

St. Vrain Photographic Society

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Next Meeting
January 8, 2018

Our next meeting will be **Monday, January 8, 2018, 6:30 PM** in the **Fireside Room**, First Congregational United Church of Christ, 9th & Francis Streets in Longmont.

Enter through the west door on the north side of the building.

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President's Message

New Year's greetings! My name is Marion Worrell and I am honored to be this year's President of this wonderful photography club. It is humbling to look back and realize how many talented and devoted presidents worked hard since the club's inception in 1976 - some of you I had the pleasure to meet and receive great support and advice. I would like to thank Todd Towell for serving as president in 2017, as well as Lynda Clayton as our Vice President, Cliff DeJong as Secretary, Sallie Sprague as Treasurer and all the committees and chairpersons who worked hard to make our events successful. I have some big shoes to fill and will do my very best.

Heading into 2018, please welcome Susan Steven, our new Vice President, Jack Cornils who will be our new treasurer, Lynda Clayton and John Roper will share the duties of Secretary, Robbie Clayton will continue to work on the website development and will act as a contact for field trips. Cliff DeJong and Vicki Braunagel have agreed to help with organizing field trips as well. Barb and John Roper and Cathy Cook will continue to help with the Boulder County Fair. Bob and Kay Daugherty will help with the hospitality/refreshment committee and Joann Bell has agreed to chair that committee.

I look forward to working with this terrific executive board and chair members and together we will work hard to make this a fun and educational year. I urge you to take full advantage of all that the club has to offer. Come to the meetings, participate in the outings, submit images for our show- and -tell as well as competitions. Do as much as you can and also share your talents with the club members. Let's make this year's journey our best one yet.



January Speaker: Michael Lorh

My photography adventure began about 8 years ago when I began working for the County Park's department. I wanted to start showing friends and family all of the beautiful places that I was getting to see at my new job. I ended up getting an "intro" DSLR camera, the Nikon D40, and made a goal for myself to shoot every day by creating a 365 days of photography project. The goal was to shoot every day and share my favorite photo from that day over social media for my friends and family.



What was then a new hobby, soon became my passion. Shooting every day wasn't just a goal anymore but it was an adventure and a learning experience. It got me out exploring, it made me see the world in a whole new way. A normal pretty scene suddenly became a world of colors, and shadows, and motion and light! I was hooked!

I still carry my camera around nearly everywhere, and explore more than ever. I've traveled around the country, as well as overseas to Thailand and India (and soon New Zealand). I hike, I storm chase, and stay up into the early hours of the morning watching the stars. I'm always looking for a new way to see something amazing, and photo-

Committees and Chairpersons

Here are the folks who have stepped forward to help keep our club running smoothly. Feel free to contact them if they can assist you in any way.

Programs - Marion Worrell, Susan Steven

Hospitality - JoAnn and Jim Bell

Website & Digital Entries - Lynda and Robert Clayton

Equipment (projector, easel, lights, cords, etc.) - John Roper, Murth Murthy

Scoring Equipment - John & Barb Roper

Membership - Jack Cornils and Lynda Clayton

Photo Exhibits/Venues - John Roper, Barb Roper & Ann Stringe

Field Trips - Robbie Clayton, Cliff DeJong, Vickie Braunagel

County Fair Photo Exhibit - John & Barb Roper, Cathy Cook

Newsletter - Lynda Clayton and John Roper

A/C Judges - Todd Towell, Lynda Clayton

Workshops - Murth Murthy, Cliff DeJong, Dan Taber

Refreshments - JoAnn Bell, Bob and Kay Daugherty

January Categories - Special: "Hobbies"; Challenge "Snowscapes"

Photos will be show and tell.

[PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!]

FOR OUR REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS:

For the upcoming year, there will be Show/Tell/Commentary months. Please check the newsletter and the SVPS website for more information on the schedule.

No more than a **total of four digital images** may be entered in the following categories:

- Special Topic of the Month (zero to one image)
- Challenge Topic (zero to one image)
- Open category (zero to **two** images)
- Creative (zero to one image). (You do NOT have to submit entries in all categories.)

Digital images should be no larger than 2048 in the greater dimension and should be submitted as a .JPG attachment to an email to **StVrainPhoto@Gmail.com**, no later than the **Thursday** prior to the meeting. **This is a NEW email address for submissions.** Late entries will not be accepted!

New members are encouraged to enter photographs.

Please submit photos each month only after receipt of the newsletter. This is because there may be changes in category definitions, where to send photos, etc.

SVPS is on the Web!

Check out our Website at:

www.go-svps.org

(It's cool...)

NEW Digital submittal rules for St. Vrain Photographic Society

1. File type: jpg

Naming convention:

- Category (1**S** for Special, 2**Y** for Challenge, 3**O** for Open, and 4**U** for Creative)
- Photo title (blank spaces are allowed)
- Photographer's name (blank spaces are allowed)
- Category, photo title, and photographer's name separated by a dash (-)

General example: [Category]-[Title]-[Photographer].jpg

Specific example: 3O-Bridal Veil Falls-Ansel Adams.jpg

Photographer Name and Photo Title together should be no more than 45 characters. DO NOT use underscore or special characters (except dash).

3. Size: Digital images no larger than 2048 pixels in the larger dimension

4. E-mail photos to **StVrainPhoto@Gmail.com**. Submit by Thursday night before the Monday meeting. (Example: January 4th for the January 8th meeting). Submitters should get confirmation by Saturday evening that their photos were received. If not, please call and/or re-submit. No digital entries will be accepted after the Thursday deadline except in unusual circumstances by special arrangement with Lynda Clayton. NO digital entries will be accepted at the club meeting. For questions contact Lynda Clayton at (720)468-3085.

A few photos from the December 2017 meeting. As always, it was hard to choose just a few!



Barb Roper
"Ridin' the Range"



Michael Loh
"Light Bulb Reflection"



Cliff DeJong
"Looking at Me"



Bev Walkington
"Stepping Carefully"



Jack Cornils
"16th Street Lights"



Kamen Gutenchev
"Coexist"

2018 SVPS Meeting Schedule

Activities begin at 6:30pm

Your program chairs have been working hard to create informative and entertaining discussions and programs. The following events are confirmed for 2018:

Date	Opening Activity	Program
Jan 2018	Marc Rochkind	Michael Lorh: Lorh Photo: Michael Lorh Photography
Feb		Kenneth Wajda: Kenneth Wajda, Photographer
Mar		John Kieffer: Outside Imagery
Apr		Josh Harding: Chief Editor of Colorado Life Magazine
May		Ed MacKerrow: In Light of Nature Photography
June		

2018 Special & Challenge Photo Topics

A monthly photo topic AND a challenge topic help all of us stretch our photographic abilities.

Month	Special Topic	Challenge Topic*
Jan	Hobbies	Snowscapes
Feb	A Picture of a Picture	Macros
Mar	The Color Green	A Low Angle
Apr	Motion	Emotion
May	From a Distance	Upside Down

*The Challenge Topic is to encourage us to get out and learn something new about our cameras and shooting techniques.

Connecting with the Club

The St. Vrain Photographic Society maintains a Facebook Page, known as St Vrain Photographic Society. There is an option for you to join the group. Lynda Clayton is the administrator. You can post messages or photos here. Lynda will provide more info about this at the October meeting

Suggestions

We welcome YOUR input on program ideas, field trips, workshops and ways we can improve the club to make it more beneficial to you, the members. Email your suggestions to **Marion Worrell** : marionworrell@yahoo.com

Also let us know if you would be willing to lead a field trip, give a program or workshop, facilitate a discussion or become more active in the club as a committee member, an officer, or in any other way.

Workshops and Other Opportunities

Compass Bank Display

To display framed photos at Compass Bank, please contact **John Roper** at <johnroper2@comcast.net>. Photos may be left for one or two months and may be offered for sale if a price is included.

National Photography Contest

NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST & EXHIBIT



Sponsored by The Ozarks Photography Project**

WHERE: Eureka Springs, Arkansas; historic Auditorium

WHEN: Entries being accepted through February 28, 2018
(via www.callforentry.org website)

EXHIBIT: May 13 through 19, 2018 (includes print sales)

ENTRY FEE: \$35 for 3 entries (can submit up to nine entries)

POTENTIAL WINNINGS

- ♦ 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & Honorable Mention awards, in nine (9) categories (Includes "In & Around Eureka Springs" category)
- ♦ "Best of Show" Award
- ♦ "Peoples Choice" Award
- ♦ Up to \$1,000 in winnings
- ♦ Exhibiting photographers may sell their prints
- ♦ Tamron 10mm-24mm VR lens

Scan this QR code for how to apply and more details



For more information:
501-650-6497 (Ask for Jessica)
jessica@eurekaspringschamber.com

**TOPP is an Arts extension of the Greater Eureka Springs Chamber of Commerce

Ed MacKerrow will be our guest speaker in May. Additionally, he's offering this awesome workshop to shoot the Sandhill Cranes at MonteVista in March.

For the special workshop, here is a rough outline:

March 23, Friday evening 7pm-9PM Meet and Greet and brief planning meeting in Del Norte, CO Windsor Hotel

March 24rd, and 25th, 2018. Saturday and Sunday all day.

Saturday agenda:

Start 5:45AM sunrise photography on Monte Vista NWR
7:00AM - 9:30AM wildlife photography on MVNWR
10AM-11AM break
11AM - 2PM classroom post processing tutorial in Del Norte
3PM - Sunset (6:30PM) Great Sand Dunes NP

Sunday agenda:

Start 5:45AM sunrise photography on Monte Vista NWR
7:00AM - 9:30AM wildlife photography on MVNWR
10AM-11AM break
11AM - 2PM classroom post processing tutorial in Del Norte
3PM - Sunset (6:30PM) MVNWR, and area surrounding Monte Vista / Saguache.

Workshop size: 8 max, 4 min

Cost: \$425 / Person + tax. Spouses get 15% discount.

Level: advanced beginner to expert

Photo Opportunities in January!!

<http://icecastles.com/> in Dillon

The weather in Colorado this year has been great and the Ice Castle is growing quickly. There will be a dome room, a 50 foot slide, and lots of areas to explore.

National Western Stock Show in Denver

Thursday, January 4th, Thunder, owner Sharon Magness Blake and rider/trainer Ann Judge, will lead the tradition of Longhorn cattle, horses and western wagons through the streets of downtown Denver to celebrate the start of the 2018 National Western Stock Show. The parade begins at noon at Union Station and marches 15 blocks down 17th Street.

28th Annual Breckenridge International Snow Sculpture Championships. January 22nd-29th,

Watch as snow sculpture artists from around the world create creative masterpieces out 12-foot-tall, 25-ton blocks of snow using only hand tools.