



Best of Show



People's Choice

Another Successful Show!!!

Another successful show in the books—what an incredible experience! A heartfelt thank you to the Annual Contest Committee for your dedication and hard work in making this event such a success once again.

We were thrilled to welcome so many visitors and celebrate the growing number of talented new photographer submissions. Each year, we are filled with pride and awe at the creativity, passion, and artistry on display. It's truly inspiring to witness the vibrant talent within our community. Here's to another year of unforgettable moments and amazing images!



Member's News

🎉 Congratulations to PACT Member Jim Hagen! 🎉

Jim joined the PSA (Photographic Society of America) almost 10 years ago. PSA sanctions various photo exhibitions throughout the world. If you enter photos in an approved exhibition and one of your photos is accepted for showing at their exhibition you receive an acceptance. And, if you have sufficient acceptances, you receive a distinction certificate awarded by the PSA.

After joining PSA he entered photos in numerous exhibitions in various classifications – color, mono, nature, travel, and photojournalism. And, since joining the PSA he has entered photos in almost 400 exhibitions and has received over 2,500 acceptances.

About a month ago, he received an MPSA 2 certificate. The requirement for this level of award is to have 2,250 acceptances in PSA approved exhibitions.🎉

Congratulations, Jim, on this achievement!



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 would like to encourage you to provide framed and/or matted images since the clubhouse is open to the public every second Saturday April 2025 through November 2025.

Please review the calendar of events on our website for drop-off and pick-up dates for your work. Let's work together to make our gallery vibrant and engaging!

Text Michele if you have any questions. NO EMAILS PLEASE!!!!

Saturday, April 12th 11am- 4 pm

(This will be the last day to drop off merchandise, framed art, and matted art before the Annual May Sale)

The suggested theme for Gallery Refresh is "Spring" works that are landscapes, flowers, wildlife, city scapes, and architecture that relate to SPRING.



Don't Miss Out on the Monthly Contest!
Calling all members! 🎉

The monthly digital contest is a fantastic opportunity to showcase your talent, gain valuable feedback, and enjoy the inspiring work of your fellow photographers. Whether you're submitting your latest masterpiece or coming to cheer on others, your participation makes these events interactive and fun. 📸 Check out the list below and get involved! Let's celebrate creativity and push the boundaries of what's possible with our photography. See you there! 🎨



April 2025	Reflections
May 2025	Pets
June 2025	Print: Architecture
July 2025	Crystal Ball Photography
August 2025	Doorway(s)
September 2025	Macro Photography
October 2025	Barns
November 2025	In a garden Flower, Vegetable, or combo
December 2025	Urban Decay
January 2026	Bokeh
February 2026	Black & White
March 2026	Print: Rule of Thirds
April 2026	Food Photography

Note: We encourage submitting members to attend the monthly contest. It's a great opportunity to answer questions and share insights—having the artist present always adds value!

Questions on how to submit click here:

<https://www.photoartscluboftoledo.com/Competitions/SubmitImageToCompetition.aspx#no-back-button>

Your Voice Matters!

The board is seeking your input—please click the link below to share your feedback. We're conducting this survey to address ongoing scheduling conflicts that affect our ability to meet at the clubhouse on Thursdays, especially during the summer months. Many members have also expressed interest in having more in-person activities. Your feedback will help guide our planning—thank you!



Survey

PACT Member Survey

[Sign in to Google](#) to save your progress. [Learn more](#)

* Indicates required question

Would you support moving our Thursday in person meetings to Wednesday *
going forward? This would include board meetings, education night and
monthly contest nights.

☐ Yes

☐ No

[Tap Here](#)

Updated Board Members

Officers

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

Board Members

Mary Mather
Charlie Mather
Jack Myers
Laurie Detrich

Committee Chairs see website

📷 Toledo Air Show 2025 – Education Night

✈️ Members Micah Maziar and Jeff Hormann will be hosting an Airshow Photography Presentation on April 10 during our Education Night, where they will share tips and techniques for capturing incredible aerial shots.

For more details about the airshow, visit www.toledoairshow.com. We will be meeting in the clubhouse! 🚀📷

RSVP is helpful Check the event calendar to RSVP.



STUDIO GROUP

The Studio Group is meeting on Wednesday, April 9th from 7-9 PM in the clubhouse. No prior experience is required!

We will continue to work on posing and one and two-light setups. Please check the calendar and register. (**RSVP is required.**)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the Dates!

- April 8th, IYP classes begin for 4 consecutive Tuesdays at 7 PM. Held at the Epilepsy Center in Maumee, Oh
- April 10th- Education Night will be on airshow photography. We will meet in the clubhouse at 7pm. **(RSVP REQUIRED)**
- April 30th- Betty Houston Award Reception- 6pm at the Clubhouse **(RSVP REQUIRED)**
- May 9th- Annual Night Market- TBG- 4pm- 8pm (Our clubhouse will be open)
- May 10th- Annual May Sale- TBG - 10am- 5pm- (Our clubhouse will be open)
- June 10th- we will have an outing to downtown Toledo to shoot the sunset looking up Adams street. The sun will be exactly aligned with the street. **(RSVP REQUIRED)**
- On September 12th we will have another sunset shoot from the railroad bridge in Grand Rapids. **(RSVP REQUIRED)**



We are in need of volunteers to greet guests on the following date this summer.

Fri. May 9th- Night Market- 3:30pm- 8:30pm- 2people
Sat. May 10th- May Sale- 10a- Noon, Noon-2p, 2p-5p.
Sat. June 14th- Open House- Noon-4pm
Sat. Aug. 9th - Open House- Noon- 4pm
Sat. Sept. 13th- Open House- Noon- 4pm
Email: wennieanderson120@gmail.com



Exclusive Artist Discount for Club Members! 🎨🖼️

Did you know that as a Photo Arts Club member, you receive an exclusive 10% discount on all American Frame products and services? Plus, with every purchase you make, a percentage of the sale is donated back to our club—helping to support our community of photographers and artists!

Here's how it works: Simply register your membership through the form on this page, and you'll instantly receive a 10% discount code to use on all orders, with no minimum purchase required. Even better, every purchase made by registered club members is tracked and totaled annually, qualifying our group for additional awards and benefits based on overall spending.

This discount is available to ALL club members, so feel free to share it and use it every time you shop! It's a great way to save on framing while also giving back to the club. Happy creating! ✨



Lake Erie Photo Contest Submissions due July 31st

The Ohio Lake Erie Commission is excited to announce the 33rd Annual Life on Lake Erie Photo Contest, an opportunity for Ohioans to capture and showcase the unique beauty, wildlife, communities, and vibrant life surrounding Lake Erie. Capture #lifeonlakeerie through your unique lens and submit your photographs for a chance to win Ohio-based prizes and local adventures!

The contest is made possible through the partnerships and support of local businesses and organizations, offering Ohio-based prizes and exciting local adventures that highlight the best of Lake Erie and its surrounding communities.

LET'S CELEBRATE!!





You're Invited: Betty Houston Award Presentation

We are excited to announce this year's Betty Houston Award—an honor named for our beloved Past President (2015–2016), Betty Houston, who exemplified the spirit of going above and beyond in service to our club.

Each year, we recognize a club member who embodies that same dedication and who has not previously received this award during their membership.

✨ Join us in celebrating this year's recipient!

 Wednesday, April 30th

 6:00 PM

 In the Clubhouse

Please RSVP on the Calendar Page of our website so we know how many to expect. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you!

