



# **Austin Shutterbug Club**

## **NEWSLETTER**



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**Austin, Texas**

**July, 2022**

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Welcome to the July Newsletter of the Austin Shutterbug Club. I hope this message finds everyone happy and in good health.

### **This Month's Meeting / Program:**

Our meeting this month will be held this **Thursday, July 7, LIVE at the Northwest Recreation Center**. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm for fellowship and refreshments with the meeting and program starting at 7:00pm.

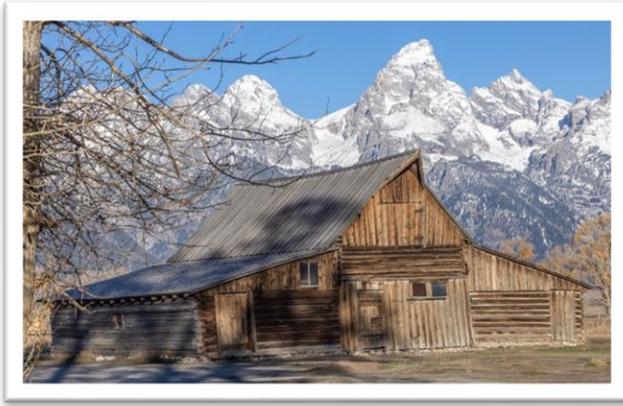
The program for the July meeting will feature a presentation from Joyce and Richard Bennett. They will discuss their 49 day / 10 thousand mile photo road trip to the Northwest USA in the Fall of 2021.

As background, Richard purchased his first Canon DSLR in 1970, and began mentoring Joyce after they married in 1994. They started seriously focusing on improving their photo skills after Richard's retirement in 2010. Although they enjoy taking scenic photos, their primary focus during the last few years (especially Joyce) has been bird photography. They are both avid Canon users.

Their photo interests for the trip were the scenic areas of Washington, Oregon and Idaho, along with a return visit to Yellowstone and Grand Tetons National Parks. They will also discuss pre-trip planning, photo equipment, successes and difficulties. Join us for a great ride!!

Below is a sample of photos they will show and discuss:





## Field Trips:

### June: Walburg Texas

On June 11 eleven club members ignored the heat to go to Walburg, Texas, for a morning of photography. Subjects included old buildings and vehicles, farm implements, rustic paraphernalia, curious details, and a herd of longhorn cattle. The group enjoyed a great lunch at Dale's Essenhaus.



Members at lunch in Walburg include (from left above) Brian Falbo, Cathey Roberts, Mike Martin, Brian Loflin, Phil Charlton, Mike Lewis, Barbara Hunley, Gary Eastes, Chuck Seidel, Margie and Pete Holland (taking this photo).

A selection of images from that trip will be shown at the July meeting.

July: Saturday, July 9, 2022, 9:00AM



**Hill Country Water Gardens**

1407 North Bell Boulevard  
Cedar Park, TX 78613

Lunch following at 11:30

**1431 Café**

601 E Whitestone Boulevard, Suite 300  
Cedar Park, TX

At the water gardens you will have a good opportunity to photograph a variety of freshwater ponds and all their amenities, including a wide selection of blooming plants, such as water lilies, lotuses, and many more species in the gardens. Also, dragon flies and other insects are in abundance. A special treat are the many ceramic water features and other garden whimsy.

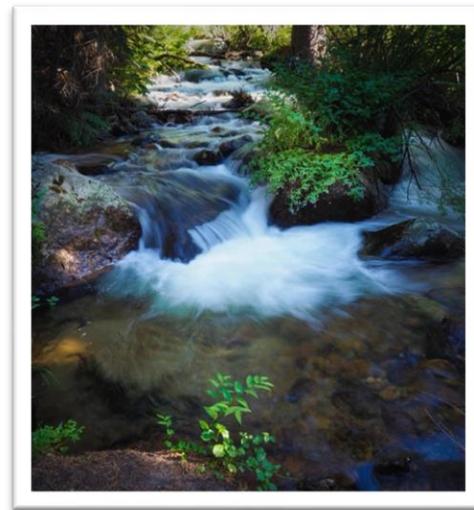
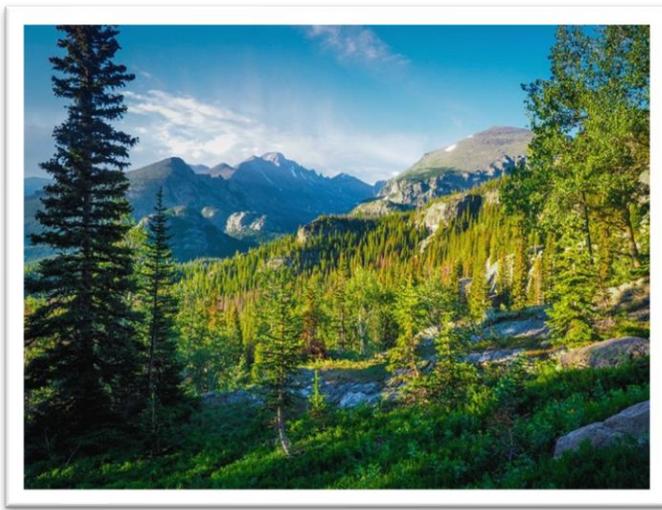
**Future Meetings:**

Date	Program
Aug 4	Assignment - Landscape
Sept 1	Real Estate Photography - Bruce Lande
Oct 6	Assignment - Three-Dimensional Public Art
Nov 3	What can make this photo <i>GREAT</i> - Brian Loflin and Phil Charlton.
Dec 1	Assignment – Any Holiday

**Future Photo Assignments:**

Date	Assignment	Description
Aug 4	Landscape	1) A photo of "an interesting broad scenic vista", <b>AND</b> 2) Another photo of "an <b>intimate</b> landscape (a closer photo with no horizon or vista) from the <u>same</u> area or scene which is well-composed and interesting.
Oct 6	Three-Dimensional <u>Public Art</u>	1) A photo of an <u>entire public art</u> piece with interesting, prominent, three-dimensional characteristics, <b>AND</b> 2) Another photo of an <b>intimate</b> detail from that same public art piece, which still demonstrates three-dimensionality.
Dec 1	Any Holiday	1) Large scale demonstration or illustration of any holiday (Be creative!!!), <b>AND</b> 2) Another photo of "an <b>intimate</b> detail shot illustrating the same holiday theme. The shot may be taken of a different scene or object, if desired, as long as it depicts the same holiday.

Below is an example of a broad scenic landscape image, and a close up of an "intimate landscape."



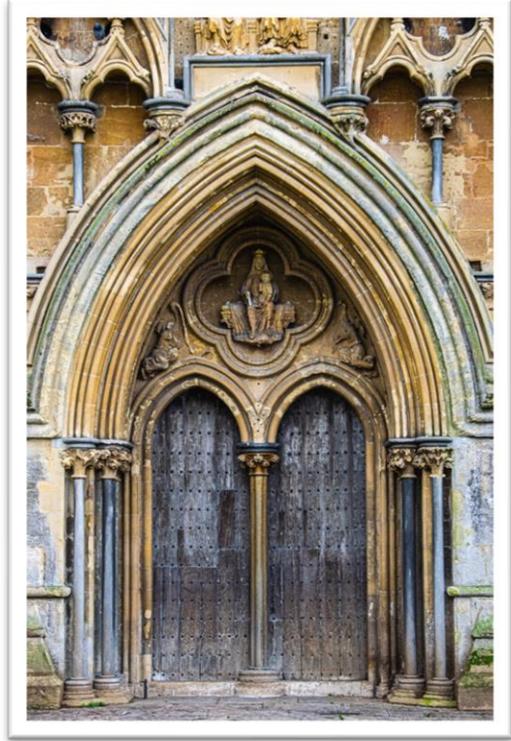
**As an alternative**, members may submit an image of any other subject which they feel is interesting, well-exposed and composed, which they wish to have evaluated for comment and suggestions for possible improvement.

These images may be taken at any time and may be in color or monochrome.

**Top Images From June's Assignment – "Buildings":**



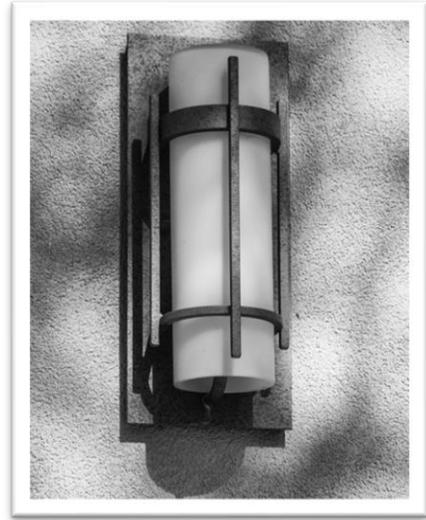
Barbara Hunley



Bill Henderson



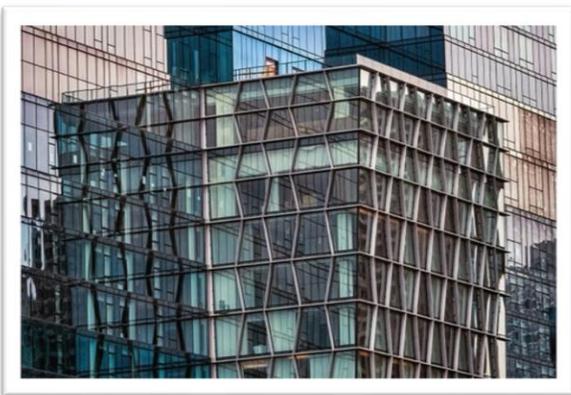
John Davis



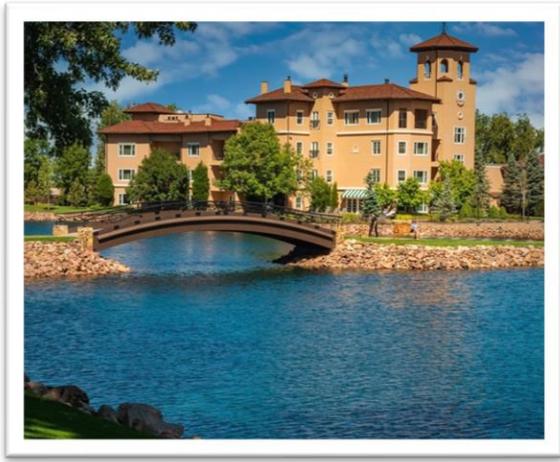
Kathy McCall



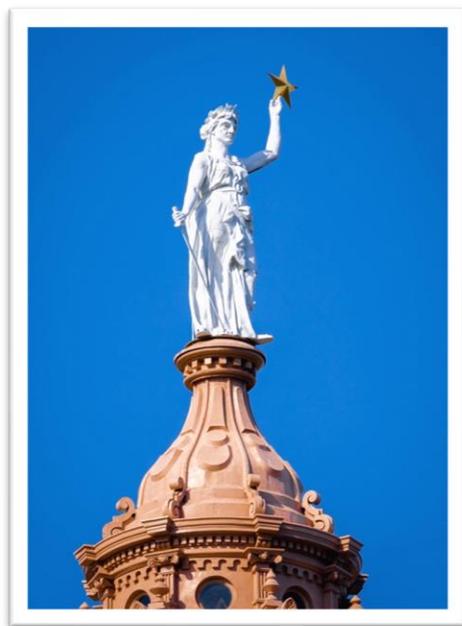
Mike Stys



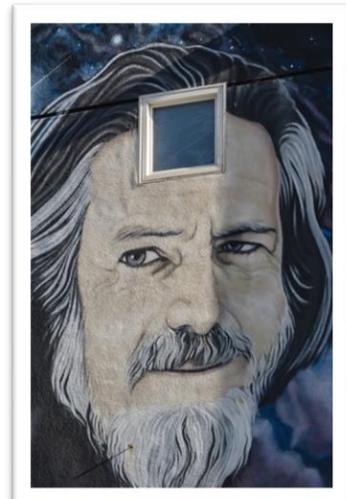
Lois Schubert



Rose Epps



Steve Houston



Bruce Lande