



## Save the Dates!

### Austin Shutterbug Club – Fall 2016

Plan your calendar now for these not-to-miss Club Photo Adventures!  
All details to be announced at the September Meeting.

#### September 10 Scavenger Hunt!

The club will travel to a small, nearby town to make a creative group of assigned images from a list of subjects provided that day. Lunch, too!

#### October 10 Judging of Scavenger Hunt Images at October monthly meeting

Participant's images will be e-mailed at a pre-arranged date for this evaluation.

#### October 15 Field Trip to San Antonio Zoo

Convoy or carpool to the famous San Antonio Zoo for a day of photography with the animals (and people, too!) Includes a great lunch nearby.

#### November 4-6 Weekend trip to Rockport-Fulton, Texas

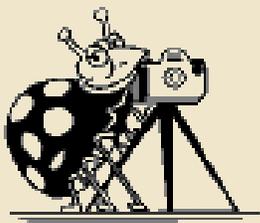
Three days and two nights in this great Texas seaside location. Includes exclusive, private boat tour up the Inter-coastal Waterway and backwater lagoons for Whooping Cranes. Photography of shrimp boat harbor, Fulton Mansion, and beach recreation. Seaside relaxation and much more!

**Don't miss out! These are always excellent field trips.**

Get great images, take advantage of exclusive instruction, enjoy the camaraderie, great food and more!

**September ASC meeting is Evaluation and Review of images.**

**The Assignment for September is - Rust:** Make an interesting composition that features something rusty. It could be a fence, sign, roof, wall, shed, utensils, tools, vehicle, etc. Must show the detail, texture and beauty in the color of rust. Color only.



**Thursday, September 1, 2016**

**6:30 pm**

**Northwest Recreation Center  
2913 Northland Dr. Austin, TX 78757**

***Visitors are  
always welcome!***

## Member Exhibits

**Austin Shutterbug Club Exhibit at East Main Grill has been extended until October 5.**

**Many thanks to Amanda Smith for doing all the work, and to our Shutterbug participants!**

**Club participants are Kelley Ahr, Cheryl Callen, John Davis, Dolph McCranie, Rose Epps, Pete Holland, Steve Houston, Kathy McCall, Paul Munch, Nancy Naylor, Lois Schubert, Linda Sheppard, Ken Uplinger, Thomas Vessely, and Pam Walker. Dolph and Paul have each sold an image.**

**If you haven't had a chance to view our exhibit, you now have a bit longer. It's located at 209 East Main Street in Johnson City, TX.**

**Several of our ASC members have been accepted into the Naturescapes 2016 Exhibit. It will be held in the San Marcos Activity Center September 3 through October 28. The reception and awards presentation will be September 3 from 5-7 pm at the San Marcos Activity Center - 501 E. Hopkins.**

**Kathy McCall has two images in A Smith Gallery's exhibit "habitat" which runs August 12 through September 18th with a Reception August 27th 4 - 7 pm.**

## Call for Entries

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

Juror | Jennifer Schlesinger

Entries Due | September 16, 2016

Exhibition dates | November 4 to December 11, 2016

Reception | November 26, 2016 from 4 to 7pm

for more info: amanda@asmithgallery.com

## 2016 Assignments

### November - A Garden/Cultivated Flower:

We have often focused on Texas wild flowers but this time it should be roses, orchids, lilies, exotics, etc. Find it in your own garden, a friends garden, a public garden or even buy one. Center of interest should be on one flower though could include others in a properly treated background. Color only.

## 2017 Assignments

**January - The color...RED:** The main subject must be red. The viewers eye should be drawn to the red immediately. Be creative, think outside the box! No B&W for obvious reasons, no sepia or monotone!

**March - Waterscape:** An image that includes water in a natural setting. Water should be the dominant element in the picture. Streams, waterfalls, lakes, ponds, are all fair game. Color or monochrome.

**May - Photo of a pet Animal** (Doesn't have to be your own). Color or monochrome.

**July - Circle:** Used to create a compelling image. May be one circle or many.

**September - Hands**

**On October 4-9, the Hill Country Photo Roundup** will be a visual exploration of what makes this area unique, including a morning shoot from kayaks on the Guadalupe River with a professional guide and visits to nearby small towns. Our base of operation will be the Victorian Mansion in Fredericksburg where we will hold lectures, edit-and-critique sessions, a dinner, and time for socializing. In order to build a community atmosphere, accommodations are included in the price of the workshop, which is limited to 12 people.

The following weekend, on **October 13-16, we will dive into the vibrant life of the State Capital during**

**Picture Austin.** Photo shoots will be at some of Austin's iconic places, including the capital, the skyline from Lady Bird Lake, and South Congress Avenue. Daily lectures and critique sessions will be held at a gallery space in East Austin. This workshop is limited to 16 people.

For more information about Krista Rossow and Jennifer Davidson, please see our websites: <http://www.kristarossow.com>  
<http://www.jdavidsonphotography.com>

Do you have a favorite website or YouTube link for information relating to photography or post processing?  
Send it to [kwmccall@gmail.com](mailto:kwmccall@gmail.com) and I'll post it in the newsletter.

### Internet Continuing Education and Information

- Blake Rudis  
<http://f64academy.com/blog/>
- <http://digital-photography-school.com/tips>
- Mike Browne - YouTube  
[www.youtube.com/user/photoexposed](http://www.youtube.com/user/photoexposed)
- Tony Northrup - YouTube  
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLBE338967F8DB7F2A>
- Anthony Morganti - YouTube  
[www.youtube.com/user/AnthonyMorganti](http://www.youtube.com/user/AnthonyMorganti)
- <https://www.rmsp.com/blog>
- Anne McKinnell  
<http://annemckinnell.com/blog/>
- <http://www.lightstalking.com/photography-freebies/>
- <https://www.on1.com/news/>
- <http://www.outdoorphotographer.com/blog/>

**The Frame Corner will give the Austin Shutterbug Club 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 2016

President	Brian Loflin	512-331-2820
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Competition Committee	Dolph McCranie	512-394-9031
Competition Committee	Linda Avitt	512-468-1542
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### AUSTIN SHUTTERBUG CLUB

#### Minutes of the August 4, 2016 Meeting

The August 4, 2016, meeting of the Austin Shutterbug Club was convened by ASC president Brian Loflin at 7:00 p.m. at the Northwest Recreation Center.

Brian welcomed visitors Vando Figueroa, Tim Lamb, Bruce Lande, Charles Pittman and Danelle Sasser.

Refreshments for this evening were provided by Rose Epps and Kathy McCall.

Treasurer Lois Schubert passed the dues envelope and announced that membership currently is half price.

Events Coordinator Stennis Shotts announced upcoming events:

August 20, Saturday - Longhorn Cavern  
September 3, Saturday - Scavenger Hunt - Images will be reviewed at the October meeting.

October 15, Saturday - San Antonio Zoo  
Weekend of November 5 - Trip to the coast

Brian introduced our speaker Jennifer Idol, photographer, diver, and graphic designer who presented the program based on her book, "An American Immersion." Jennifer's friend, Trish Harris, filmed the presentation after which Jennifer took questions and offered her books for sale.

Assignment category for the next Evaluation in September is "Rust."

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Nancy Naylor, Secretary

**Jeff Parker has several upcoming workshops**

**Visit <http://jeffparkerimages.com/joinme/> for more information.**

**ASC members get a \$10.00 discount!**

#### FOCUS ON THE WILD - 2016 Texas Parks and Wildlife Photography Contest

Join us in celebrating the 25th anniversary of Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation in 2016 by sharing your best outdoor photographs! See this site for all the details: [http://www.tpwf.org/focusonthewild/?utm\\_source=Email-TPWF&utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_content=Jan-Photo-Text&utm\\_campaign=E-news2016](http://www.tpwf.org/focusonthewild/?utm_source=Email-TPWF&utm_medium=Email&utm_content=Jan-Photo-Text&utm_campaign=E-news2016)

To have a chance at winning, be sure your photo fits the monthly theme and our photo contest rules. Contestants may enter up to 3 photos each month. Contests will open on the 1st and close on the 25th of each month.



**Macro Photography Workshop**  
**September 16-18, 2016**  
**MO Ranch, Hunt Texas**



Join award-winning naturalist and photographer Brian Loflin at Mo Ranch in the very heart of the magical Texas Hill Country for a three-day intensive macro photography workshop geared to shooting in a macro studio/lab and in field settings. This advanced workshop will be packed with over 20 hours of hands-on instruction and guided shooting to help you grow your photographic abilities with new found skills, techniques and proficiency.

The historic, 500 acre Mo Ranch is located in a beautiful setting on the North Fork of the Guadalupe River. Here, habitats include: aquatic, riparian areas, grasslands, oak-juniper woodlands, and limestone hills. We will make use of all of them.

The intermediate level workshop will feature hands-on learning and demonstrations with native flora and fauna of the area and will cover many subjects including coaching on:

- ◆ Equipment for getting close
- ◆ Perfecting Exposure
- ◆ Tools to make macro work easier
- ◆ Grip and support equipment
- ◆ Backgrounds
- ◆ Wide Angle Close-Ups
- ◆ Lighting with Flash
- ◆ High Speed Flash
- ◆ Multiple Flash
- ◆ High Key and White Box
- ◆ Tank Photos
- ◆ Macro Panorama
- ◆ Infrared Triggers
- ◆ Focus Stacking / Extreme Depth of Field
- ◆ Extreme Macro
- ◆ How big is it? (Mensuration)

**Tentative Schedule:**

Arrival 1:00 PM on Friday, September 16; Departure at 1:00 PM on Sunday, September 18.

**Cost and Payment:**

**Total price per person \$649.00 single occupancy.**

**Fifty percent (50%) of total required with booking. Balance due August 15, 2016.**

**Send payments through PayPal to: [bkloflin@austin.rr.com](mailto:bkloflin@austin.rr.com).**

**This includes all instruction, two nights lodging, dinner Friday, three meals Saturday and breakfast & lunch on Sunday, the use of a macro studio & lab, and the Larkin Digital Computer Lab. Does not include transportation to Mo Ranch or Hunt, Texas.**

**Minimum of six participants; maximum of ten.**

# Spots still available in October!

## South Texas Bird Photography Workshops

### 2016 -2017

Join noted photographer, author and instructor, Brian Loffin for an intense, instructional, bird photography workshop in the heart of the South Texas flyway. The workshop features a half-day of hands-on instruction and two and a half days shooting in some of the best South Texas birding habitat available where neotropical South Texas varieties and migrants abound.

The workshop will be held at the Laguna Seca Ranch north of Edinburg, Texas in the heart of the lush Rio Grande Valley. The facilities of the 700-acre ranch are purpose-designed for photography and preserved with all native species. It features four constant-level ponds, each with permanent photography blinds oriented for the best use of light. A fifth blind is set up specifically for raptors. Each location has been hand-crafted to provide the most outstanding bird photography opportunities. With nearly eighty species found on the property, Laguna Seca Ranch clearly offers a uniquely outstanding South Texas bird photography adventure!



*Crested caracara*



*Long-billed thrasher*

At our workshop we bring the birds to you! We set up natural perches considering the best photographic light. Photography of the best scenarios is just 12-15 feet from your lens! Birds have dripping water attractions and are fed year-round so that attraction of the best species is stress-free.

This workshop is designed for serious photographers competent in the use of their camera and equipment, yet may not have experienced the thrill of producing bird photographs of the highest quality. Copious instruction will include hands-on demonstrations in bird photography, understanding best exposures and camera settings, and the use of flash. Instruction will also include how to

set up in a blind and shooting etiquette, setting up perches, best management of light and backgrounds and much, much more.

The equipment of choice is a Digital SLR camera and zoom lenses in the 200 mm or longer focal length with tele-converter and extension tube options. Some photographers enjoy lenses of 400 to 600 mm in focal length. A dedicated flash with Better-Beamer style flash extender is an ideal option. Bring your laptop for image downloads and review.

Accommodations will be at the nearby ECHO Hotel in Edinburg, Texas. Participants will have mini-suites, a welcome spot to unwind and relax. Dinners will be served in the dining room and nearby restaurants and group discussions and refreshments will follow in the evenings. TV and Wi-Fi internet connections are available.

**Join us in Texas' Rio Grande Valley for a truly remarkable and memorable photographic experience!**

**Limited to six Photographers  
October 20-23, 2016 or March 2-5, 2017**

**Price: \$1,295.00**

**Includes lodging, meals and ranch fees.**

*(Exclusive of transportation to/from the Rio Grande Valley.)*

**A detailed information packet and equipment list will be sent to those wishing to register.**

*For more information contact:*

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*Pyrrhuloxia*



*Great jay*



*Sharp-shinned hawk*



*Golden-fronted woodpecker*



*Harris hawk*