Club Newsletter Austin, Texas September 2017

September 9 - Scavenger Hunt Details to be announced at the September meeting.

Fort Worth

Saturday October 7th - Botanical and Japanese Gardens

3220 Botanic Garden BLVD Fort Worth, TX 76107 Garden Center 8:00 am - 7:00 pm Free Admission tri-pods allowed

Japanese Garden 9:00 am - 7:00 pm Only mono pods allowed

Admission: Adult - \$7.00 Seniors (age 65+) - \$5.00

Parking is free throughout the Garden.

La Quinta 7310 Calmont Ave.

October 6th-8th

Call the Group Desk 1-800-642-4239 by September 22nd to get the \$99 + tax per night for a double room Confirmation code for Shutterbug Photography

Club 6697 GRTYLP 75. Dinner Friday Night - details to be announced

Breakfast on your own both days Lunch on Saturday - details to be announced

Dinner Saturday Night - details to be announced

Sunday October 8th, 2017 - Zoo

1989 Colonial Parkway · Fort Worth, Texas 76110

Option 1 9:00 Entry:

Guide for an hour

9:30 Release of Gorilla

9:50 Release of Lions

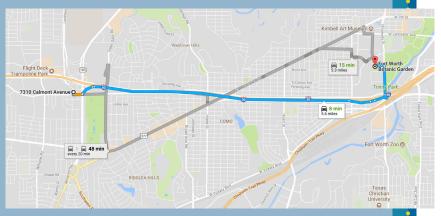
10:00 Zoo opens and admission for the zoo day

\$25 a person for Option 1 plus entry fee

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily

Adults \$14 Seniors (65+) \$10

Parking (per vehicle) \$5



September Evaluation and Review - Assignment: Hands



Thursday, September 7, 2017 6:30 pm

Northwest Recreation Center 2913 Northland Dr. Austin, TX 78757 Visitors Always Welcome!

From Those who braved the heat to attend Icons of Austin Field Trip August 5th! Thanks Stennis for another great photography outing.



Lois Schubert









Bob Kerr

Bob Kerr





Ryan Dishaw

Ryan Dishaw







Kathy McCall



Kathy McCall







Rose Epps







Stennis Shotts



David Pinckney

september classes

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In the beginning - The Basics First Class Rescheduled date to be announced 10:30 AM until 12:30 PM

at the Austin Yarborough Public Library Branch, 2200 Hancock Dr., Austin, TX, 78756

This is **the first of two classes** conducted by **Stennis Shotts** our Vice President and Head of Programs. Please arrive at 10:15 since we will start promptly at 10:30. No equipment required.

This first class will include:

- How to save and store images
- Preparation for taking a photo
- The Rule of Thirds.

The second class (date and location TBA) will stress:

• How to manage light i.e., ISO, Aperture and Shutter Speed.

Naturescapes 2017 Exhibit

at the Walkers' Gallery at the San Marcos Activity Center (501 E Hopkins Street).



photo by Rose Epps

Several Austin Shutterbug Club members' images have been accepted for the Naturescapes 2017 Exhibit. The reception will be held Saturday, September 9, from 5:00-7:00 pm, with winners announced at the reception. The images will be on display through October 20. Along with this show, several ASC members who belong to the Hill Country Photography Club will be showing images in the club's "Windows, Doors and Mirrors" exhibit also at the Walkers' Gallery.

save the pates!

Upcoming Field Trips & Programs for 2017

(Field Trips for paid ASC Members Only!)

- September 7 Meeting Evaluation Assignment: Hand/Hands
- September 9 Scavenger Hunt
- October 5 Meeting Scavenger Hunt Review
- October 7 Fort Worth Botanical Gardens & Dallas Zoo
- November 2 Meeting Evaluation Assignment: Stripes
- November 4 San Antonio
- December 5 Christmas Awards Banquet (NOTE: Dec. 5th is a Tuesday--Thursday the 7th was not available.)

2017 Assignments

September - Hands One or multiple: May be hands at rest, at play, at work or celebrating. Just make sure the subject is hand/ hands. Monochrome or color.

November - Stripes: We see stripes everywhere, in nature, architecture, fabrics, signs, shadows etc. Just make sure that stripes are the strongest element and focus of your image. Monochrome or color.

Jeff Parker has several upcoming workshops
Visit http://jeffparkerimages.com/joinme/
for more information.

ASC members get a \$10.00 discount!

FOR SALE

Spyder 4 Pro - lightly used Advanced Monitor Calibration \$50.00

Kathy McCall - kwmccall@gmail.com can bring it to the September meeting if anyone is interested.

2018 Assignments

January - Arches: May be man made or arches in nature. Color or monochrome.

March - Landscape Panorama Color or Monochrome

May - Patterns in Nature: color or monochrome

July - Yellow: Color only. Focus and principle subject of the image must be something yellow.

September - You are challenged to create an image of a person or persons that tells the viewer something distinctive about them without including the face. Okay to show the head, just not the face. It could show their age, profession, hobby, economic status, etc. Monochrome or color.

FOR SALE

Canon 400mm F5.6 Lens- \$800 With Camo lens coat, Tripod ring, Zipper case, and both lens caps Bill Johnson 512-781-4689 wbjhnsn@gmail.com (Put Shutterbug Club in the subject line)

AUSTIN SHUTTERBUG CLUB

Minutes of the August 3, 2017 Meeting

The August 3, 2017, meeting of the Austin Shutterbug Club was convened by President Brian Loflin at 7:00 p.m. at the Northwest Recreation Center.

President Loflin welcomed visitors Trevor Bowmer, Dianne Casey, Dwight Casey, David Saidel and Kimberly Smith. He thanked John Davis and Linda Sheppard for providing the refreshments.

Brian asked new members to talk with him if the club doe not meet their expectations and to address any programs, activities, etc. they would like to see or eliminate.

VP Stennis Shotts talked about Shutterbug activities.

He made us aware of new TSA restrictions for cameras at airports. A camera will be taken out of its bag and each camera put into a separate tray; this procedure could apply to lenses as well. Individuals may apply for pre-check status to get around this and that also allows global entry. The pre-check costs \$85 for five years.

August 5 field trip is "Icons of Austin."

August 19 - Brian will conduct a Lighting workshop.

Stennis' workshop, "In the beginning..." is coming up October 7-8 - trip to Fort Worth to photograph the Zoo and Japanese

Gardens

September 9 - Scavenger Hunt

Stennis presented Tentative Field Trips for 2018:

February 2-5 - Port Aransas

March 24 - Wildflowers in the Hill Country followed by lunch at Kim

and Stennis Shotts'

April 6-9 - High Island trip

May 5-10 - New Orleans

June, July, and August (hot months!) - inside workshops

September - Scavenger Hunt

October - South Texas Birding

November - TBD

Programs for 2018:

February - Kelly Ahr, ASC member

April, June, August - TBD

October - Scavenger Hunt Review

Other programs and outings being considered: Painted Churches, Caddo Lake, Greg Lasley - nature, damselflies and dragonflies.

Stennis introduced tonight's speaker, Alex Wild, Curator of Entomology at UT Austin. Alex talked about Light for insect photography. He presented his images and discussed the use of both ambient and flash for photographing insects. The presentation and question time afterwards was informative and very well received.

Reminders:

Place change of address, phone, etc. information in the treasurer's envelope.

Monthly assignments can be found on the ASC website.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Nancy Naylor, Secretary

Call for Entries

A Smith Gallery, Johnson City, TX Call for Entries: "vistas"

Main Gallery
Juror | Dan Burkholder
Entries Due | September 18, 2017
Exhibition dates | October 3 to December 16, 2017
Reception | November 25, 2017 from 4 to 8pm
for more info: amanda@asmithgallery.com

The Frame Corner will give Austin Shutterbug Club Members a **20**% **discount** on moldings which is a great deal!

The Frame Corner

7112-A Burnet Road • Austin, TX 78757 512.453.7788 Open: Tues – Sat. 10am – 5pm

Club Leadership for 2017

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2017 Photography Workshops



With Brian Loflin

"Thanks to Brian for the extensive preparation that he did for our workshop. He has expansive knowledge and photographic expertise. On top of that, he is a very capable communicator and teacher who shows much interest in his students. He goes above and beyond what you would expect in order to make the learning experience worthwhile and memorable. Our workshop was first rate!" —Nancy N, Austin, Texas



NEW - Macro Quest

May 19-21 • September 28-October 1, 2017

Gather together in a biotic rich ecosystem to photograph our small world around us in a three-day photography workshop geared to making images of a many tiny subjects. This workshop is located at a facility with aquatic, woodlands, and limestone hill habitats. Photography will be focused in a field setting. Participants receive hands-on coaching in close-up photographic techniques while capturing a major collection of species in camera. The workshop will feature hands-on learning and demonstrations with abundant native Texas flora and fauna. Transportation, meals and lodging not included.

Macro & Close-up Photography Intensive in the Texas Hill Country

September 7-10, 2017

Photograph our small world around us in the heart of the magical Texas Hill Country for a three-day photography workshop geared to shooting close focusing images. This workshop is at Mo Ranch, a 500 acre facility located on the North Fork of the Guadalupe River with aquatic, woodlands, and limestone hill habitats. Photography will be in the field and lab setting. This workshop will be packed with hands-on instruction to help you grow your close-up photographic abilities with newfound skills, tools, techniques and proficiency. The workshop will feature hands-on learning and demonstrations with abundant native Texas flora and fauna. Meals and lodging included.

Bird Photography in the Texas Rio Grande Valley

October 12-15, 2017

Come to the avian rich Rio Grande Valley for a hands-on bird photography workshop in the heart of South Texas. The workshop features instruction and intensive shooting in some of the best South Texas birding habitat available timed for the best migrations.

The workshop will be held at the 700-acre Laguna Seca Ranch north of Edinburg, Texas, purpose-designed for bird photography. The ranch is preserved with all-native plants and animals and features constant-level ponds, and permanent photography blinds oriented for the best use of light. Each blind provides outstanding photographic opportunities. At our workshop we bring the birds to you creating an outstanding South Texas birding and photography adventure! Meals and lodging included.

NEW - Night Sky Workshop November 17-18, 2017

The night skies are bigger in Texas! Join us during the dark of the moon for an afternoon and overnight photography experience that will be unforgettable. The workshop will be held in a very remote location without light pollution to take advantage of the best night skies. The workshop begins at 1:00 PM the first day and ends after breakfast the second. Photography techniques to be taught include photographic stills of the stars and the Milky Way, star trails, time lapse star motion techniques and light painting with all the above. Transportation, meals and lodging not included.



For more information email: bkloflin@austin.rr.com or see: www.thenatureconnection.com/workshopschedule.html



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