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MARCH 10TH CLUB MEETING SPEAKERS: CARL BRACKEN & JIM BONSER



Two featured speakers, Carl Bracken and Jim Bonser, will be covering the general subjects at our March meeting. Both are members of the Cedar Amatuer Astronomers. We are quite delighted to learn more about astrophotography just prior to the upcoming Total Eclipse on Monday, April 8, 2024.

APRIL 14TH CLUB MEETING SPEAKER LISA BERGMANN-SMITHEY

COMPOSITION



Composition is the cornerstone of any art form. Knowing how to combine elements in an image - what to put in, what to leave out, learning the basic rules of composition and when to use them, when to break them, when to ignore them, and photographing with intention are integral pieces of the compositional process. In this presentation, we'll chat about the

Previsualization/Compositional process, and ways to make your images more dynamic.

Lisa Bergmann-Smithey is a commercial and fine art photographer originally from New York and Los Angeles, now based in Iowa. She studied at the Brooks Institute of Photography in Santa Barbara, California, with continuing studies at UC Santa Barbara, and UCLA. A dedicated teacher, mentor and lifelong learner herself, she believes in the power of continuing education. She has been a professional photographer and instructor for more than 30 years, and has taught all ages and levels of photography.

MAY 5TH CLUB MEETING SPEAKER KEVIN RAILSBACK

Notice: 1 week early due to Mother's Day

Kevin is an Emmy nominated filmmaker and photographer and has traveled as far as Africa to test HD cameras for Panasonic. His stunning nature and wildlife footage has appeared in productions on National Geographic, Animal Planet,

Discovery Channel as well as in commercials for such corporate giants as AT&T. The cool thing is Kevin lives in the CEDAR RAPIDS area and is a member of LAPC! Mark your calendar for May 5!

JANUARY/FEBRUARY PHOTO CONTEST



HAPPINESS Jan. 2024 1st: Gary Siegle "Grandkids"

2nd: Chris Kardos "Besties on the Beach"

3rd: Malinda Finley "Granddaughters Sledding



RULE OF ODDS Feb. 2024 1st: Malinda Finley "3 Vases"

2nd: Connie Wedemeier "Tranquil Trio Reflections"

3rd: Dean Traver "Chihuly Herons"

FRAME WORTHY

It's exciting to see digital images from our members show up in the LAPC communications email inbox. This new feature of our newsletter is a testament to the unique perspective and vision of our photo club community.

As image submissions increase we look forward to new developments on our website. We hope to honor our members, make an impression on our viewers and inspire a visit to our meetings.

LET OUR LIGHT SHINE!!!



"Grandkids"

©Gary Siegle
1st Place: Happiness



"Chihuly Herons"

©Dean Traver

3rd Place: Rule of Odds



"Tranquil Trio Reflections"

©Connie Wedemeier

2nd Place: Rule of Odds

WEBSITE: MEMBERS ONLY

A new item has been added: Monthly Contest Entry Form

No more having to search old emails to find the attachment to print Entry Forms. Just go to our website "Members Only" to find the printable entry form when you need it. Reminder the password is: lapcbuild

Here's a direct link: linnareaphotoclub.org/monthly-contest-entry-forms

Entry forms must accompany monthly photo contest entries. Two photos can be submitted. Both entries should be placed on the same entry form. Upon arriving on the meeting, submit photos and entry forms at the entrance desk. The contest committee will confirm receipt of the entry form and the back of all images are properly label in the lower right hand corner with Member Name, Photo Title and arrow pointing to the top of the image. The contest committee will place member images on the display tables.

PASSWORD

Looking forward: The current password is: lapcbuild PLEASE DO NOT SHARE. It is a privilege you receive with paid dues.

It is the same for all members.

Look for a new password to be emailed after March 31st. Current bylaws allow a dues renewal grace period until March 31. After that 2023 members that have not renewed will be removed from the active member roster.

2024 CONTEST THEMES

January - Happiness July - Worms Eye View

February - Rule of Odds August - Window, Doors, Gates

March - Weather (Rain/Sleet/Snow) September - Water

April - Furry Friends October - Black & White

May - Leading Lines (State Fair Theme) November - Transportation

June - Barns December - No Meeting