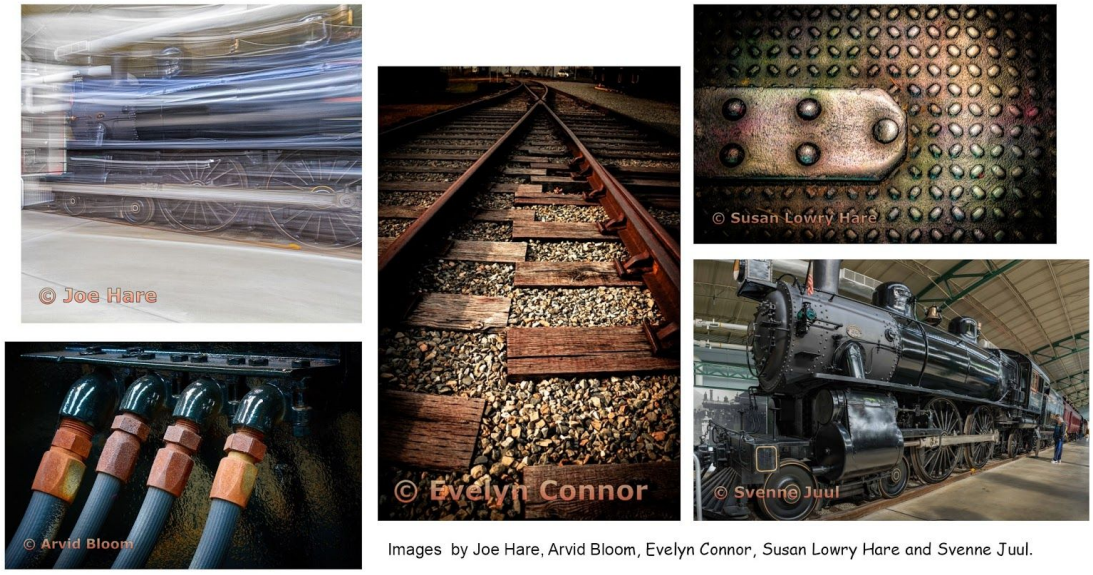
Chester County Camera Club

a community of photographers

January 2020 Newsletter

All Aboard! Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania

CCCC members took a ride to Strasburg to enjoy a morning of photographing trains. The Railroad Museum features more than 100 historic locomotives and railroad cars that chronicle American railroad history. We had fun climbing aboard the locomotives and photographing from underneath.



Images by Joe Hare, Arvid Bloom, Evelyn Connor, Susan Lowry Hare and Svenne Juul.

More images on the [website gallery.]

Ring in the Holidays with Good Food and Cheer and Lots of Really Ugly Sweaters!

Santa Hats Off to the Party Planning Committee for throwing a fantastic and festive celebration. Pat Rhubottom, Carolyn Mead, Connie Snyder and Ginia Apostolacus colorfully decorated the party room at Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center to go along with the Ugly Sweater theme.

Holiday Contest Winners!

Partygoers voted on their favorite holiday and seasonal images, and CCCC President Howard Sundwall announced the winners and presented them with a gift. First Place went to Carol DeGuiseppi for “Wagon in the Town Square”, Second Place to Sally Loken for “Christmas at Longwood”, and Third Place to George Chiodo for “Christmas Sparkle”

Drumroll please.....

The winners of the Ugly Sweater Contest!

And the moment we have all been waiting for.....

In third place - Bob Kelly. Second place - Jim Wilson. First Place - Mark Petry. Congratulations to all!!!

To see more ugly sweaters, check out all the party images in the CCCC website gallery.

Upcoming Events:

Members' Forum and Monthly Meeting ~~~ January 8

The first Members' Forum of 2020 is "*Easy Studio Photography at Home.*" It will feature club members sharing how you can take photos during the winter months in the comfort and warmth of your home using easy-to-use indoor studio set-ups. Robert Friedman will demonstrate the ease of using a portable portrait studio and Carol DeGuiseppi will demonstrate the use of a lightbox for product and still life photography.

Our guest speaker for this evening is Buddy Eleazer, an international award winning wildlife and landscape photographer who specializes in southern Africa wildlife. His images have been featured by Popular Photography, National Geographic and the prestigious Epson Panorama Awards.

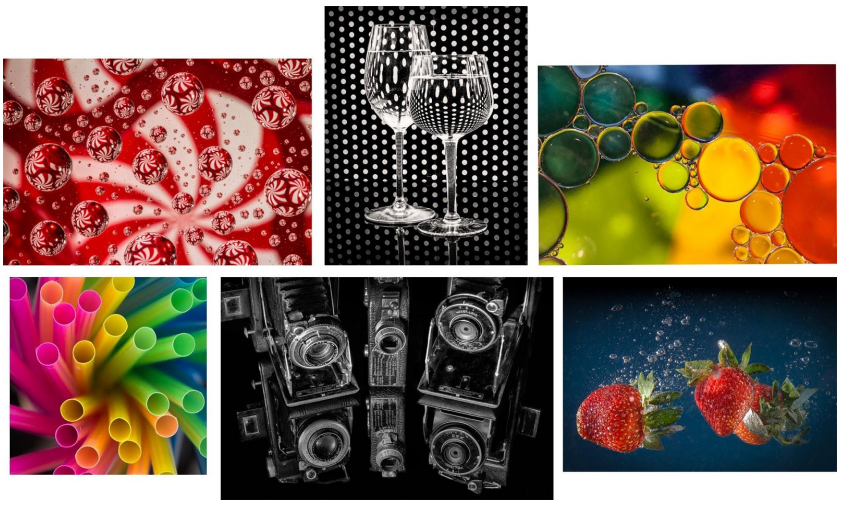
Be sure not to miss this exciting presentation if you want to hear about Africa first hand and see images like this one!

Mentor Meeting ~~~ January 15

Mentors and mentees are fascinated while learning catalog backup procedures in Lightroom at the December meeting.

CCCC Members Bob Kelly and Jim Wilson will present "Lightroom Basics", which will give a primer on some basic instructions for editing your images to make them look great. If you have a laptop, bring it along so you can practice what you learn. The meeting will be held at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Click here for details, and email Mentor Coordinator Paula Miller if you wish to attend.

Indoor Creativity Workshop ~~~ Saturday, February 1



Thirty CCCC members are registered to try out a variety of interesting and fun ways to practice photography skills indoors during the cold winter months. Led by Jim and Betsy Wilson and club member Mark Bergkvist, this will be a hands-on workshop where you will have the opportunity to experiment with lighting and try out some fun scenarios. This members-only event is Sold Out.

Upcoming Outings:

National Watch and Clock Museum - Saturday, Jan. 11

The National Watch and Clock Museum in Columbia, PA has over 12,000 items spanning a range of technologies and approaches for tracking the passing of time. Here's a great chance for some close-up photography, so be sure to bring your macro lens and tripod! Get all the details here.

Villain Arts Tattoo Convention - Saturday, January 18

The 22nd Annual Philadelphia Tattoo Arts Convention is the perfect venue for photography; most people are happy to show off their tattoos, and be photographed having them applied--that said, one should ask before shooting. The Philadelphia Tattoo Arts Convention is for industry professionals and tattoo lovers as well as photographers!!

Upcoming Exhibits

The 16th Annual Scenes of the Schuylkill is happening now through February 7th at Montgomery County Community College West Campus North Hall Gallery in Pottstown. The address is 16 W. High Street. It's ***FREE*** and open to the public.

Opportunities to Show Your Work

The 87th Annual Wilmington International Exhibition of Photography is accepting submissions for their 2020 show until January 27. Don't miss this opportunity to have your work displayed locally with photographers from around the world!

http://www.wilmingtoninternational.org/

The Odyssey Exhibit will return to the Pennsylvania Center for Photography in Doylestown this spring. They are accepting submissions now through February 18. This very popular exhibit that draws a great crowd and some amazing photography is a great way to share your work outside of Chester County.

http://www.pacenterforphotography.org/

Mark Your Calendars!

- **Sun, Jan 5** **Print Critique Group**
- **Wed, Jan 8** **Members Forum** and **Monthly Meeting**
- **Sat, Jan 11** Club Outing - **National Clock and Watch Museum**
- **Wed, Jan 15** **Mentor Meeting**
- **Sat, Jan 18** Club Outing - **Villain Arts Tattoo Convention**
- **Wed, Jan 22** **Monthly Competition**
- **Sat, Feb 1** **Indoor Creativity Workshop - Sold Out**
- **Sun, Feb 2** **Print Critique Group**
- **Sat, Feb 8** Club Outing - **Bryn Athyn Cathedral**
- **Wed, Feb 12** **Members' Forum and Monthly Meeting**
- **Wed, Feb 19** **Mentor Meeting**
- **Sat, Feb 22** Club Outing **- Ephrata Cloister**

More upcoming events are listed on the CCCC Home page and a full calendar is listed on the Schedule page.

Members in the News

Left to right: Spring Tapestry by Betsy Wilson, Time Flies by Ginia Apostolacus, Up & Away by Fiona Keyes

Ginia Apostolacus, Fiona Keyes and Betsy Wilson will be displaying their fine art photography at the juried Malvern Retreat House Art Show. Stop by for the complimentary Wine & Cheese reception Thurs, Jan 30 from 5-8pm. The exhibit, featuring more than 2000 fine art pieces runs from Jan 29 - Feb 2.

Website Wisdom

Want some easy ways to stay informed of upcoming events? The CCCC Homepage always has a quick list of the upcoming month's activities along with links to each event. And more schedule information is easily viewed by clicking on the Schedule menu tab. Two ways to view scheduled items: Click on the Month view at the top right, or click on Agenda view to get a brief description of all upcoming events.

Be sure to regularly check the CCCC Homepage for news and updates, as well as links to galleries from recent outings.

If you have any information you would like considered in an upcoming monthly newsletter, please contact newsletter editors Carol DeGuiseppi or Betsy Wilson.