January 2023



Message from Club President

Greetings Members, HAPPY NEW YEAR!

2022 has been a year of change for our club, here are just a few highlights:

- We started accepting digital online payment for membership renewals, classes, Annual Contest and donations.

- We have maintained our membership of 50.

- We have increased our attendance in IYP Class to 6 students.

- The website has been routinely updated with events, articles and more.

- We've increased our social media presence on Facebook.

- Had our very first Raffle during Heralding the Holidays. It was very successful; we generated \$780.00. Which went into maintaining our club.

- Refreshed the paint in the bathroom.

- Had our back door fixed and a new step put in. (Thank you Metroparks)

- Had a large tree blocking the back door removed (Thank you Metroparks)

First place Assignment

Basic



First Place Assignment intermediate



First Place Advanced Assignment



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- Resumed our Annual Contest after a long vacation due to the pandemic.

- Supporters & contributions for the Annual Contest to assist with donations for awards.

Our BIGGEST goals for 2023 are as follows:

- To have wifi in our clubhouse in order to accept credit & debit cards when works of art are purchased. Being able to accept electronic payments will benefit our members' sales and also the clubs revenue source.

- Also wifi would benefit the club to have internet access for presentations that are web based.

- To continue to GROW our membership.

Thank you members and the board for helping to make 2022 such a successful year! Our future of the club is looking much brighter for 2023. I am confident we will achieve our future goals and more.

Sincerely, Michele Kipplen - Club President

Michele Kipplen will be our **Educational** speaker on Thursday, January 12, 2023 at 7pm via Zoom.

She will be sharing her experience as a real estate photographer, the challenges and the images she has created.

Michele presented this in person earlier in the year. It was well attended and suggested she present this via Zoom. The link will be provided by going to the Photo Arts Club website calendar.



Shooting in Cold Weather

From Anthony Morganti, we have a link to a video on Cold Weather Photography –Tips to Keep You Warm and Keep Your Gear Working. This was sent in by **Jerry Lohman. Thanks Jerry**

https://fstoppers.com/education/helpful-tips-cold-weather-photography-440253

Ben Anderson sent in two articles from Photzy: <u>Discovering the Magical</u> <u>World of Photographing Snowflakes.</u>

https://www.photoartscluboftoledo.com/Downloads/94f60222-d12b-426b -a9d3-94296b02cbfe?o=y

And Capturing Great Photos in the Snow

https://www.photoartscluboftoledo.com/Downloads/6fd3d73c-08d2-4807-9017-aa908c4d675d?o=y

These are both located on our website and can be reached by following the links above.

Hints on shooting in cold weather

The following hints are gathered from many different places. Most cameras are rated for around 32 degrees F. According to some sources, the NikonZ9 can safely shoot pictures down to 14 F. But with special care you can photograph in colder weather. Batteries tend to drain in colder weather so bring a couple extra and keep them inside your coat in an inner pocket. Change lenses inside, only do it outside if you absolutely must. Use your lens hood to keep raindrops or snowflakes from falling directly onto the exposed front lens element.

Consider buying a commercially available rain cover. A makeshift one can be built using a large zip-top bag. Use a rubber band to seal it around the lens. Keep a small towel in your camera bag. <u>https://www.nikonusa.com/</u> <u>en/learn-and-explore/a/tips-and-techniques/tips-for-shooting-in-cold-</u> <u>weather.html</u>

Camera Settings for Photographing in the Snow

To make sure the snow in your photographs looks white, try these settings:

•If your camera features a Snow or Snow/Beach Scene Mode, use it. It's designed to expose snow correctly.

•If it's sunny out, set the White Balance to Sunlight; if it's overcast out, set the White Balance to Cloudy so there isn't a color cast to your images.

•If the camera doesn't have a Snow Scene Mode, set it to Matrix Metering. Usually this metering mode will choose the correct exposure for Snow.

•Snow should look like beautiful white snow. Today's camera meters are designed to be smart enough to know you're photographing snow, want it to look white and will adjust the exposure accordingly. If however, you feel you still need to adjust the exposure, after looking at the image on the LCD, you can use Exposure Compensation. If the snow doesn't look white, use the exposure compensation to overexpose the scene. Try +.3 (1/3 of an f/stop) first. If that doesn't do the trick, try a setting of +7 (2/3 of an f/stop), and if that's still not enough, you can try a setting of +1 (one full f/stop).

•On overcast days you may have a blue cast to the snow. To fix this, adjust the white balance to cloudy so it records the color correctly. As a creative side-note, you may want to keep the blue cast, as blue tones denote cold or cold weather.

•If you're comfortable doing so, shoot RAW. You will be able to make adjustments to exposure and white balance without degrading the image file.

. <u>https://www.nikonusa.com/en/learn-and-explore/a/tips-and-techniques/tips-for-shooting-in-cold-weather.html</u>

Keeping Warm While Out Photographing

Wear layers so you can adjust to weather changes. It is most important to keep your feet and hands warm. Two layers of gloves can work well allowing you to operate the camera with a lighter weight glove covered with a warmer glove or mitten for hiking. Fingerless gloves can be your first layer. Consider carrying hand warmers

2023 Garden Events – Items in Bold We Participate In

May

Friday May 5, 2023- May Sale Saturday May 6, 2023 - May Sale Sunday May 7, 2023 - May Sale

June

*Artists clubhouses are closed during Jazz in the Garden events.

Thursday June 1, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden Thursday June 8, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden Sunday June 11, 2023 1:00 - 4:00 Hosta Festival Thursday June 15, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden **Saturday June 17, 2023 1:30 - 6:00 Rose Show Sunday June 18, 2023 10:00 - 4:00 Rose Show** * Crosby Arts Fest is yet to be confirmed. Friday June 23? tbd Crosby Arts Festival Friday June 24? tbd Crosby Arts Festival Friday June 25? tbd Crosby Arts Festival Thursday **June** 29, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden

July

Thursday July 13, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden Thursday July 20, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden Thursday July 27, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden

August

Thursday August 3, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden Thursday August 10, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden **Saturday August 12, 2023 11:00-4:00 Art In The Garden** Thursday August 17, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden Thursday August 24, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden Thursday August 31, 2023 1:00 Jazz In The Garden

December

Friday December 1, 2023 4:00-8:00 Heralding The Holidays Saturday December 2, 2023 10:00-5:00 Heralding The Holidays Sunday December 3, 2023 11:00-4:00 Heralding The Holidays The **Studio Group** will meet on Saturday Jan 14th at 10am to 12. We will meet in the clubhouse and do a short reprise of last month's project, and then work on something new. Everyone is welcome to attend, and you don't need to know anything about studio work. That is why we get together, to learn.

Please let John Dillon know if you plan on attending. jdillon356@aol.com

Lightroom Group will be meeting at 7:30 on Monday, January 16th via Zoom. Check the Events Calendar for the zoom link. This month we will be exploring workflow options, especially when travelling.

Charlie Mather matherc@yahoo.com

The Annual Contest Meeting

The Annual Contest Meeting is January 10th at 7:00 via Zoom. Check website for link. <u>https://www.photoartscluboftoledo.com/</u> <u>clubschedules.aspx</u> All members welcome. Come join us.



35th Annual Photo Contest

This year marks the 35th year of the photo contest. We'll be accepting entries starting on February 13th though March 15th. The contest is open to amateur photographers who earn less than 51% of their income from photography. Details are on the website: <u>https://www.photoartscluboftoledo.com/</u> <u>d/5c6e641e-9378-45c0-ac06-d11b74d59234</u>

We will be needing member volunteers for our clubhouse drop-off Saturdays, processing Saturday, judging night, exhibit hanging, reception and exhibit hosting. Please send me an email when you can help out!!

Important Dates: (need volunteers for all **bolded** dates)

First day for accepting entries (all locations)	2/13
Drop Off Saturdays at the Clubhouse Noon to 4pm 2/25, 3/4, 3/11	2/18,
Last day for accepting entries (all locations)	3/15
Processing Saturday: 10am to 2pm Secor Center	3/18
Judging Night 6pm to 9pm Secor Center	3/21
Hanging Exhibit time TBD	3/22
Opening Reception 6pm to 9pm Secor Center	3/24
Exhibit Weekends Noon-4pm	3/25, 3.26
Closed Palm Sunday and Easter Weekend	4/1
•••	4/15, 4/16
•••	4/22, 4/23
•••	4/29.4/30
•••	5/6
Exhibit Take Down Noon-4pm	5/7

Charlie Mather

Chair, 2023 Annual Contest Committee

mailto:matherc@yahoo.com

Contests and New Members

The December contest had 20 entries from 8 members. The assignment was Column (s). There were 15 entries in the assignment. The January contest has started. The assignment is Wild Animals.

Competition assignments

February- Black and White

March - Mechanical item or parts of

April - Beams of light, Natural or man-made

May – Shot of glass in any form or function

Membership

There are 52 members, 29 are eligible to compete. If you would like to complete, please email me jrmyers@roadrunner.com.

New Members:

Bonnie Nowak

Renewals:

Kathy Petersen

Lynn Petersen

Jim Bosinger

Michael Simpson

Competition Title	Level	Image Title	Author's Name	Awards
December Assignment, Columns	Basic	Ionic & Airplane	Doug Johnson	3rd
		Stegasaurus	Doug Johnson	2nd
		Aracade	Doug Johnson	1st
	Intermediate	Columns Everybody Knows	Jamie Van Natta	Honorable Mention
		2-Western Reserve Academy	Wennie Anderson	3rd
		3-Resting Between Takes	Wennie Anderson	3rd
		My Favorite Columns (of a sort)	Jamie Van Natta	3rd
		1-Modeling	Wennie Anderson	2nd
		Columns We All Know	Jamie Van Natta	1st
	Advanced	Huntington Bank	Charlie Mather	Honorable Mention
		State Capital	Ben Anderson	3rd
		Red White and Blues-	Ben Anderson	2nd
		the Parthenon - Nashville	Ben Anderson	1st
December Open	Intermediate -	Floating Pink	Mary Mather	2nd
		Morning Dew	Mary Mather	1st
	Advanced	Help!	Charlie Mather	3rd
		Faithful Servants	Chris Boesel	2nd
		Railroad Reflection	Charlie Mather	1st



Open Intermediate 1st Place



Open Advanced 1st Place

Board Members

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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/