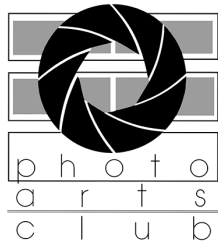


February 2022



The Viewpoint

Our Annual Contest is coming soon. Please consider supporting our club in this effort. Contact Wennie at wennieanderson120@gmail.com

We recognize that the current uptick in COVID cases raises concerns about gathering with folks outside of our immediate circle of family and friends but be assured the planning committee is working to ensure that proper COVID protocols are in place, including masking and distancing.

For the four Saturdays (2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12) where the clubhouse will be open from Noon to 4pm to receive entries, we will set up a drop off table where we can maintain proper distancing. Signs will be displayed encouraging masking and distancing. We will have extra masks available along with hand sanitizer.

For processing (3/19) and judging (3/22) we will enforce masking. Both events will be conducted in the gallery area of the Secor Center (not in the Secor Room) which will provide a larger area which should facilitate greater distancing. We will have extra masks available along with hand sanitizer. No food will be provided.

The reception on 3/25 will be virtual via ZOOM. All photographers having submitted entries will be invited along with club members.

For the hosting weekends (Sat/Sun Noon to 4pm) at the Secor Center, signs will be displayed encouraging masking and distancing. Extra masks and hand sanitizer will be available. We are considering having a Plexiglass barrier at the desk to limit exposure. We will also be posting the contest results on a panel for "no touch" viewing and to minimize interactions.

Weekend Hosting from Noon-4pm needed for the following dates: 3/26, 3/27, 4/2, 4/3, 4/9, 4/23, 4/24, 4/30, 5/1, 5/7, 5/8, 5/14

Takedown on Sun 5/15 Noon to 4 pm.

Charlie Mather, Co-Chair, 2022 Annual Contest Planning Committee (matherc@yahoo.com)

1st Place Basic Assignment



1st Place Intermediate Assignment



1st Place Advanced Assignment



Upcoming Education Nights on Zoom:

February 10 at 7pm. Toledo photographer Rebecca Trumbull will be speaking via zoom and talking about pet photography.

March 10 at 7pm via zoom, Toledo Photographer Doug (Doggie) Hinebaugh will share his knowledge of street photography in the Glass City.

Zoom information is available on the club's website on the Event Calendar.

<https://www.photoartscluboftoledo.com/club/clubschedules.aspx>

Rebecca Trumbull



Rebecca Trumbull is a Toledo born and raised photographer. She studied video production in college in New York and transitioned into still photography after being inspired by one of her senior classes. Rebecca opened her business officially six years ago. Rebecca has always enjoyed animals, specifically dogs, so she said yes when approached by a local rescue to photograph foster dogs as a volunteer. Her experiences with rescue dogs prompted her to focus on pets in her business. She has a passion for dog psychology and training which has provided knowledge helpful to her work. Rebecca strives to educate others about safe animal interactions and finds joy documenting these furry loved ones.

Michele Kipplen

Please Mark your calendars:

2022 Annual EVENTS at the Gardens

May Sale- May 6, 7, 8. (Mother's Day weekend) Some orgs don't do Sunday. Traditionally the Potters' sale and Garden Club plant sale, with others open as desired.

Art in the Garden- Aug. 13. Celebration of arts: demos, music, fun

Heralding the Holidays- Dec. 2, 3, 4- our annual end of the year sales weekend.

FYI Crosby Arts Fest is June 24-26 this year.

Michele Kipplen

2022 Annual Contest – Important Dates

First Day for Photo Entry	Wednesday, February 16, 2022
Last Day for Photo Entry	Wednesday, March 16, 2022
Processing Day	Saturday, March 19, 2022, 10am – Noon
Judging Night	Tuesday, March 22, 2022, 6pm until done
Hanging	Wednesday or Thursday, March 23-24, 2022, Time TBD
Opening Reception	Friday, March 25, 2022, 6pm
Exhibit:	Saturday and Sunday from March 26 thru April 14, 2022, Noon – 4pm <i>Except Palm Sunday and Easter Weekend.</i>

Link to Annual Contest webpage: <https://bit.ly/3E3G3Ac>



How To Photograph Pets

The following are gathered from various readings. Here are some **tips** for getting the best pet photographs.

The first consideration is to think about the pet's personality. A calm more sedate pet will be able to pose for you while a very active animal will be more photogenic if caught in action shots. In other words, pay attention to the context. The pet should be comfortable and at ease. Include people in your shots. Be playful. Try and catch them unaware. Don't hesitate to use props, toys and treats.

Backgrounds are also important. They should not detract from the subject of the photo but experiment with the use of color. A longer focal length can help, blurring the background.

Lighting is important. Don't use flash unless you have a very dark pet. Flash can frighten and distract an animal. For white or light animals avoid direct sunshine and flash which can overexpose your shot.

Get in close and try different angles. Try a wide angle lens. Getting down on the level of the animal is a good approach. Frame in different ways, cropping on some, 3/4 body shots as well as full body shots.

For active animals, consider freezing action. Use a fast shutter speed. Full manual works well as does shutter priority. Continuous mode will allow you to get a range of shots with some of them being great.

Mary Mather



Ben Anderson submitted an article: **How To Create Heartwarming Pet Portraits**. It is located on the Website.
<https://www.photoartscluboftoledo.com//Downloads/90f39da2-54d7-4551-97f0-4dff9e251ebb?o=y>

Monthly competitions

For the January competition there were 31 entries from 10 members, and there were 13 members that did judging. Of the 13 member who judged, 5 of them had not entered photos into the contest. Any competing member can judge a contest, you don't have to enter to judge the contest.

The February competition is open now.
The assignment is **Black and White**.

Competition assignments

March – **Altered Reality**: the use of a software in which a photo is altered to the point that it no longer reflects reality. The altered photo and any added components must be the original work of the entrant.

April – **Street Photography** – A genre of photography that records everyday life in a public place. The very publicness of the setting enables the photographer to take candid pictures of stranger, often without their knowledge. A street photograph is a real, unposed moment.

May – Smoky, Misty or Foggy.

Membership Updates

Renewals:

Jeff Walles

Nancy Walles

Kathy Petersen

Linn Petersen

Jim Bosinger

Jerry Lohman

Donna Gottschalk

New Members:

Leah Williams

January Contest Results

Competition Title	Level	Awards	Image Title	Author's Name
January Assignment, Lake Erie, morning, noon, or night shot in which the lake is in or is part of the picture.	Basic	1st	Old Glory Basking In The Golden Hour	Margie Langenderfer
		2nd	Ice Ice Baby	Margie Langenderfer
		3rd	Gloomy	Sarah Werder
	Intermediate	1st	Marblehead	Nancy Walles
		2nd	Sunrise on Lake Erie	Wennie Anderson
		3rd	Strolling Erie at Sterling	Wennie Anderson
		HM	Lake Erie off Marblehead	Mary Mather
			The Gathering Place	Wennie Anderson
	Advanced	1st	Fairport Harbor West Breakwater Lighthouse copy	Ben Anderson
		2nd	Sail Away	Jeff Walles
		2nd	Racing the Storm	Jeff Walles
		3rd	HeadWatersStatePark,OH copy	Ben Anderson
		HM	Lake Erie Bluffs	Charlie Mather
			Marblehead Ripples	Charlie Mather
			Icy Solitude	Leah Williams
			Lake Erie Shore	Charlie Mather
			Guidepost	Leah Williams
			Ghost Ship	Leah Williams
January Open	Basic	1st	There's A Storm In Yellowstone	Margie Langenderfer
		2nd	Watch out for the corn!	Sarah Werder
		3rd	Whatever you do, Don't Let Go!!!	Sarah Werder
		HM	Chicago Sunrise	Doug Johnson
			Cemetary Angel	Doug Johnson
			Cathedral Shadows	Doug Johnson
	Intermediate	1st	Back Porch Buddy	Nancy Walles
	Advanced	1st	Glossy Ibis	Donna Gottschalk
		2nd	Cross Jelly	Jack Myers
		3rd	Killdeer	Donna Gottschalk
		HM	Clear as Glass	Jack Myers
			Lion King	Ben Anderson
			Beautiful West	Jack Myers




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For more information about the happenings or Zoom links
to the meetings please check out the website.

[https://www.photoartscluboftoledo.com/club/
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