
April 2016 TCC Newsletter

Dear Member-

After all the crazy weather we've had the last few months, it looks like spring is showing its face at last. The thermometer is still on a roller coaster ride, but flowers are starting to appear, the birds are definitely back, and I'm finally getting into more of a shooting frame of mind. Time for some golden hour trips to the rivers and marshes.

I am still in the process of putting together a Nominating Committee to come up with a slate of officers for the 2016-17 club year. I've had some success, but not enough. At this point, there are only three officers facing a two-year term limit, and they are all at-large members of the Advisory Committee. That should make the job of putting together a slate relatively easy. If you would be willing to serve as a member of the Nominating Committee, please let me know. If you get an email or call from me asking you to serve, please consider a "yes" response as one way you can contribute to the club's success. Member participation is essential!

Recurrent Reminder: If you haven't already done so, subscribe to the TCC blog. It's a non-invasive way to get late-breaking announcements about scheduling, exhibits, field trip opportunities, and so on. Just go to the TCC website, click on the TCC Blog link ([click here](#)) on the right side of the menu at the bottom of every page, and enter your email address where asked for.

-- Bill Geoghegan

April 4, Talbot County Community Center, Wye Oak Room, 7:00 pm:



David Blecman returns to TCC as our speaker this month with a presentation entitled *"What's In My Bag."* David will talk about what he takes along on a typical professional photo shoot, what the less obvious items are, what they do, and why and when he might need them. He says that we should learn a thing or two – and a trick or two.

David started his photographic career fresh out of high school in 1978, and before turning twenty, he was named Photo Editor of the county newspaper. After many years of shooting weddings and such, he started [Positive Negatives](#) in 1997, and concentrated more on the commercial photography arena. He is now an internationally recognized photographer and instructor, having taught in over a dozen countries to photographers, models, and makeup artists. He currently shoots for magazines, clothiers, fashion designers, and numerous other print and commercial accounts, as well as for models, actors, and their agencies. He has been published hundreds of times, and his specialties include, but are not limited to: child and adult models, architectural, food, fashion, swimwear, location and studio work, products, headshots, etc.

David speaks at modeling and photography venues, judges at pageants, teaches at

makeup artists internationally. More recently, David has been mentoring a group of over 650 amateur photographers, and is getting them exposure and recognition by having their work displayed and sold at local venues.

April 6: Deadline to submit photographs for the April digital photo competition, "Open with time limit," 11:45 pm April 6, 2016"

The judge will be Corey Hilz. The theme definition:

The photographer is free to choose any image that he or she has created with no thematic restrictions. The Photograph must have been taken on or after January 1, 2013.

To submit your images, e-mail your one or two entries to

digitalsubmit@tidewatercameraclub.org

Use this link to view the slideshow of the April digital photo competition when it becomes available: <http://tidewatercameraclub.org/gallery/>. The newest competitions are at the bottom of the page, listed by month.

Use this link to view the judge's comments after the competition meeting. You may be prompted to enter the Members Only page password (lluniau26) to access this page: [View Judges Comments Page](#)

If you would like to see the guidance that the club provides each of our judges, go to [judges instructions](#).

April 18: Talbot County Community Center, Wye Oak Room, 7:00 pm:

Competition Meeting: We will be reviewing the results of the April competition.

KUDOS:

Nothing to report this month, but if you encounter news about TCC members that should be passed along through this section of the newsletter, please communicate it to Norm Bell (normanbell45@gmail.com). Norm will consolidate the items and forward them to me for inclusion.

Effective March 24, 2016 Google's Nik Collection of plug-ins for Photoshop, Photoshop Elements and Lightroom is now **free**. Additionally, anyone who purchased the collection in 2016 will be given an automatic refund. Google says that it is focusing its photographic development efforts on software for mobile devices, and it is not clear at this point what this portends for future maintenance and updates for the Nik Collection. (Thanks to Janet Kerr for the heads-up.)

Upcoming Exhibits

Talbot County Community Center:

The requirement for frames with Plexiglas has been removed. We now have permission to hang framed prints with glass in the Talbot County Community Center Lobby and in the Wye Oak Room. If you are interested in exhibiting your work, please send an email to exhibits@tidewatercameraclub.org, with the subject line, "Talbot County Community Center Exhibit." Let us know if you're interested in the Lobby area, the Wye Oak Room, or both, and the potential number of prints you have to exhibit. Note that TCC has a significant number of frames that can be loaned out to TCC members for club exhibits. There is also help for getting images printed if needed.

Remaining 2016 Exhibits:

St Michaels Library, St Michaels, MD: Month of April 2016, (Currently showing)

Chestertown Library, Chestertown, MD: May 2016. (Exhibit participation details and the registration form can be found on the TCC web site in the "Members Only" section.)

"Print of the Year" Competition: Dorchester Center for the Arts, June 2016.
Best to begin getting ready for this one!

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