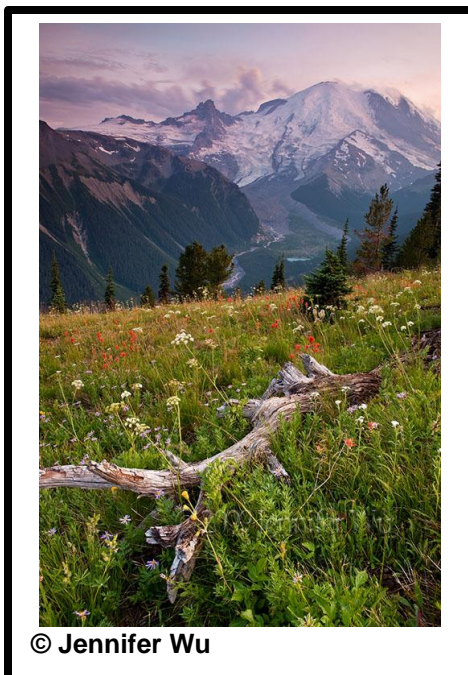
Here we go! It is time to get ready for another seminar. This time, world renowned photographer Jennifer Wu has graciously agreed to entertain and teach us. The rest is information she has provided...

Nature's Elusive Beauty – Composition for Nature and Landscape Photography

This inspiring and entertaining presentation is a must see for anyone interested in nature and landscape photography. Jennifer will teach you the elements of photographic composition and share her techniques to get those great shots. She will discuss five elements of composition. Learn about selecting specific lenses and how each lens makes visual impact. Discover how creating depth in an image creates visual interest and how isolating the subject will make a striking image. Jennifer will take you on a visual journey through the natural world and cover tips for nature photography. In addition she will share a some night sky time-lapse photography and will conclude images of the stars and beautiful night sky.

About the Photographer:

Jennifer Wu, a professional photographer since 1992, is a nature and landscape photographer as well as photographing the night sky and stars.



Jennifer was named by Canon USA to the elite group of photographers, The Explorers of Light. Canon states, "The Explorers Of Light program is a group of 62 of the world's best photographers, united in their love and passion for photographic excellence. They also share a common desire to contribute back to the industry with a willingness to share their vision and passion with others." Jennifer enjoys sharing her enthusiasm and passion for nature photography in lectures and workshops for Canon. She is especially proud that Canon publishes her spectacular sky photographs in their professional camera brochures.

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Canon Explorer's of Light Seminar: Jennifer Wu (Continued)

Her images, featured in numerous magazines and books, have won a wide variety of prestigious awards. Whenever she is not on nature expeditions at some of the most beautiful locations in the world, she exhibits her images at galleries and art shows.

Jennifer was born in Illinois in 1968, grew up in Davis, California. She moved to Sacramento to attend California State University, Sacramento where she received a BA in Photography. She currently lives in Sacramento.



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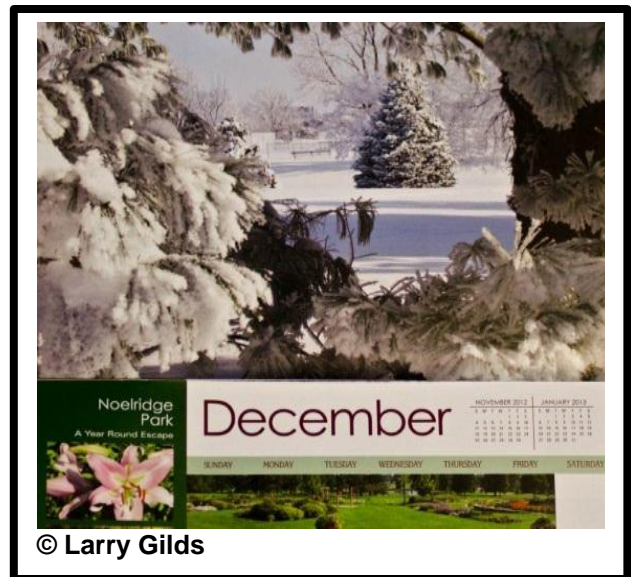
She taught photography and digital imaging at California State University Sacramento. She now enjoys lectures, seminars and speaking events as well as leading workshops for Canon and aFilm International Film Workshops Barcelona, Spain. She leads tours with James Martin to such locations as Namibia, Death Valley and Iceland. View her images at www.jenniferwu.com

Registration is now open. You can register for free at...
<http://linnareaphotoclub.org/>
(Don't forget about lunch options.)

More LAPC Member Accolades

We don't do this enough. Don't forget that when you win an award from an outside contest you can send your photos to the newsletter for publication here as well. You work hard for your photos, you do good work, you have earned notice and recognition. Not only that, but your winning work serves as a positive inspiration to others in the club.

Club member Larry Gilds was published in a calendar, and the calendar page with Larry's photo is shown to the right. Nice job. Looks so good you'd never guess it is in Cedar Rapids.



© Larry Gilds

Monthly Contest Rules

1. **Eligibility:**
 - a) Competitors must be members in good standing of Linn Area Photo Club (LAPC), and have paid their dues (at time of judging).
 - b) Must be present during contest to participate
2. **Entry format:**
 - a) Entries must be in print form only.
 - b) No restriction regarding print paper. Glossy, matte, metallic, canvas, etc., are all acceptable.
 - c) Entries may be either color or black & white.
 - d) Entries must be the original work of the competitor, and must have been taken within two (2) years .
 - e) Entries cannot have been a previous LAPC Monthly or Annual Contest winner.
 - f) Minimum size: 8"x10". Maximum size" 11"x14" (including matting, if applicable)
 - g) Entries may be mounted, but it is not a requirement.
 - h) Matting is optional.
 - i) Entries can NOT be framed or include any type of covering.
 - j) All entries must have the competitor's name, image title, and an arrow indicating the "up" orientation on the back in the lower right-hand corner. Information must be legible.
 - k) Entrant's name, photo title, date, and any other text cannot appear on the front of the photo.
 - l) No collages.
 - m) Any photo may be disqualified by the Contest Rules Committee if deemed inappropriate and/or not meeting any rule or requirement
 - n) Nude photos are not eligible.
3. **Entries, Prizes, & Judging:**
 - a) Each competitor may submit up to two (2) photos in each monthly contest.
 - b) Three (3) winning entries (1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place) will be selected.
 - c) Only the First Place winner will receive a prize.
 - d) Contest will be judged by a vote of LAPC members.

About the Linn Area Photo Club

The Linn Area Photo Club (LAPC) was established in November, 2003, in order to bring together individuals in the greater Linn County, Iowa, area who are interested in acquiring and developing an appreciation of the art and techniques of photography.

Dues are \$25 for new memberships and renewals. Monthly meetings are normally held at 1:30pm on the second Sunday of the month at Wickiup Hill Outdoor Learning Center in Toddville, Iowa. (See Calendar of Events for details).

Club membership is open to photographers of all skill levels. Members participate in a variety of educational programs, field trips, and photo shoots. There is an informal monthly theme contest and an annual club contest that drew over 90 entries in its first year.

Members range from beginners to professionals and use both digital and traditional photographic technology. LAPC is a great place to meet and learn from other photo enthusiasts.



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“Great photography is about depth of feeling, not depth of field..”

~ Peter Adams