

**Orlando Camera Club Presents  
Decembers 2017 Member  
Spotlight:**

**Ken Blye**



Ken was born in Ithaca, NY. He and wife Nancy moved to Miami after completing their undergraduate degrees in Education at SUNY at Oneonta. Nancy taught Gifted 1<sup>st</sup> graders and Ken was a Dean at Miami-Dade Community College.

While in Miami, Nancy gave him his first Nikon film camera and his love affair with photography began.

Ken was President and a Director of the Kendall Camera Club. He and a fellow Club member co-produced 14 half hour TV shows titled "Exploring Photography" for the local Miami public television station.



Shortly after retiring to Orlando in 2003, he was one of several folks who founded the Orlando Camera Club and served as OCC's founding President in 2004.

Ken loves to photograph most anything from his grandchildren to the Taj Mahal; he loves the challenge of nature photography, specifically birds in the wild.



His images have won several awards... one of which was the Nature's Best Magazine's Windland Smith Rice International Camera Club Award in 2008. The winning images from the nine participating OCC members were displayed in the Smithsonian for 8 months.

One image of the "Port of Miami Bridge at Night" won a Competition Grand Prize of \$5000.

Ken's favorite Thoreau quote is found in Bryan Peterson's Learning to See Creatively is " **the question is not what you look at but what you see**".



Roseate Spoonbill

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