

DCC Focus

November, 2015

Decatur Camera Club 2nd and 4th Thursdays 7-9pm **Sept - May**

Rock Springs Environmental Center (Sept-Dec; Mar-May) Westminster Church (Jan & Feb)

http://thedecaturcameraclub.org/ is Back!

Meeting Schedule:

November & December: ONE meeting each month, 11/12 & 12/10; Jan & Feb meetings held at Westminster Church

What's Coming Up?

<u>CICCA Spring Salon</u> – May 2016 hosted by Decatur Camera Club - >> YIKES !! << Save the date and clear your calendar!! Sounds like FUN!

Tentative DCC Schedule for 2015-2016:

Nov 12th – DCC Fall Salon

Nov 26th – No Meeting – Happy Thanksgiving

Dec 10th – Neutral Density Filters and how to use them

Dec 24th – No Meeting – Merry Christmas

Jan 14th – Hands on Night with some new techniques

Jan 28th – Macro & Close Up Instruction w/Jerry

Feb 11th – Macro & Close Up – Hands On w/Curt

Feb 25th – Exposure Compensation, Shooting Modes

and When to Use Them w/Jim Spaniol

Mar 10th – Photo Stories – take 3 pictures that tell a story.6 members will participate. Contact Curt to sign up.

Mar 24th – Before & After – up to 8 members – see Curt

Apr 14th – DCC Spring Salon

Apr 28th – Not Scheduled at this time

May 12th – Not Scheduled at this time

May 26th – Not Scheduled at this time

This is the Tentative Schedule – Expect some changes along the way. Watch the FOCUS for updates and changes each month.

Wondering why this spot is empty? It's because no one sent me info

to fill it up with. Send info to SuziMorrow@comcast.net by the 15th!!

From Curt:

Our guest speaker Stephanie liked speaking to the club and from the feedback I think everyone enjoyed he presentation.

Our new website is up but we are still working out a few bugs and on getting the old site off the search sites.

http://thedecaturcameraclub.org/

From Terry: Club Fall Salon on Thu 11/12....

Bring your prints to the meeting. If you want to enter a print that was in the CICCA Fall Salon Eldon will be returning them the night of our Nov meeting.

October Gallery Events

<u>Gallery 510</u> -- First Friday Nov 6th Oil paintings by Barbara Dove 5:30-7:30pm. Paintings will be on display all month.

<u>Airport Gallery</u> features paintings by Judy Kimmons
<u>Library</u> features watercolor & oil paintings of Shirley

<u>Buescher</u>

Gallery 510 will host their fund raiser, ARTini, from 6-10pm Nov. 12th at Paco's Sol Bistro (237 N Main). Each guest will get a hand painted martini glass they get to keep. 422-5109 to reserve your spot

Decatur Camera Club

President -- Curt Knapp knapp ct@comcast.net
Treasurer & Membership -- Sally McGuire

Vice President -- Jerry Sievers

Secretary -- Suzi Morrow <u>suzimorrow@comcast.net</u>
Board Chair - Virginia Kickle

FOCUS Articles

If you have information of interest to the Decatur Camera Club, please email me **SuziMorrow@comcast.net**

by the 15th of the month for the next month's issue. Thank You!

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WORKSHOPS

Mike Moats / Tiny Landscapes April 9th & 10th, Hilton Garden Inn 16631 Chesterfield Grove Rd Chesterfield, MO 63005.

Mike Moats was one of the keynote speakers at the SWMCCC conference in Holland, Mi this year. The workshop is \$159. The hotel has a special rate of \$95 for the Fri and Sat nights. (register under "Mike Moats Macro Workshop" group code "MNB"; 866-812-3961)

April $9^{th} - 10$ am to 4pm April $10^{th} - 9$ am to 12pm

Mike: "Saturday we will have short breaks and a one hour break for lunch. Sunday, short breaks but no lunch. There are restaurants in the area or you can bring something to eat. We will cover a lot of information so bring a pen and paper to take notes or you are welcome to bring a tape recorder."

Camera, macro lens, tripod. Bring what you have! Call Mike to register or w/?s: 586-770-3992

Member's Only Facebook Page "Decatur Camera Club Members"

This is a closed group.

Contact Lee Kalka to join.

(must be a DCC member)

Not a Member?

Visit "Decatur Camera Club" on Facebook.



I just wanted to thank you all for inviting me to speak to the Camera Club last night!

I had a ton of fun putting my presentation together and speaking with you. You all made me feel at ease and asked fantastic questions. And thank you for allowing me to share a little bit of myself and my new creative work too. This is an awesome group of people and I'm thrilled I got to spend last night getting to know you all a little bit!

~ Stephanie Gagnon

Fellow Photographers,

As you know, your Decatur Camera Club will host the CICCA 2016 Spring Salon on

Saturday, May 7th at Rock Springs.

We have started a committee to organize this event. I'll be leading it and the volunteers so far are:

Kickle, Virginia

Knapp, Curt

McGuire, Sally

Morrow, Suzi

Stoa, Terry (chair)

Van Natta, Sally

My requests from you:

Please put this date on your calendars.

Even if you're unable to help with planning the event, we'd like to have good participation and attendance.

Please consider serving on the planning committee.

The duties are yet to be defined, but there will be nothing particularly difficult.

Send me a quick e-mail if you're willing to help... even though you're not certain what that entails.

terry.stoa@gmail.com

The deadline
for Richland's
Seeing Eye Photography Contest
is coming up on November 13. Several DCC members
have won prizes in this contest in past years.
4 categories.

www.Richland.edu for rules and entry form.



For the Facebook Challenged: Here are some of the posts from October!



As the old Credence Clearwater Revival song says "Doo doo doo lookin' out my back door".

From Thursday at around 5:30p or so. This looks east, so as the sun drops the lake is no longer in the sunlight but the trees are. That's what creates such nice reflections.

And last night, the water surface was unusually calm...

Processed in Lightroom - and quite a few floating leaves were removed from the foreground.

~Terry Stoa



Friday morning sunrise over the dredging sediment basin near Oakley.

~Dave Castor



Photo by Virginia Kickle



Anybody want to split the cost of clear bumpers for picture hanging? Tired of paying too much at retail brick and mortar stores. Thinking of buying 1000 on line. They come out to about \$0.04 each. ~Jim Spaniol



Exploring yesterday. Looking for fall color in the country but a bright day on the prairie. This is the Bethel School at Friends Creek Conservation Area. Heavy adjustments in Lightroom. ~Jim Spaniol

The presentation at MOPS went well today. Bill Hoffman and myself had around 22 attend, I was wishing for more but 22 is still a good number to talk to. I received this email from the group" I just wanted to say thank you Curt. We had great feedback about our meeting today, and I really appreciate you and Bill taking the time out of your day to talk to our group."

I expect to see a few of these ladies attend our club meetings in the future. ~Curt Knapp

Some clever images.... http://digitalsynopsis.com/.../reflections-ofthe-past-tom-h.../ ~Terry Stoa

Bv

Curt



Great photo workshop!!! Wallops Island, Virginia. Lots of rain and wind gusts today. Hope to be out before hurricane selfie sticks are great! — with Virginia Kickle. ~Sally McGuire



Beautiful way to start my birthday. ~Dave Castor



Experimented yesterday with Sally Zwergel McGuire ambient light technique. Here is one, but not necessarily my most favorite. Saving the favorite for another time. Thanks for sharing your techniques, Sally!

~Dianne Spaniol

A friend of mine sent me a link to Ted Gore's site - he's recently been named the USA Landscape Photographer of the Year for 2015.

Check out his galleries - very nice locations and lots of long-exposure shots with water (or clouds). I'm inspired.

http://www.tedgorecreative.com/

~Terry Stoa

Ok here it is about a 10 image pano, done in LR - no tripod, from a drone at the top, I would say Lightroom does a pretty good at panos.

~George Strohl



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