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Welcome to December-

Speaker Meeting



Professional photographer and TCC Member, David Blecman, will be giving a presentation entitled “Landscape Photography” on Monday, December 3rd, at Talbot County Community Center from 7pm-9pm. David will be covering such topics as preparation before you head out, equipment needed, filters that could be helpful, composition, and post processing tools and techniques.

David Blecman, a member of the Professional Photographers of America, started his photographic career in 1978, and started Positive Negatives in 1997. He is now an internationally recognized photographer and instructor, having taught in over a dozen countries to photographers, models, and makeup artists. His personal mentoring programs for photographers and commercial models continues to grow in popularity. David has photographed projects for

such clientele as Sears, Color Me Beautiful, JC Penney, Bath & Body Works, Foot Action, Kaybee Toys, Littman Jewelers, Seagrams Americas, Holiday Inn, Wyndham Hotels, Days Inn, Hilton Hotels, The White House, Black Market, Water Water Everywhere, Cornell University, etc. David has also been hired to photograph such celebrities as President George W. Bush, Christina Aguilera, Jimmy Buffett, Steely Dan, Moody Blues, Beyonce and Destiny's Child, Celine Dion, Gene Simmons and KISS, and numerous others.



David 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 continues to speak at modeling and photography venues, judges at pageants, teaches at modeling agencies, and continues to teach and mentor photographers, models, and makeup artists internationally. More recently, David is mentoring a group of over 1050 amateur photographers, and is getting them exposure and recognition by having their work displayed and sold at local venues.

<https://www.posneg.com>

Competition Meeting

Our November speaker, Ken Conger, took us around the world as he searched for exotic species in their natural habitats and entertained us with fascinating stories of his journeys. We had a month to consider Ken's presentation and to attend an outing at Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge to discuss and practice photographing wildlife. We are fortunate to have Ken as our judge for this month's theme, **Wildlife**. The theme challenges the photographer to capture a compelling image of wildlife in its natural setting. Lens selection will be dependent on whether you want a close-up or if you wish to include the animal's environment. If eyes are visible in the composition, sharpness of and catch-lights in the eye(s) are important. Look in your backyard, local parks, refuges, and shorelines or go further afield to find your subject. Captured wildlife and pets are not appropriate subjects for this challenge. Scores and comments will be reviewed during the Competition Meeting on Monday, December 17th.

The theme definition and submission rules can be found at the following links:

<https://tidewatercameraclub.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/TCC-2018-2019-theme-definitions-v5.pdf>

<https://tidewatercameraclub.org/rules/>

Link to submit your entries:

digitalsubmit@tidewatercameraclub.org.

Print Exhibit

Our next print exhibit is scheduled to be held at the Todd Performing Arts Center, Chesapeake College, Wye Mills, from January 3rd to March 8th. If you are interested in participating in this exhibit, prepare to hang up to 4 prints as we have ample space in this venue. Exhibit Coordinator, Chris Jewett, will send out a Special Announcement with details once we receive final confirmation of dates from the college.

Special Interest Groups

There are quite a few members who are interested in participating in more than one Special Interest Group (SIG). The SIG Coordinators will be meeting on December 13th to determine what options are available to make the SIG “reviews” accessible to all. An update will be provided during the second half of the Competition Meeting on December 17.

If any member would like assistance with processing a photo, please send your processing question(s), along with a high resolution image, to question@tidewatercameraclub.org

Kudos

Barbara Cook’s image “Snowy Gazebo at Muskrat Park, St. Michaels MD” will be on the cover of December’s issue of Attraction Magazine.

Carol Ward’s image of “Milky Way at Low Tide” was juried into the Biggs Museum Gallery. In addition, her image “Milky Way Over Arches National Park”, was also juried into NIGHT: The 28th Annual Strathmore Juried

Exhibition.

Congrats Barbara and Carol!

Outings

December 16: We will meet at Terrapin Park from 10am-2pm to capture images of the iconic landmark, the Chesapeake Bay Bridge. Please register at outings@tidewatercameraclub.org so that I can contact you in the event of a weather-related cancellation and send you directions to the venue.

TCC Sponsored Workshops

December 8, 10am-1pm: Wye Oak Room, TCCC

David Blecman's "Getting Acquainted, or Reacquainted, with Lightroom".

During this workshop, David will show you how to import your images onto your hard drive(s) via Lightroom Classic CC. He will detail the import process so that you **clearly** understand it, and you will save yourself multiple steps and time.

Then, he will explain the Library Module to you so you have a very good understanding of it. Finally, he will show you how to use the Develop Module so that you can start editing your images just like the pros do, showing you the tricks and tips that will open up an entire new world of image processing to you.

This is a "watch and learn" workshop. Only a pad and pen are required. Please do not bring your computer. TCC Member Fee-\$25. Please register at workshops@tidewatercameraclub.org.

January 12, 10am-1pm: Wye Oak Room, TCCC

Charles Bilconish will be conducting a workshop on lighting and posing. Stay

tuned for details. Please register at workshops@tidewatercameraclub.org.

Workshops Offered by TCC Members and/or Speakers

We have a number of TCC Members and Speakers who offer a variety of workshops and field trips. These events will be posted mid-month on the blog. Note that blog posts remain on the website for easy access to prior announcements.

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Have a safe and happy holiday season!

Cheers,
Janet

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