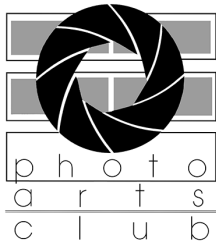


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June 2023



# The Viewpoint

From the President

Greetings Club Members,

Hopefully, you have been enjoying the warmer weather. We have started off our summer season with the May Sale held on May 12th & 13th. It was well received. We had foot traffic of 237 people come through our doors.

We had a small display of works on our walls and a few sleeves full of printed and matted photographs.

If you have not seen the photos check out the link below of the Annual May Sale;

<https://www.michelekipplenphotography.com/proofing/may-sale-2023?bec=1>

Here is a list of the upcoming summer events that we are going to need volunteers for: If you are interested in more information about these events contact Michele Kipplen at 419-283-4616.

## Summer Events

June 11th – Marble Mania- The Glass Blowers need photos taken of their Marble blowing and Marble Game.



June 17th Rose Show- Need photographers to take photos of the Society preparing the Roses for judging.



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First place  
intermediate  
assignment



© Wennie Anderson



© Kathy Fisher

First Place  
Advanced



© Jack Myers

## **Summer Events** (continued)

July 8th Chalk Art Walk- various events will be held in the village and need photographers to photograph some of the art and the public interacting creating works of chalk art. Starts at 10am

### **Open House Events-**

The 2nd Saturday of each month the Artists Village will be open to the public from 10am till 4pm.

Each of the clubhouses have agreed to be open and to supply activities, tours, and demonstrations of each of their organizations.

The Photo Arts Club has the studio group in the clubhouse on this same Saturday, we just wanted to make members aware that the public could stop in for a visit and to remind members to please welcome our visitors. We never know where our next member may learn about us.

Metroparks has agreed to add the Open house events to their community calendar and the Metroparks newsletter.

So, we are looking for members to assist in shifts to welcome visitors in the afternoons after the studio group is finished. The hours are Noon till 4pm. We prefer that there are two volunteers available.

June 10th- Noon till 4pm

July 8th – Noon till 4pm- Theme is Chalk Walk Art- There will be chalk artists and stations around the club house for the community to create works of art on the sidewalks. More details to come.



## **Board Members**

### **Additional news:**

I would like to welcome the following **Board Members** for 2023- 2024

President- Michele Kipplen

Vice President- Ross Ellet

Secretary– Carolyn Ford

Treasurer- Michele Ross ( Mickey)

Past President—Wennie Anderson

**Board Members-** Charlie Mather

Mary Mather

Laurie Dietrich

Donna Gottschalk

The contact information for board members is available at the end of the Viewpoint.

Committee Chairpersons- All these committees below could use an assistant chair. If you are interested please reach out to the respective members listed.

**Membership/ Monthly Contest Chair-** Jack Myers  
([jmyers@roadrunner.com](mailto:jmyers@roadrunner.com))

**Newsletter-Mary Mather** ([mmather@toast2.net](mailto:mmather@toast2.net))

**Studio Group-** John Dillon ([jdillon356@aol.com](mailto:jdillon356@aol.com))

**Lightroom-** Charlie Mather ([matherc@yahoo.com](mailto:matherc@yahoo.com))

**Education Chair seat is still open**

**Annual Contest Chair-**Charlie Mather ([matherc@yahoo.com](mailto:matherc@yahoo.com))

**Heralding Holidays-** Wennie Anderson ([wennieanderson120@gmail.com](mailto:wennieanderson120@gmail.com))

**We have a volunteer to take over the position of Secretary.**  
**Carolyn Ford**

**Michele Kipplen** ([michelekipplen@gmail.com](mailto:michelekipplen@gmail.com) )

## 2023 Garden Events — **Items in Bold We Participate In**

\*Artists clubhouses are closed during Jazz in the Garden events.

Crosby Arts Fest is yet to be scheduled

### May Dates:

**May Sale: May 12 10am-8pm**

**May 13 10am-4pm**

### June Dates:

**Saturday June 17, 2023 1:30 - 6:00 Rose Show**

**Sunday June 18, 2023 10:00 - 4:00 Rose Show**

### July Dates:

Thursday July 6, 2023, 6:30 **Jazz In The Garden**

Saturday July 8, 2023, 12:00– 4:00 **Chalk Walk**

Thursday July 13, 2023, 6:30 **Jazz In The Garden**

Sunday July 20, 2023 1:00 - 4:00 Hosta Festival

Thursday July 27, 2023 , 6:30 **Jazz In The Garden**

### August Dates:

**Thursday, Aug 3, 6:30 Jazz In The Garden**

Thursday , August 10, 2023 6:30 **Jazz In The Garden**

**Saturday August 12, 2023 11:00-4:00 Art In The Garden**

Thursday, August 17, 2023 6:30 **Jazz In The Garden**

Thursday, August 24, 2023 6:30 **Jazz In The Garden**

Thursday, August 31, 2023 ,6:30 **Jazz In The Garden**

### September Dates:

Thursday, September 7, 2023 6:30 **Jazz In The Garden**

### December Dates:

Friday December 1, 2023 4:00-8:00 **Heralding The Holidays**

Saturday December 2, 2023 10:00-5:00 **Heralding The Holidays**

Sunday December 3, 2023 11:00-4:00 **Heralding The Holidays**

## **Scavenger Hunt Coming in August**

### **Photo Shoot on June 3**

We will have another opportunity to shoot the sunset on the Maumee River from the Grand Rapids railroad bridge on **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**. We will board the 'people' carts at 8:30 PM for the 9:00 PM sunset. The cost is \$10 per person, tripods are allowed. Jack will send out an email in a few weeks asking for people to sign up. We may be limited on space, I'll know that by the next email. We have invited the Toledo Camera Club and Topics Camera Club to join us. This picture from an earlier trip is by Jerry Lohman.



### **Photo Shoot on June 8th**

June 8th at 6:30p is a photowalk at 577 Foundation in Perrysburg along the river.

### **Photo Shoot on July 30th**

Toledo Photo walk starting at 8am. Details to follow in July Viewpoint.



# Great Smoky Mountains Workshops

## October 11-14, 2023

New PACT member, [Ben Ayling](#) is teaming up with Atlanta-based landscape and nature photographer [Thomas Yackley](#) to lead two photo workshops 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 will spend 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>

	<p><b>Great Smoky Mountains Landscape Photography Workshop</b></p> 	
<p>Led by award-winning photographers and educators <b>Thomas Yackley and Ben Ayling!</b></p> 	<p><b>May 10-13, 2023</b> or <b>October 11-14</b> (with optional elk add-on 10/15)</p> <p>For more info and to register, go to <a href="https://www.thomasyackley.com/workshops-and-classes">https://www.thomasyackley.com/workshops-and-classes</a></p>	

## 2023 Event Schedule Indiana Rail Experience

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

### **JUNE 17th – DONUTS & DADS TRAIN and SUMMER BBQ TRAIN**

Steam-powered train rides departing Angola, Indiana during Father's Day weekend. Tickets start at \$15.00 for Donuts & Dads and \$75.00 for the Summer BBQ Train.

### **JUNE 18th – TRI-STATE SCENIC EXCURSION**

All-day, roundtrip steam excursion between Edon, Ohio, and Hillsdale, Michigan on Father's Day. Tickets start at \$99.00.

### **JUNE 24th – ICE CREAM TRAINS**

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

### **JULY 7th & 8th – WINE & CHOCOLATE TRAIN**

Diesel-powered train rides departing Angola for passengers 21-and-over. Tickets start at \$75.00.

### **JULY 13th – 15th – INDIANA RAIL CAMP**

Immersive, three-day railroad skills and educational camp for young adults to develop their passions and skills, and for scouts to earn their Railroad Merit Badge. Camp admission and registration TBA.

### **JULY 15th – WINE & WHISKEY TRAIN**

Steam-powered train ride departing Angola for passengers 21-and-over. Tickets start at \$75.00.

### **JULY 16th – ICE CREAM TRAINS**

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

### **JULY 29th & 30th – RAILROAD OPEN HOUSE**

Featuring Little River Railroad, Gramling Locomotive Works, and Nickel Plate Road no. 765. Admission is free. Ticket prices TBA.

### **JULY 19th – SOUTH MILFORD MEMORIAL DEDICATION TRAIN**

Steam train ride departing South Milford, Indiana. Ticket price TBA.

### **AUGUST 20th – TAILS, ALES & RAILS**

Train rides for good dogs and their owners departing Pleasant Lake, Indiana. Tickets are \$45.00.

### **OCTOBER 7th & 8th – INDIANA 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 \$35.00.

*The Indiana Rail Experience is a partnership between the [Fort Wayne Railroad Historical Society](#) and the [Indiana Northeastern Railroad Company](#). Dates, venues, and trip details are subject to change as needed.*

## Education Nights

Previous presentations from Steve Stalker, Michele Kipplen, Donna Gottschalk and Kelly Chalfant are available on the Website.

**Jack Myers and Charlie Mather** conducted an Education Night on May 11<sup>th</sup>. It was a critique night via Zoom. Members submitted 1-2 jpeg photos to either Charlie ([matherc@yahoo.com](mailto:matherc@yahoo.com)) or Jack ([jrmyers@roadrunner.com](mailto:jrmyers@roadrunner.com)). They reviewed them together, and used Lightroom to make some suggested changes. In the past, members have used the suggested changes and submitted the photo in a contest.

### Future Education Nights

Airborne and Static Airshow Photography date to be announced

Further dates and topics for education nights to be announced.

1st place  
intermediate open



1st Place Advanced Open





## Improve Your Photography

Improve Your Photography: June 20th is the first of 5 IYP classes. If you want to go beyond snapshots these classes are for you. You are shown how to set your camera to control depth of field, fast and slow shutter speeds and the results they produce. If you are interested there is more information on our website.



## Resources for Photographing Roses

<https://www.gardeningknowhow.com/garden-how-to/projects/photographing-flowers.htm>

<https://rosaholics.com/blogs/rosaholics-bloggers/how-to-take-photos-of-flowers>

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=WxBOdXBjLUc>

From Anna Koperczak

## Frozen Flower Photography

What is Frozen Flower photography?

•A single rose, completely frozen after being positioned vertically in a glass cup. As water freezes, oxygen is squeezed out of the flower, leaving beautiful trails in the ice. Frozen flower photography is a super simple way to give your floral images a unique edge .

<https://www.bevleaross.com.au/frozen-flower-photography/>

<https://digital-photography-school.com/photography-frozen-flowers/>

## Close-up photos of flowers

The only true way of getting **close-up**, high quality flower photos, is by using a specialized macro lens (50mm to 200mm). Macro lenses uncover details that would be impossible to detect with the unaided eye and give a new, interesting perspective on the subjects. **Close-ups** of petals and buds of the flower, or water droplets can jump out of the page.

## **Close –up Photography of Flowers (continued)**

You can crop the image afterwards (but do remember, if you crop in heavily you will be removing pixels from the image which will affect its quality). Make your close-up photographs more dramatic by filling the frame with a single colour or texture of a plant. Capture distinct characteristics of your plants to portray personality.

Remember: Macro is not the same as a close-up shot. The picture below is a close-up not a macro shot. Macro means you're taking super close-ups of objects at 1:1. So the size of the image on your sensor is equal to the size of the item you're photographing in real life.

<https://www.creative-photographer.com/close-up-flower-photos/>

<https://www.exposureguide.com/flower-photography-tips/>



**Membership:** There are currently 68 members, 38 are competing, 1 member is in the grace period.

**Membership Renew:**

Doug Frosch

Anna Koperczak

**Returning Member:**

Tom Thorpe

**New Members:**

Mychail Scheramic

Addison Sparks

**Monthly Contest:** The May monthly contest was a digital contest and had 27 entries from 9 members . The assignment was Glass in any form or function . The June contest is open for entries. The assignment is Depth of Field, show f stop, in or out of focus, Bokah.

**Competition assignments:**

June-Depth of Field Show F stop in or out of focus Bokan

July-Street Photography

August-Macro Shot

September—Arches

October-Waterfall(s)

Title	Level	Image Title	Last Name	First Name	Award
Assignment	Basic	trying something new 2	Shull	Susan	3rd
		Trying something new	Shull	Susan	2nd
		I See Four	Shull	Susan	1st
	Intermediate	A Cold One	Maziar	Micah	Honorable Mention
		Blue Glass in Gardens	Anderson	Wennie	3rd
		Ball Mason Jars	Anderson	Wennie	2nd
		Village Glass Blower	Anderson	Wennie	1st
		Tower Through the Glass	Fisher	Kathy	1st
	Advanced	Reflection	Boesel	Chris	Honorable Mention
		Glass, Light, and Shadows	Ayling	Ben	3rd
		Simplicity	Boesel	Chris	2nd
		Ornament	Walles	Jeff	2nd
		Chihuli, Balls in a Boat	Myers	Jack	1st
Open	Intermediate	On The March	Fisher	Kathy	2nd
		Spring in the Mountains	Fisher	Kathy	2nd
		Iridescence	Maziar	Micah	1st
	Advanced	Formation 1864	Walles	Jeff	3rd
		Sunday morning	Myers	Jack	2nd
		Russet-crowned Motmot	Ayling	Ben	1st



## **For Sale or Free**

### **For sale, \$25**

Lexar Professional CFexpress Type B USB 3.2 Gen 2x2 Card Reader,

includes 2-in-1 USB Type-C to Type-C and Type-C to Type-A Cable (11.8" / 30cm)

Transfer up to 20 Gb/s using USB 3.2 Gen 2x2

This photo from the internet, I used the card reader twice.

Jack Myers [jrm Myers@roadrunner.com](mailto:jrm Myers@roadrunner.com)



### **Free**

### **Available For Free in Clubhouse**

Ben Anderson is donating to club members photographic equipment he received from a deceased former member of the Monroe Camera Club. It is available in the clubhouse for anyone who sees something they want.

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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>.