



SVPS Newsletter

Next Meeting

April 2

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 2, 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 Letter

Dear Photographer Friends:

As I have announced since January, our goal is to make SVPS the most fun and rewarding photo club on the Front Range. You have hopefully noticed our club is more active than ever. More trips, more opportunity, more programs, new website, an Instagram page, and an active drive for more members.

We now have the opportunity to take our club to a new level through our active membership in the Photographic Society of America (PSA). I'm happy to report that we are already seeing the first benefits of our PSA membership. As posted on our SVPS Facebook page, we have invited the PSA Education Services Director, Jon Fishback to give us (and one other Photo Club we teamed up with) a workshop on Saturday, October 27th, entitled "Image Analysis".

And there are so many more ways to be active in PSA.

Active participation in PSA gives our club members the opportunity to grow, learn, and be challenged by photographers all over the country. One example — inter-club competitions — allow our members to compete with photographers in various categories with other PSA-member clubs across America.

And isn't challenge, growth, and exposure to like-minded people a big part of why we all joined this great organization?

So here is my request: The club needs one or two people to be the PSA Representative, and bring these new opportunities to our members.

Will you be the person(s) to be the Club Representative with the PSA? Why not reach out to a friend and say "Let's do this."

I'm reminded of the expression "You get out what you put in". In this case, I argue that you get out MORE than you put in as your circle of friends and fellow photographers expands in new and exciting directions.

So, show your spirit and join the movement to make SVPS the most fun and rewarding club on the Front Range. Drop me an e-mail at: MarionWorrell@yahoo.com, or call me at 704-724-3775 with questions about this or how to get more involved in SVPS.

Wishing you all great images!

Marion Worrell
2018 President

New Member Spotlight - Elaine J Hoffman

During my childhood, both my mother and grandfather were avid photographers and I fondly remember waiting for Grandpa & Grandma to come back from their winter trips to Mexico so we could see all the amazing photographs he'd taken. I inherited an old SLR from him and took that with me on camping trips, to school and family vacations.

When I got into college I splurged on a brand new Canon SLR with 2 lenses ... oh wow! And used that for years. Life intervened and I didn't take any photographs for more than 15 years until getting ready for the trip of a lifetime to Ireland in 2015. I then upgraded the camera to a digital SLR and set off to photograph the Emerald Isle to honor my mother who'd passed away only a couple of months before the trip. Once I returned and started showing some of photos to friends, I got "pushed" into becoming a serious photographer. I've now been to Alaska to shoot the Northern Lights (a bucket list item), France and Spain. I've also discovered the wonders that exist in my own yard with small bugs and plants.



When people ask me what type of photographer I am, I answer "I shoot weird stuff".

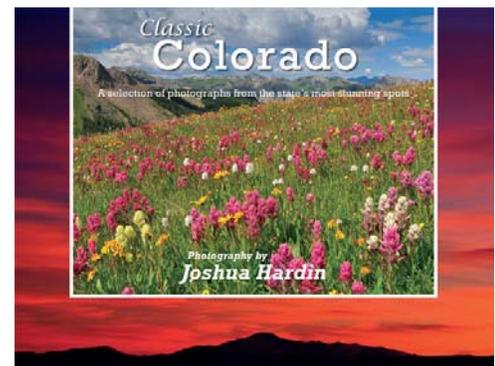
"Light is beautiful and if you expose for it, it will look awesome." — Daniel Aguilar

April's Speaker - Josh Hardin

Joshua Hardin is a Colorado native and resident whose lifelong interest in photography began while using a Kodak 110 film camera to document his childhood family hiking trips around Colorado and the national parks of the western United States. Joshua studied black and white darkroom photography in high school and later worked as a manager at a chain of professional one hour photo lab stores in the Loveland/Fort Collins region. While attending Colorado State University he was editor of CSU's student newspaper *The Rocky Mountain Collegian*. After earning a bachelor's degree in journalism he worked for a year as a reporter and photographer for *The BVI Beacon*, a newspaper in the British Virgin Islands.

Upon returning to Colorado, Joshua worked as the staff photographer for Regis University in Denver from 2004 to 2009 while earning a master's degree in business administration with a marketing emphasis there. In 2010, he published the mass-market paperback book **Classic Colorado** that featured a retrospective of his favorite landscape and wildlife photos from the across the state. Recently, Josh became the founding staff photographer and photo editor for *Colorado Life Magazine*, a lifestyle publication covering stories about the state's nature, adventure attractions, history and colorful characters.

Joshua's work has also been published by *The Denver Post*, *Outdoor Photographer Magazine*, *The Colorado Press Association* and many other publications. He owns Viewfinder Media, a company devoted to nature and travel photography, publishing and workshops for photographers and business leaders. Today, Josh still spends an extensive amount of time exploring and photographing his home state of Colorado and other western landscapes.



"The best thing about a picture is that it never changes, even when the people in it do." — Andy Warhol

Upcoming Meetings' Photo Categories:

April - Special Topic: *Motion*
Challenge Topic: *Emotion*

May - Special Topic: *From a Distance*
Challenge Topic: *Upside Down*

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

- ◆ Special Topic of the Month (0-1 image)
- ◆ Challenge Topic (0-1 image)
- ◆ Open category (0-2 images)
- ◆ Creative (0-1 image).

Digital images should be no larger than 2048 in the greater dimension and should be submitted as a .JPG attachment via email to StVrainPhoto@gmail.com, **no later than Thursday prior to the meeting**. Late entries will be considered on a case by case basis, but please try to get your submissions in on time.

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.

*****Please note that only members who are up to date with their dues may submit photos for the monthly Show and Tell.**

Photo Submission Rules:

File type: JPG files only, please.

Naming convention:

- ◆ Category (1S for Special, 2Y for Challenge, 3O for Open, and 4U for Creative)
- ◆ Photo title (blank spaces are allowed)
- ◆ Photographer's name (blank spaces are allowed)

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).

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

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.

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:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opening Activity</u>	<u>Program</u>
Apr 2nd	iNaturalist	Josh Hardin: Chief Editor of Colorado Life Magazine
May 7th		Ed MacKerrow: In Light of Nature Photography
June (date TBD)		Annual Competition Awards and Pot Luck



“I find humor in many situations and things and I tend to make photographs that point out these things. We photograph according to our character.”
- Huy Nguye



Tips and Tricks - Inspiring Photography Blogs

It's been many years since I have blogged, but I continue to enjoy reading the blogs of likeminded folks. Throughout the years I've discovered blogs by people who are inspired by beautiful landscapes, interesting faces, nature and wildlife, graphic black and whites and breathtaking light. Here are a few blogs that I enjoy: Click the titles to go to the blog site.

- [Tom Robinson Photography](#)

Tom Robinson, a London based location and portrait photographer, who finds himself most at home in parts of the world that are nothing like back home. Working for magazines, advertising, hotels, restaurants and PR. Recent clients include Conde Nast Traveller, Lonely Planet Traveller, easyJet, Ryan Air, Wizz Air & Sunday Times Travel magazine. Tom is available for commissioned work in any part of the world.

- [Lenspiration](#)

The mission of Lenspiration is to provide photography enthusiasts and parents of budding photographers with a wholesome, family-friendly environment for learning photography and developing an eye for beauty through real-world video episodes, photo assignments, online training and on-location workshops.

- [Art In Nature Photography](#)

Each of my images is the result of patient hours spent in the field, exploring, learning, feeling, and seeing. Occasionally everything aligns and I get to bring home meaningful images, but I enjoy every minute of the wilderness regardless of my photographic success.

- [Jules Cox Wildlife Photography](#)

Jules is a British wildlife photographer, with a passion for the wildlife and wildernesses of the British Isles and frozen North. His work is published widely, both in the UK and internationally. He is a regular contributor to BBC Wildlife Magazine, with a number of cover images..

- [Joel Grimes](#)

In defining his work, Joel views himself as an illusionist; creating images larger than life. The photography process is in a constant flux of change. He believes that embracing that change gives him a greater option to fulfill his vision as an artist.



Member Photos from the March Meeting

Here is a sampling of the photos that were submitted in March Please send your photos for the April meeting to stvrainphoto@gmail.com by Thursday, March 25, 2018!

Woodie-Marc Rockkind



Reflection of Engine-Jim Bell



Texas Spring Wildflowers
Vicki Baunagel



Door to Door
Karen Samblanet



Morning Sun
Robert Daugherty



Greenhouse - Betty LaVelle



Hallet Peak from Sprague Lake-Martin Bauer





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News and Information

- ◆ Don't forget the Longmont Artists Guild's Annual Member Show - Barn A | Boulder County Fairgrounds: **June 6th - 10th, 2018**. SVPS will be joining LAG by entering photos and volunteering to help during the show. See Susan Steven for more information.
- ◆ [A Wild Mustang American West Weekend Workshop](#)
Friday, May 4 - Sunday, May 6, 2018
Cost: \$525 until Feb. 15, 2018 (includes 2-nights hotel stay, double occupancy). After Feb. 15, rate is \$625 per person.
Location: Maybell, Colorado
Focus: Wild mustangs and the Great American Horse Drive
Limit: 10 persons

Committees and Chairpersons

Programs - Marion Worrell, Susan Steven
Hospitality - JoAnn and Jim Bell
Website & Digital Entries - Robert and Lynda 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
PSA Representative - Open (Looking for one or more volunteers)
A/C Judges - Marion Worrell, Susan Steven
Workshops - Murth Murthy, Cliff DeJong, Dan Taber
Refreshments - JoAnn Bell, Bob and Kay Daugherty



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