MARCH 2023

St. Vrain Photographic Society Newsletter

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March <u>NO</u> Showcase



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Future Photo Categories

March – Charles Needle program - no showcase April - stormy weather May - signs of spring October - ethereal, spooky, eerie November - fall colors December - panning

Dues are DUE!

SVPS dues deadline:

Renew membership by February 28 \$35 – Individual \$60 – Family

Make check to SVPS Mail to: Leslie Larson, P.O. Box 4, Lyons, CO 80540 Questions: Contact Leslie LL.cvc1@gmail.com

March Meeting

DATE: Monday, March 6 TIME: 6:30 pm WHERE: In-person United Church of Christ, 1500 9th Ave., Longmont Also, on ZOOM

March Program: Creative Macro Photography



Charles Needle is an award-winning, Colorado-based fine art photographer, author, juror, speaker, and workshop leader with a unique eye for design and artistic interpretation. His popular "Art of Nature" creative macro workshops have attracted students nationwide.

In 2018 and 2021, Charles earned honorable mentions in the Macro and Visual FX categories of the prestigious Annual International Mobile Photography Awards Contest. He was also a semi-finalist in the 2014 Nature's Best Photography Windland Smith Rice International Awards photo contest. In 2011, Charles was selected as a finalist, among 15,000 entries worldwide, in the International Garden Photographer of the Year photography contest, sponsored by The Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew (London, England). This exhibition traveled throughout the United Kingdom.

Charles has authored three instructional books: *Tiny Worlds: Creative Macro Photography Skills* (Amherst Media, January 2015), *Impressionistic Photography: A Field Guide to Using Your Camera as a Paintbrush* (March 2014), and *Creative Macro Photography: Professional Tips & Techniques* (2011).

An accomplished speaker and teacher with international workshops in Monet's Garden (Giverny, France for 20 years in a row), Keukenhof Gardens (Holland) and The Butchart Gardens (Canada), Charles is a North American Nature Photography Association (NANPA) Showcase Award winner for 17 years in a row and placed in the Top Ten and Top 26 image categories for two of those years.

Charles' photographs have been selected for many prestigious publications.

To learn more about Charles' work, including his workshop and private lesson offerings, visit www.charlesneedlephoto.com.

Two Spring Exhibits at the Great Frame Up

430 Main Street, Longmont

Longmont Artists Guild Show & Sale, March 10 – May 6, 2023



St. Vrain Photographic Society Show & Sale, May 12 – July 7, 2023

ST. VRAIN PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY'S

2023 Member Show

May 12 - July 7, 2023



Opening Reception Friday, May 12, 5-8 pm

GENERAL INFORMATION:

DATE of SHOW: May 12 – July 7, 2023. OPENING RECEPTION: Friday, May 12, 5:00-8:00 pm.

CURRENT SVPS PARTICIPATION:

16 members so far. ENTRY FEE: ~\$25-\$30/photographer.

DISPLAY: Eight 4x8 boards still available.

(These boards will be released on 03/01/23 to those signed up who have requested additional space).

DISCOUNT: GFU offers a 25% discount, until May 1, on custom framing & labor for show participants.

CONSIGNMENT FEE: GFU charges a 35% consignment fee and handles all transactions including sales tax.

(Net proceeds from sales are paid to each individual photographer at the conclusion of the show).

OPENING RECEPTION:

PUBLICITY: SVPS is responsible for all advertising and press releases for the reception and show.

(GFU and LAG will help publicize our Members' Show on their websites and on Facebook).

FOOD: SVPS will provide food, non-alcoholic beverages, plates/cups/napkins, etc.

DRINKS: GFU can arrange with Augustina's Winery to serve wine at a nominal charge per glass.

SCHEDULE:

Monday, May 1 - Finalize list of photographers and send to GFU with names, phone #'s, and emails.

Wednesday-Thursday, May 10 & 11 – 10:30 am to 4:30 pm, Hang photo exhibits.

Friday, May 12 – Opening Reception, 5:00-8:00 pm.

May 12 – July 7 – SVPS show open to the public.

Saturday & Monday, July 8 & 10, 10:30 am to 4:30 pm – Take down and pick up photo exhibits.

FRAMING REQUIREMENTS:

- Photos on any kind of paper must be framed.
- "Gallery wrapped" photos may be unframed, without glass, but must have finished edges.
- ✓ Photos that are "plaqued" may be unframed.
- Photos on metal may be unframed and hung with the built in hanger, but not a cleat.
- Not allowed sawtooth hangers, cleats, or exposed glass.
- All photos must have a preinstalled wire for hanging.
- ✓ The Great Frame Up provides hooks, tools, etc. for hanging.
 - Each photographer is responsible for hanging and removing their own photo display.

2023 Boulder County Fair - August 2023

- SVPS has coordinated the Fair photo exhibit for 50+ years.
 Boulder County Fair officials have requested our continued participation in 2023 and I will recommend board approval.
- We will need all club members to support this exhibit in some manner – help with check-in and check-out of entries, exhibit setup or breakdown, capturing judges' comments, encouraging community adult and student participation, and nominating judges.
- The Ropers' will be our POC with Fair officials. Reed will help coordinate help for setup, breakdown. Cathy is revising the "Fair Book."
- The Fair Committee will decide photo categories, how many entries/categories, levels of participation (junior, intermediate, advanced).



More info coming in the next few months.