## October 2023



# The Viewpoint

Letter from the President

**Events for October 2023** 

Greetings Members,

So many exciting things happening as the Holidays grow close.

We have signs of fall popping up, leaves changing colors and our days getting shorter.

I encourage you to take time and capture the brilliant colors mother nature has to offer.

#### **Events for October 2023**

Saturday, October 14th- Art in the Garden Open house. All the Artist's buildings will be open from 11am till 4pm. It is asked that each building follow the theme of the day. Since Metroparks is not having Trunk or Treat this year the village arts agreed to incorporate a Halloween theme. Suggestions are if you are hosting to dress up in a costume, pass out little treats (we have a large bucket of DUMDUM suckers that we can distribute. If we run out of candy it is ok. **Studio Group** will be doing a fun session involving decorating and doing portraits in a Halloween theme. We have Maggie, our club mannequin has agreed to participate this year as a mummy. We will need volunteer greeters to be in the club house11-4pm. Please consider wearing some sort of costume during hosting. Please let me know if you are interested. Phone call or text at 419-283-4616 after 6pm If you're interested in participating in the Studio Group. Email jdillion356@aol.com

October Studio Group-Saturday Oct. 14th at 10am will be meeting and doing a fun and festive theme. We will be setting up a haunted house backdrop and props, photographing portraits for a spooktacular good time. RSVP to <a href="mailto:jdillon356@aol.com">jdillon356@aol.com</a>.

## Michele Kipplen

First Place Basic Assignment



First Place intermediate Assignment



First Place Advanced Assignment



## **Events for Heralding The Holidays-**

This year we have decided NOT to provide sweets and beverages in our clubhouse because of the outside food venders that participate. We want to respect these vendors. Every year at multiple events the food vendors give of their time and cost to be at the artists events and do not charge to come. We appreciate them always being flexible and supportive of our events.

So, since the gift card raffle was a big success last year it has been suggested we continue this raffle. If you have gift cards you would like to donate, please let Wennie Anderson Wennieanderson120@gmail.com know via email of your interest in donating gifts cards.

It's also a perfect time to display your works in the club house during the event. If you would like to bring art in for display or for purchase the club house will be open on, Nov. 11th 11am-4pm, Nov.3oth 4pm till 8pm. Please reach out to Michele Kipplen michelekipplen@gmail.com if you have any questions or plan to drop off works.

## Heralding the Holidays Work Day – Thursday, November 30th 4pm till 8pm

We will be decorating the club house for the event. Those interested in helping with set up please reach out to Wennie Anderson. The duties include but are not limited to, decorating Christmas tree, hanging art, assembling the panels for displaying framed art. Filling buckets for path luminaries.

If you are unable to come to work day, how about volunteering for the various time slots as a greeter. Wennie is accepting volunteers for Friday, Dec. 1, Sat. Dec. 2 and Sun. Dec 3rd. Contact Wennie to get your first pick of time slot. Wennieanderson120@gmail.com

**Family Portraits-** We have an opportunity to set up a portrait station during Heralding the Holidays. The space is at Unruly Arts Studio.

Before we commit to their space we need to know if club members are interested in assisting with the sessions. During Heralding the Holidays visitors can come and have their photo taken by a member of Photo Arts Club.

We would need volunteers to sign up to take photos, greet visitors and get their contact info from them.

Anyone interested contact John Dillon by email at jdillon356@aol.com

# **Great Smoky Mountains Workshops October 11-14, 2023**

New PACT member, <u>Ben Ayling</u> is teaming up with Atlanta-based landscape and nature photographer <u>Thomas Yackley</u> to lead a photo workshop in the Great Smoky Mountains. Both are award-winning photographers and career educators. Ben and Tom recently traveled together for a 25-day photo trip to Alaska and spent 11 days in the Rocky Mountains National Park this April. Check out their webpages by clicking their names above.

Join us as we photograph the beauty of the Great Smoky Mountains, the most popular of America's National Parks for a reason! We'll photograph intimate landscapes and great vistas, from streams, cascades, and overlooks to historic buildings.

https://www.thomasyackley.com/workshops-and-classes



# 2023 Event Schedule Indiana Rail Experience Submitted by Anna Koperczak

Dates, venues, prices, and trip details are subject to change. Ticket sale dates for events July – September and September – December are to be announced.

Diesel-powered train rides departing Angola, Indiana. Tickets start at \$15.00.

#### OCTOBER 7th & 8th – INIANA FALL COLOR TRAIN

All-day steam excursions departing Pleasant Lake for Hillsdale. Tickets start at \$99.00.

#### OCTOBER 14th & 15th - MICHIGAN FALL COLOR TRAIN



Steam & diesel excursion departing Hillsdale for Angola. Tickets start at \$99.00.

#### **NOVEMBER 24th-26th - CHRISTMAS CABOOSE RIDES**

Traditional diesel-powered Christmas train rides and group charters aboard Santa's caboose in New Haven, Indiana. Tickets start at \$10.00.

#### DECEMBER 8TH-10th - INDIANA SANTA TRAIN

Diesel-powered holiday excursions and events departing Pleasant Lake. Tickets start at \$35.00.

#### DECEMBER 15TH - 17th - INDIANA SANTA TRAIN

Diesel-powered holiday train excursions and events departing Pleasant Lake. Tickets start at c <u>Fort</u> <u>Wayne Railroad Historical Society</u> and the <u>Indiana Northeastern Railroad Company</u>. Dates, venues, and trip details are subject to change as needed.

#### **Commitees**

The **Studio Group** is meeting on Saturday October 14th. We will facilitate the outdoor "Selfie Photo" backdrop, and host the photo display inside the clubhouse. We need one peron to work the backdrop outside, and at least one person inside. An additional person to work as relief would also be desirable. Please let John Dillon know if you will attend. <a href="mailto:jdillon356@aol.com">jdillon356@aol.com</a>

**Lightroom group** will meet on Monday, Oct 16th at 7:30 pm via Zoom. We will be revisiting the masking tools in Lightroom Classic, particularly using add, subtract and intersect to create more refinement.

The Getting Started with Lightroom Classic will meet again on October 23rd at 7pm via Zoom for Part 3. We will continue exploring the editing options in Lightroom.

Charlie Mather

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## **Improving Your Photography**

I want to thank the IYP Committee for doing a great job educating the community and new members. I stopped by during one of the sessions and was amazed at the number of people filling the club house.

## Michele Kipplen





## **Membership:**

We have 71 members, 2 of which are in the grace period.

## **Membership renewals:**

Ross Ellet, Margie Langenderfer, Jamese Valentine, Zelig Lindemann, Dave McCanna, Doug Frosch

#### **New Members:**

Isaiah Miller, Jessica Drouillard, Shelly Drouillard

**Monthly contest:** The September monthly contest had 38 entries from 13 members. The assignment was Arches. The October competitions are open, the assignment is Waterfalls.

Competition assignments:

November – Barn(s) old or new. This is a print competition in the clubhouse.

December – Trees

January-Weather, Clouds, Lightening, Rain, Wind, and or Snow

## **September Monthly Contest**

Competition Title	Level	Image Title	Author's Name	Awards
September Assignment, Arch(es)	Basic	Sunrise at Mesa Arch	Robert May	
		light the way (002)	Sandy Mercurio	Honorable Mention
		Sunset on Delicate Arch	Robert May	3rd
		little princess (002)	Sandy Mercurio	2nd
		Double Arch	Robert May	1st
	Intermediate	Historic Tecumseh Home	Wennie Anderson	
		Fallen Arch	Kathy Fisher	
		Lake Lure Flowering Bridge	Micah Maziar	
		Whats Behind the Red Door	Wennie Anderson	
		Cement Bridge - McCourtie Park	Wennie Anderson	Honorable Mention
		Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque Through the Arches	Haley MacRitchie	3rd
		Pictured Rocks Arch	Kathy Fisher	2nd
		Gateway	Micah Maziar	1st
	Advanced	Hudson,OH	Ben Anderson	
		elizabeth park wyandotte, mi	Ben Anderson	
		Window Arch at City of Rocks National Reserve, Idaho	Anna Koperczak	
		'Grand' arches	Jack Myers	
		Arch at First Light	Ben Ayling	
		Heritage Methodist Church - Ligonier PA	Charlie Mather	Honorable Mention
		Double Arch Playground	Ben Ayling	3rd
		Holy arches	Jack Myers	2nd
		Rosary Cathedral	Charlie Mather	1st
September Open	Basic	funky flowers	Sandy Mercurio	1st
	Intermediate	Grand Mosque of Abu Dhabi from the Courtyard	Haley MacRitchie	Honorable Mention
		Casa Mila Spain Arch	Haley MacRitchie	3rd
		Mountain Lake	Kathy Fisher	2nd
		Summer Dahlia	Micah Maziar	1st
	Advanced	Strolling	Charlie Mather	
		Vestrahorn and a moody morning	Mariano de Miguel	
		Snowy Petunia	Anna Koperczak	
		Rocky Shoreline	Anna Koperczak	
		Monarch on Purple Loosestrife	Ben Ayling	
		After The Storm	Ross Ellet	
		Round And Round We Go	Ross Ellet	Honorable Mention
		Hornsvik Bay and the fleeing ghosts	Mariano de Miguel	3rd
		Jökulsárlón and the midnight sun	Mariano de Miguel	2nd
		Who Rules the Root?	Jack Myers	2nd
		Storm Chaser	Ross Ellet	1st
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## How to Photograph Waterfalls Sources

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dNUJmFYLhWU
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gs9JAixt4To
- <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hm3T69AJ50w">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hm3T69AJ50w</a>
- <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HZYXdLRuRI8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HZYXdLRuRI8</a>
- https://www.digitalphotomentor.com/waterfall-photography-tips/
- 6 tips are included in this online tutorial.
- Essential equipment Tripod with a remote trigger, ND filters
- Create a focal point. Use sharp focus for that focal point.
- Camera Settings
- The best time of day
- Best tips for shooting in bright sunlight
- How to get something different than the usual kind of waterfall shots.

## Other sources of online tutoring are:

https://photographycourse.net/how-to-photograph-waterfalls/

## How to Photograph Waterfall Books from Amazon

 $\underline{https://www.amazon.com/Beginners-Guide-Waterfall-Photography-Book-ebook/dp/BooD96TMWE/ref=sr\ 1\ 3?}$ 

 $\underline{crid=2XABDB6JFETH6\&keywords=waterfall+photography\&qid=1696029965\&s=books\&sprefix=waterfall+photography\%2Cstripbooks\%2C66\&sr=1-3$ 

https://amazon.com/Waterfalls-Waves-Comprehensive-Long-Exposure-Photography/dp/0998261300/ref=sr\_1\_6?

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https://www.amazon.com/Modern-Photographers-Guide-Shooting-Waterfalls/dp/1496193628/ref=sr\_1\_9? crid=2XABDB6JFETH6&keywords=waterfall+photography&qid=1696030130&s=books&sprefix=waterfall+photography%2Cstripbooks%2C66&sr=1-9

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**NEO Waterfalls** Most of the waterfalls in North East Ohio that I have seen occur on streams that are flowing north as the water falls from the Allegheny Plateau over the Portage Escarpment to the Lake Plain. This means that lighting can be tricky in photographing the falls due to the back-lighting effect through much of the day. Still, there are many waterfall gems in the area. Here is a sampling of some of them along with links to webpages with more information about the parks and how to get to them. **Elizabeth Mather** Lake County Ohio – Lake Metroparks

- Paine Falls in <u>Paine Falls Park http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/paine-falls-park</u> Impressive falls just a short walk (down hill/stairs) from the parking lot.
- <u>Chair Factory Falls</u> Along the Greenway, I recommend parking at the <u>Old Stone Schoolhouse http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/paine-falls</u>-parkand using the access trail to get to the Greenway.

  Alternatively, if you will be visiting <u>Jordan Creek Park http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/jordan-creek-park</u> too, you can park there and walk the Greenway Trail to the Chair Factory Falls Trail from there. History hikes to these falls are offered occasionally through Lake Metroparks Parks Plus Programs.
- Hogback Ridge Park <a href="http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/hogback-ridge-park">http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/hogback-ridge-park</a>
- small cascades along trail along Bluebell Valley Path trail o This park has some lovely rapids and small cascades that
  can be seen by walking the natural surface Bluebell Vally Path trail. This park also has a rentable cabin if you are
  looking for a place to stay while you visit.
- Hell Hollow Wilderness Area, http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/hell-hollow-wilderness-area
- off trail through an undeveloped section of the park. Most of this park is left wild and undeveloped. I have not hiked off the trail at the end of the Wildcat Trail to see the waterfalls along this stream, but I've heard great things about them. Guided off-trail hikes are offered occasionally through Lake Metroparks Parks Plus Programs –
- <u>Hidden Valley Park</u> <u>http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/hidden-valley-park</u>
- The waterfalls are actually on private property adjacent to park property if you continue beyond the end of the River Breeze Trail on a tributary to the Grand River. Note, you would be trespassing on private property to visit these falls, but the locals regularly do so and the falls are beautiful
- Baker Road Park <a href="http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/baker-road-park">http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/baker-road-park</a> hard to see the waterfalls, but may be photo-worthy on the right day, perhaps during leaf-off times. The falls can be seen to the west of the trail where some benches and a fence are installed (before you head down the steep hill to the Grand River) [Approximate coordinates for viewing the falls: -81.119 41.734]
- Jordan Creek ,<a href="http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/jordan-creek-park">http://www.lakemetroparks.com/parks-trails/jordan-creek-park</a> The rapids/small falls along Jordan Creek can be seen from the bridge on the Research Station Loop Trail. This park is also adjacent to the Greenway Trail and access to Chair Factory Falls can be made by parking here and walking the Greenway access trail to the Greenway and then north to the Chair Factory Falls trail.
- Little-known falls within Cuyahoga County, Ohio
- Cleveland Heights Forest Hills Park part at the Clev. Heights Recreation Center. <a href="https://chparks.com/">https://chparks.com/</a>
- This park actually falls both within Cleveland Heights and East Cleveland. The waterfalls are on the southern end of
  the park within Cleveland Heights and the best place to park to see them is at the Cleveland Heights Recreation
  Center. The 3 cascades can be seen along the section of stream labeled Dugway Brook on this trail map Shaker
  Heights
- Doan Brook Gorge <a href="https://www.freshwatercleveland.com/breaking-ground/DoanGorge100318.aspx">https://www.freshwatercleveland.com/breaking-ground/DoanGorge100318.aspx</a>
- along Doan Brook, Fairhill Rd. Rockefeller Park Near intersection of Kemper Rd. and Fairhill Rd.

#### Other Ohio Waterfalls

Amphitheater Falls <a href="http://www.naturalohioadventures.com/">http://www.naturalohioadventures.com/</a>
<a href="mailto:amphitheater-falls-ohio-.html">amphitheater-falls-ohio-.html</a>
 Clifton Gorge State Nature Preserve, 2381 State Route 343, Yellow Springs, OH 45387

Great Falls <a href="https://www.gowaterfalling.com/waterfalls/">https://www.gowaterfalling.com/waterfalls/</a> tinkersgreatfalls.shtml Willis St. Tinker's Creek, Bedford, OH 44264

Mill Creek Falls <a href="https://www.gowaterfalling.com/waterfalls/">https://www.gowaterfalling.com/waterfalls/</a> millcreek.shtml

Ludwig Falls Covington Avenue, village of Ludlow Falls, Ohio

Lanterman's Mill https://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/visit/places/mill-creek-park/lantermans-mill/

1001 Canfield Rd. (SR 62) Youngstown, OH 44511

Brandywine Falls is currently closed.

Buttermilk Falls 2001 West Boston Mills Road, Brecksville, Ohio

Hocking Hills 19852 OH-664, Logan, Ohio Many waterfalls.

Chagrin Waterfalls Main Street Bridge, Waypoint: 41. 43111N 81. 3925W, Chagrin Falls, OH

Honey Run Waterfall 11416 Hazel Dell Rd

Indian Run Falls 700 Shawan Falls Dr

Find your favorite waterfall and submit it to this months contest!

## **Michigan Waterfalls**

Water Falls of Michigan. Library Book from Toledo Lucas County Library

Main Adult 917.74

# **Equipment for Sale**

Used Canon EF 100-400 II IS in very good condition. More pictures available. \$1000.

Jack Myers <u>Jrmyers@roadrunner.com</u>







## For Sale (Continued)

Jeanne Govert, a former PACT member, posted to the club email, She has the following equipment for sale. If interested, please email her at <a href="mailto:jkgovert@gmail.com">jkgovert@gmail.com</a>

Panasonic Lumix camera - battery charger, book Model # DM-FZ70

Canon EOS 30D – camera, book, 2 chargers, 28-8- mm Ultrasonic lens, cables, chips, filter lens, Canon 300EZ Speedlight

Panasonic Digital Camcorder – Mini DV Digital 6, PV-DV910, book, chargers, Blank

DV tape, Tamarac camera case (holds all the above)

XENVO Truview 0.45 wide angle lens – Clarus 15x Macro Lens for iPhone

Assorted lenses for iPhone – Macro, zoom, fisheye, wide angle, clip, carrying case

Vivatar Auto thyristor 283 Flash unit

Vivatar Soft Light/bouncer diffuser kit

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For more information about the happenings or Zoom links to the meetings please check out the website.

https://www.photoartscluboftoledo.com/club/clubschedules.aspx.