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by Michele Kipplen

The essence of photography, as described in the quote, encapsulates the perpetual pursuit of the perfect shot. It reflects the never-ending journey of a photographer who is always looking forward, driven by the anticipation of capturing the next great image. This perspective embodies a deep passion for the craft, valuing the possibilities of the future over past achievements. It's a mindset that keeps creativity alive and pushes the artist to continually evolve, always seeking the next moment to freeze in time. What inspires you to create your next photograph?

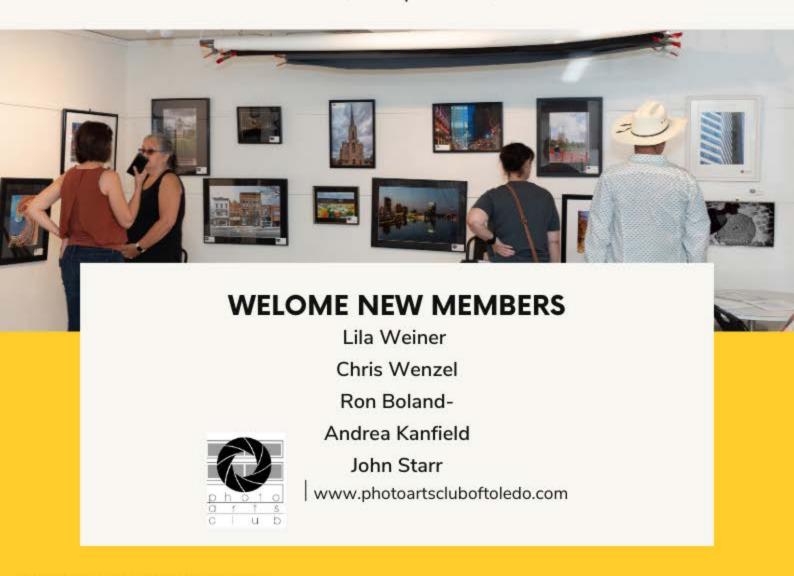


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Which of my photographs is my favorite? The one I'm going to take tomorrow.

-Imogen Cunningham-

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GALLERY REFRESH SCHEDULE

It is time to refresh our clubhouse gallery! We're excited to share a schedule of themes and dates for adding or exchanging works in the clubhouse. We encourage you to provide framed art, as the clubhouse is open to the public every second Saturday of the month from now through December. Here's the schedule: June through July, and August through September are open for any subject. In October, the theme is cemeteries. Please review the calendar of events on our website for dropoff and pick-up dates for your work. Let's work together to make our gallery vibrant and engaging!



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We encourage you to RSVP for our upcoming activities, photo walks, and interest groups! By confirming your attendance in advance, you help us ensure that we have everything prepared for an enjoyable and fulfilling experience. RSVP allows us to organize the events more efficiently, offering you the best possible environment to connect with fellow members and explore shared interests. It also helps us cater to specific needs and preferences, such as transportation requirements or other arrangements. Please take a moment to let us know if you'll be joining us so we can make these events memorable for everyone. Thank you for your cooperation!



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Be diligent & RSVP when needed.- Thank you



UPCOMING EVENTS

Photo WALKS

- May 4- Bird Walk 1-Meet at the Walmart at 3721
 Navarre Avenue at 6:45 AM. RSVP Required. See the web calendar for details.
- May 7- Bird Walk 2- Meet at the Walmart at 3721
 Navarre Ave at 6:45 AM. RSVP Required. See Web calendar for details.
- May 9- Woodlawn Cemetery Walk- 6 pm See the website for details. RSVP is Required!
- May 18- Schedel Gardens Walk- 7:45am- Meet at the front gate. \$ RSVP Required! See website events for more details.

*Please note the details of these walks are located on our web page under the events tab. RSVP is REQUIRED!

Officers
Michele Kipplen- President
Ross Ellet- Vice President
Cindy White- Secretary
Michele Ross- Treasurer
Wennie Anderson- Past President

Board Members Mary Mather Charlie Mather John Dillon Laurie Detrich

Committee Chairs see website



UPCOMING EVENTS

Interest Groups

- May 13- Elements Group- Meet in clubhouse- 7 pm.
- May 20- Lightroom group- 7pm via ZOOM.
- *No studio group this month due to May Sale.

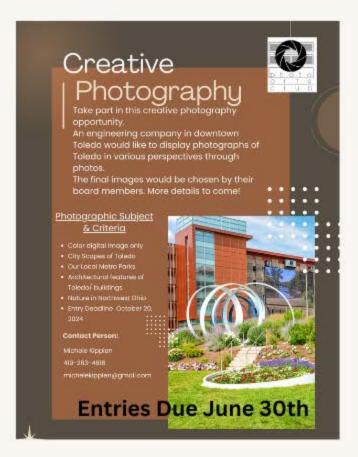
Volunteers Needed

Volunteers Wanted! Join us in making the Annual May Sale a success! We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers to assist in greeting guests as they visit the clubhouse on Friday, May 10th from 10 am to 8 pm and Saturday, May 11th from 10 am to 4 pm. There are a variety of shifts available, so please reach out to Wennie Anderson to schedule your preferred time slots. Your help in welcoming our visitors and ensuring a smooth event is greatly appreciated!

Contact Wennie: wennieanderson120@gmail.com









JUNE GUEST SPEAKER

June

June 13- Rick Francis, clubhouse,7pm- Underwater
 Photography

Under Water Photography

Rick Francis will make a presentation on underwater photography on June 13 at 7 PM. He'll describe the appeal of macro, portrait, and wideangle photography using snorkel or scuba gear, with sample photos from the Caribbean, Mexico, Indonesia, and the Philippines. Expect a casual introduction to the minimal and maximal equipment involved, some special techniques described with example shots, and plenty of chances to ask questions. Turtles and clownfish and sharks, oh my!





Rick started underwater photography with a film camera, a Nikonos III, in the 70s, but the expense of film and diving led to a long hiatus as he pursued grad school. Digital cameras and a steady job revived interest, and he has been fortunate to dive top spots in Mexico, the Red Sea, Indonesia, and elsewhere. Favorite destinations include the relaxed shore diving on the protected reefs of Bonaire in the Caribbean. There is no end of beauty in the sea, but the challenge to find ways to make it new through photos is also endless and the same is just as true of NW Ohio. He joined PACT a few months ago to meet kindred spirits in the area.