



FEBRUARY 2022

**February 7th, Monday,
6:30 pm:**

**Special Interest Group
Monthly Meeting:
Zoom**

Join a SIG and get to know other members of OCC while expanding your knowledge and experiences! They are a lot of fun! Join the interaction while exploring techniques, processing, and field trips! Members can join any time!!

You are invited to a Zoom meeting:
When: Feb 7, 2022, 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkcu2qr-TojG9B2PsHPQO5tvV_6wYN-wU23u

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

**FEBRUARY 14th - 6:30 (Zoom Mtg)
COMPETITION - OPEN**

The theme for February's competition is "OPEN." See the competition page on the OCC website for more information on competitions.

Deadline for Entry is February 4th, 8:00 PM est

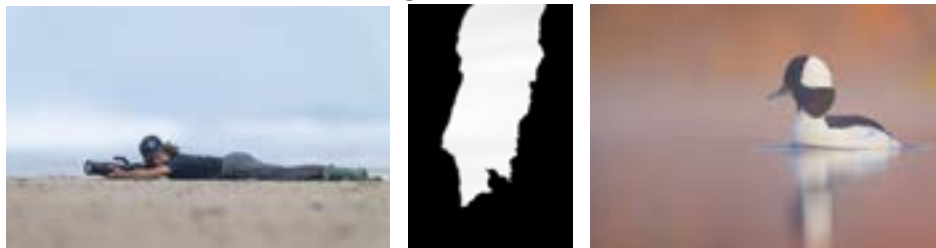
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MONDAY, February 28th at 6:30pm

**HUNTS PHOTO presents "Lighting for Bird Photography"
By Christopher Smith**

**How to use light to your advantage
in executing your creative vision**



You are invited to a Zoom meeting.
When: Feb 28, 2022 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUlcu-rpzgrEtxn-peVy3WP89sjoaHRVP5r>

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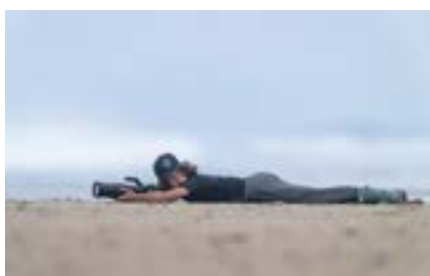


New Programs in 2022!!

The Orlando Camera Club is excited to announce an updated program calendar for 2022. Our goals are to have more interactive meetings in 2022 while keeping a line-up of nationally known speakers.

Feb 14th COMPETITION

Feb 28th Creative Lighting for Bird Photography by Christopher Smith



Mar 14th TBD

Mar 28th Evaluating and Working with Light in Landscape Photography by Nic Stover

Apr 11th COMPETITION

Apr 25th Infrared Photography by Laurie Klein

COMPETITION THEMES 2022

BI-MONTHLY COMPETITIONS

Feb. 2022 Open

Apr. 2022 Anything Water

Jun. 2022 High or Low Key

Aug. 2022 Open

INFORMAL CHALLENGES

Mar. 2022 Unusual Perspective

May. 2022 Doors and Windows

Jul. 2022 Food

Sep. 2022 Jewelry

Saturday, February 5th, 2022 - OCC Field Trip Blue Spring State Park



Saturday, February 5th we are heading to BLUE SPRING STATE PARK [2100 W. French Ave., Orange City, FL 32763]! This is "manatee season," and Blue Springs is a designated manatee refuge...we're lucky that it's only about 45 minutes north of Orlando!

The key is to arrive early. Purchase your tickets online, and try to be in line by 7:30 as the park opens at 8:00 AM, and the quota of entrants fills up fast.

Admission
\$6 per vehicle (two to eight people).
\$4 single-occupant vehicle.

Along with the manatees, we will find other wildlife and Florida landscapes to shoot. Bring a zoom lens and your polarizing filter.

For lunch we can head to the Swamp House Riverfront Grill at 488 W. Highbanks Road, DeBary 32713, it's on the way back to Orlando.

Please RSVP to fieldtrips@orlandocameraclub.com

Hope to see you there!
Rita



Donald Kratt
Chad Byerly
Kim Byerly



MONDAY, March 28th at 6:30pm

Evaluating and Working with Light in Landscape Photography



Join San Luis Obispo, CA based professional landscape and nature photographer **Nic Stover** as he talks about Not too Heavy, Not too Light.....Just right.....Light.

The word "photography" literally means "drawing with light" from the Greek words phos, (genitive: phōtós) meaning "light", and graphê meaning "drawing or writing". There are so many ways to think about the different types of light within our photography and

what we can do with what we get in the field but also when we get back in front of our computer to process our images we "harvested" in the field.

These topics we will review will help you to evaluate what images we might want to select for our portfolios, see some simple ways to correct minor distractions in post and give you greater confidence to express yourself in new ways and to work with light differently.

In this presentation Nic will talk about how the most important thing in photography is you and how you look through the light harvester (IE the camera) and the choices and decisions you make on how to collect the light that is falling in front of you onto your subjects of choice. Nic doesn't have mastery of light nor the power to control it but he will talk about what he CAN control is how he reacts to the light he is given, not the light he wants, but the light he is given. Nic considers the science and study of light to be one of our most important pursuits in photography. This presentation will increase your understanding of how to work with light.

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEtcuqupjltH9Q9WzMX1KptNxxjSPKRE1X81>

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Some of the topics covered in this presentation include but are not limited to.

1. New ways to think about light.
2. Discovering how we view light vs how our camera (light harvester) views light.
3. Exploring how the viewers eye moves through your images from the warms and cools to the brights and darks.
4. Discover the true value of light in our images.
5. Learn how do photographers describe and talk about light.
6. Further your understanding of the ways in which light interacts with our scenes.
7. Develop the skills so you can you most effectively use light in your images.
8. Find new ways you can break out of your normal mode of working with light.





Orange Audubon Society's
2022 (34rd Annual)
Kit and Sidney Chertok
**Florida Native Nature Photography
Contest**

OBJECTIVES:

To promote interest and concern for preserving the native fauna and flora of Florida, and to encourage nature photography and enjoyment and appreciation of our natural wonders.

CONTEST THEME: Florida Native Nature

Photograph the amazing Florida native plants, animals, landscapes and habitats of Florida. Help to raise awareness to protect Florida's biological diversity.

THREE CONTEST DIVISIONS:

Novice – Open to new and less experienced photo hobbyists of all ages.

Advanced – Open to experienced photographers of all ages who have practiced and honed their skills over time.

Youth – Open to all photographers 17 years of age or younger as of the entry deadline.

ELIGIBILITY: Open to all photographers. However, Orange Audubon Society board members and Chertok contest committee members are not eligible to participate.

ENTRY DEADLINE for ALL entries: April 21, 2022

More Information:

http://orangeaudubonfl.org/oas_chertok.html



Florida's Birding & Photo Fest
St. Augustine, Florida

The Florida's Birding & Photo Fest has gained international acclaim among nature lovers and photography enthusiasts, with attendance growing every year. Headquartered at Celebration Hall at St. Anastasia on St. Augustine Beach, the event runs from Wednesday, April 20, 2022 to Sunday, April 24, 2022, and features some 130 events, classes, and outdoor excursions this year.

Each day is jam-packed with activities, with a variety of field workshops on birding and nature photography clinics. The nature tours this year include sunrise and sunset outdoor adventures and everything in between. Specialized tours are offered on area parks and beaches, on boat and kayak tours, and nature tours in several of the area's beautiful state and county parks.

While the dates have been firmed up for 2022, the actual classes and schedule of events have not been finalized. The event will have a number of photography classes that will range from beginners-level to professional techniques, and attendees can be assured that a number of speakers will be presenting their knowledge during the days of the event.



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Happy February Everyone!

I wanted to share the latest info about programs and other exciting happenings at Hunt's!

-New product alert: Hunt's Photo now has access to live streaming products from Resi.io! "Resi is the most reliable live video streaming platform available today! Stream despite complete internet outages without losing any data." Use the link below for more details and email me if you are interested in any of their products!
<https://resi.io/>

-Free upcoming virtual webinars:

-March 3rd - Making a Connection with Your Photos by Ian Plant
https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_sa7Ok_sLQ8OobNVJZfAzBg



-March 16th - More Than the Eye can See: an Introduction to Astrophotography by Liron Gertsman
https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_RCs3_5UgSuKGUWbTek9yMQ



Upcoming Hunt's Photo Adventures

Joshua Tree National Park (with Bob Fletcher & Jeff Swinger):

<https://edu.huntsphoto.com/joshua-tree-national-park/>

Sun, September 18th - Sat, September 24th, 2022
Desc- Dark night skies, a rich cultural history, and surreal geologic features add to the wonder of this vast wilderness in southern California. Join special guest instructors Bob Fletcher and Jeff Swinger on a photographic journey to this incredible location!



Moab and Arches National Park, Utah (with Bob Fletcher & Jeff Swinger):

<https://edu.huntsphoto.com/moab/>

Saturday, October 29th – Friday, November 4th, 2022
Desc: Located in Eastern Utah is the small town of Moab. The landscape here embodies the look and feel of the American West. Given its location between Arches National Park and Canyonlands National Park, Moab is a prime destination for all levels of photographers. These areas, as well as others, will provide our group with dramatic landscapes featuring bold, red rock formations and stunning light that shapes the land in a mystical way.



-Lastly, Hunt's Photo buys and sells used equipment! If you are in the market for any new equipment and looking to save a little money, email me and I can offer you 15% OFF any used equipment we have in stock. Also if you have any old equipment you are looking to trade in, send me a list of what you have and we can work up a quote for you! -Noah Buchanan
(781) 462-2356 nbuchanan@huntsphoto.com



Virtual Conference Tickets

FCCC Members: \$99

Non-Members: \$119

* All Tickets are Non-Refundable. All conference sessions will be accessible for 30 days after the conference.



March 9-10, 2022

Virtual Conference

Speaker Sessions

Join FCCC for our virtual conference featuring a variety of fabulous speakers ready to impart their knowledge to you in the comfort of your own home! This year's line up of speaker is sure to be a hit. With both live and pre-recorded sessions that will be available to you for 30 days after the conference, you can experience every bit of it!

Demo Sessions

Learn about the latest equipment and tools to have in your photography arsenal! These thirty minute demo sessions will let you get a closer look at a variety of items that could help take your photography to the next level!

Image Credits:

Top Row from Left to Right: Charles Needle, Jackie Kramer, John Gregor, Mike Matthews, Rob Sylvan
Second Row from Left to Right: Deborah Sandidge, Shiv Verma, Rinzi Ruiz, Liron Gertsman, Jim LaSala
Bottom Row from Left to Right: Emilie Talpin, Jim Koepnick, Ray Hennessey, Jonathan Thorpe, Vinny Colucci




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LOCAL EVENTS AND PHOTO OPS

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AEROSPACE EXPO

APRIL 5-10 2022
LAKELAND, FL

TICKET INFORMATION
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SILVER SPURS RODEO

148th Silver Spurs Rodeo

Friday, February 18, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, February 19, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, February 20, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.



One of Osceola County's longest and most treasured traditions is the Silver Spurs Rodeo. Hosted every 3rd weekend in February, this event features all seven traditional rodeo events: bull riding, saddle bronc riding, bareback riding, steer wrestling, team roping, tie-down roping, and barrel racing. In between all the rodeo action, there will be an act by the rodeo clown and our famous and fast Silver Spurs Quadrille team, who perform a square dance on horseback. Well known as one of the best indoor rodeos of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA), the Silver Spurs Rodeo in February draws contestants from all over the nation and many national champions to compete for \$50,000 in prize money.

BENTO Dragon Parade
Lunch New Year

Dragon Parade begins at Lake Highland Jr and H. Mills Ave, and ends at 120 N. Thomas Ave Parking lot
Mills 50 District

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