



## **RIVER CITY CAMERA CLUB**

**OUR MISSION** 

WE SEEK TO PROMOTE THE KNOWLEDGE AND ENJOYMENT OF PHOTOGRAPHY THROUGH EDUCATION, PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES AND COMPETITION.



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# DECEMBER & JANUARY MEETINGS DECEMBER:

December 3, 2014 at 7:00pm

No program in December in lieu of our Christmas party

(please bring a dessert or an appetizer)

Evening will conclude with our Monthly Competition

#### **JANUARY:**

January 7, 2024 at 7:00pm

Program: Wayne Walkotten – Arial Photography

No Competition

# **Monthly Image Competition Info**

#### \*\*\*REMINDER\*\*\*

Rules for submissions are posted on our website www.rivercitycameraclub.org

#### SUBMITTING IMAGES for MONTHLY CLUB COMPETITION

Members may submit 6 images, 2 must be in the assigned category. You may enter up to 2 images in any other category for a total of 6 entries in both Print and Digital

Categories: Assigned (subjects on page 3), Creative, Nature, Open, Photojournalism, and Portrait and Non-Judged Fine Art.

DIGITAL IMAGES: Due week prior to meeting: RCCCDigital@RiverCityCameraClub.org by midnight.

PRINTS: Due by 6:50 pm on night of Competition





#### FINE ART SHOWCASE NON-JUDGED CATEGORY

The non-judged digital image category is an opportunity to allow photographers personal development beyond the requirements of typical camera club guidelines and technical "rules". Photographers may show up to two (2) images. The content of the photo is up to your definition of "fine art".

\*Images entered in this category may not be entered in monthly competition.

## 2014-2015 ASSIGNED SUBJECTS

By Sharon VanderBoon, Competition Chair, River City Camera Club

#### **December 2014: Interesting Skies**

No need to go any special place or have special equipment for this one. Since we all differ in what we consider interesting, this could include rainbows, cloud formations, stormy weather, sunrises, sunsets, cloud layers, various types of clouds, colors in the sky and clouds, sunny day clouds, lightning, lines, textures, aerial views, and sunbeams.

#### January 2015: Dynamic Diagonals

Diagonal lines can be found in numerous places, such as in mown fields or lawns, fencing, materials, buildings, staircases, sculptures, clouds, waves, sunbeams, or in the angle of the rows crops are planted in. One can find a subject that would normally appear as parallel lines, but turn their camera to achieve a diagonal line.

#### February 2015: Cubes & Squares

Look for squares (No fair putting a picture of a person in this. ③) and cubes in ice, sculptures, material, buildings, fencing, boxes, toys, (Checker board) bricks, tiles, vases, plates, jewelry, cages, pens, fields, clocks, candles, slide mounts, electronics, windows, and much more.

#### March 2015: Rope, Wire, or Chain

Check your local farm and home supply store for possibilities here. Boats and ships are a good place to find ropes, and where there is fencing, you may find the desired items. (Regular hard metal fencing would not qualify, but if the fence is made from wire (barbed, etc.) or chain, it would quality.) It does not have to be metal, so toy chains, paper chains, craft items, and jewelry are candidates for this subject. County fairs, a marina, zoo, tow truck, bicycle chains, or other machinery and equipment may be sources.

#### April 2015: Wild About White

White abounds in nearly every facet of life. I put this subject last, so that everyone has all winter to shoot something white like ice and snow. Other suggestions would be white animals, flowers, buildings, pottery, clouds, white themed table top set ups, sculptures materials, water, uniforms, vehicles, food (eggs, milk, vegetables) flags, costumes, bicycles, toys, pills, birds, and monochrome scenes. Just make sure your whites are white with detail!



#### **CURRENT BOARD & COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

COOKIE BRIGADE & PHOTO TIP OF THE MONTH

# PHOTO TIPS

By Kelly Walkotten

#### **TEXT**

When the text tool is active, you can reposition your text without switching tools. Just move the cursor away from the text and it will change to the move tool icon.



Now simply click & drag to reposition the text.

#### **REMOVING LENS FLARE**

While lens flare can be a nice aesthetic, have you ever tried to remove it? Content-Aware Fill is great for deleting it flare-by-flare. Make a loose selection around the flare with the Lasso tool (L). Press Shift and Delete to open the Fill dialog. Select Content-Aware in the Use drop-down menu, and click OK. Also a huge help with smudges, dirt, water, or even a finger over the lens.

# 2014-2015 Board and Committees

**President:** Larry Hayes President@RiverCityCameraClub.org

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#### JANUARY COOKIE BRIGADE REMINDER:

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MARTIN STANISH
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#### DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> CHRISTMAS PARTY & MEETING

Member Christmas party and meeting will be held Wednesday December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

#### Thank You Cari and Joe Povenz



Joe and Cari Povenz shared many tips on nature photography at the November meeting. Many of us have traveled the winter lighthouse crawl up the Lake Michigan shoreline each February with these self-proclaimed newlyweds.

Shooting award-winning nature photos and also publishing in nature magazines is a patient venture for both of them. Sometimes using camouflage, they wait for birds in likely areas they have cased out on a prior hike. Joe's award winning Indigo Bunting image was stunning to see in their November presentation. They have published in Birds & Blooms, National Wildlife, Country, and Nature Friend magazines.

You will NOT be disappointed by visiting the beautiful images at <u>povenzphotography.zenfolio.com</u> Some areas suggested for bird photography include Jasper-Polaski Indiana for cranes, Magee Marsh Wildlife Area, Lake Macatawa, and various county and city parks.

### **Photo Links**

By Julie Tamblin

Photo Links is a monthly list of links to photography sites whose blogs or articles I've found helpful or thought provoking. Since winter has once again arrived, following are links with tips on capturing the icy, snowy beauty of Michigan.

Five Uncommon Snow Photography Tips that can Transform you Winter Scenes <a href="http://digital-photography-school.com/5-uncommon-snow-photography-tips-that-can-transform-your-winter-scenes/">http://digital-photography-school.com/5-uncommon-snow-photography-tips-that-can-transform-your-winter-scenes/</a>

How to Capture Winter Scenes in Photography <a href="http://electronics.howstuffworks.com/how-to-capture-winter-scenes-in-photography.htm">http://electronics.howstuffworks.com/how-to-capture-winter-scenes-in-photography.htm</a>

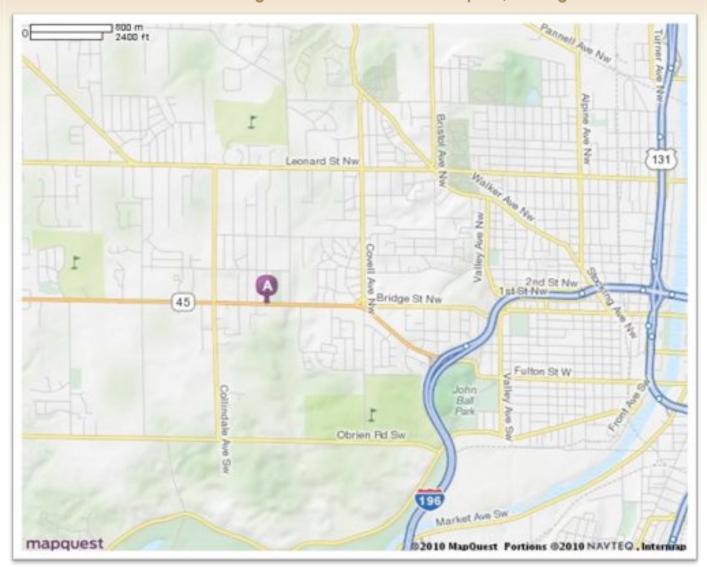
8 Tips and Tutorials For Winter Photography <a href="http://photonaturalist.net/8-tips-and-tutorials-for-winter-photography/">http://photonaturalist.net/8-tips-and-tutorials-for-winter-photography/</a>

## **Meeting Location:**

**Covenant Village of the Great Lakes** 

www.covenantgreatlakes.org

2510 Lake Michigan Drive NW. Grand Rapids, Michigan



#### **GOT NEWS?**

Have news, information, photos or suggestions for the October issue of The Currents?
Please submit by Friday October 31, 2014.
Send to: RCCCNews@RiverCityCameraClub.org