

Camera Club of Oak Ridge
Newsletter for January 2015

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 Roane State Community College (Oak Ridge campus), Room A-111. Come to chat at 7:00 pm, meeting convenes at 7:30.

Program: January Intra-club competition

Theme - Inventions and Dimensions

This competition will focus on industrial, mechanical and technology subjects. These may be realistic representations or abstract perspectives (but still identifiable as fitting the theme) with or without creative post-development work.

BIMONTHLY COMPETITIONS – current rules

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Digital image files should be named as follows: Your Last name followed by first name plus a short title for the image, e.g. Duck, Donald Rain on the Lake.jpg.

Last meeting: The inimitable Colby McLemore entertained and informed the club with a presentation on portrait photography. He appeared to achieve his goal of making sure that everyone left with “a least one tip”.

Thanks in part to a large group of guests from the Knoxville Area Photographers Meetup Group, we enjoyed the largest turnout in recent memory for our meeting. If you are interested in exploring their group further, a link to their website is here: <http://www.meetup.com/knoxvilleareaphotographers/>

Dues are due. The club dues cycle runs from January to January. The few club members who have already paid for 2015 will be so advised by a separate email. If you do not receive such an email and wish to be an active member, you need to pay up. Dues are unchanged at \$20 for an individual, \$30 for a family and waived for full-time students. You may remit by check or cash at the next meeting or mail a check to me at 3302 W Gallaher Ferry Rd, Knoxville, TN 37932. The club also has a PayPal account at

SecTreas@oakridgecameraclub.org or use the button on the club website.

PSA representative needed. Our club is a member of PSA. In the past we have entered PSA competitions but cannot do so at present because we have no PSA representative. If a club member would be willing to accept this job, please let one of the officers know of your interest.

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Newsletter for February 2015

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 10, 2015 Roane State Community College (Oak Ridge campus), **room 104 of the New Goff Building**. **This is a change from our usual meeting room**. Come to chat at 7:00 pm, meeting convenes at 7:30.

Program: DSLR Videography - Bryan Allen

Bryan Allen is an award winning photographer and videographer based in Knoxville, TN. He has over thirty years of experience behind the lens. He maintains a commercial photography business as well as a boutique wedding and portraiture business that has been voted Knoxville's Best seven times. Bryan is also an engineer with over 20 years of experience in technology and media. Visit his website for more information at

BryanAllenPhoto.com

"In this talk I will share my thoughts on the emergence of dSLR video. I will also walk you through the challenges of shooting on this platform and how you can overcome those challenges. I'll show you some of my work and more importantly some behind-the-scenes clips of that work being made to give you a feel for the requisite gear and grip to do the job right. So this is not Film School 101. Everything I discuss will be from the perspective of a photographer transitioning to shooting video... not the other way around."

Last meeting: January Intra-club competition

Theme - Inventions and Dimensions

Club member Bob Stephenson was tapped on short notice to judge the competition. The winners were as follows:

First - Fresnel lens , Michael Miller

Second - Keeping Time, Don Muldrew

Third - Invention, Michael Miller

HM - Rota Machina, John Music

HM - The Bean, Ron Sentell

Upcoming meetings: The next CCOR competition will be during the March meeting and is open to all students from K-12 to college students working towards a certificate or degree. The prize will be a Panasonic [G1 mirrorless camera](#) with two interchangeable lenses.

Digital submissions should be emailed to the Bi-Monthly Club [Competition Chair](#). Students should email 3 representative .jpg photographs (each less than 3mb in size) plus a short bio stating your age, school, photographic interests and how you would benefit by winning the prize camera & lenses. To win you must be present at the March meeting at the Oak Ridge RSCC campus. Photos and [form](#) must be submitted by March 1.

Club Projects: American Museum of Science and Energy gallery.

AMSE is interested in displaying some of our salon prints relating to science and nature. It would involve a one year loan of member prints. Rob Welton is working on the details of this excellent opportunity for club exposure.

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Last meeting: DSLR Videography - Bryan Allen gave an enjoyable and useful introduction to DSLR video aimed at still photographers who are interested in getting into some videography. Check out [Popfizz • Brand Storytelling](#)

Club Projects: American Museum of Science and Energy gallery. AMSE has committed to displaying some of our prints relating to science and nature. The prints should be mounted on 16 x 20 foamcore board and will be hung for 12 months. Bring your prints to the next CCOR meeting or directly to AMSE during business hours.

Linden School Family Art Night. The club will have a booth again this year on March 6 from 6-8 pm. If you would like to participate in sharing your love of photography with elementary school students, contact Rob Welton for details.

Club News: Recognition for Baldwin Lee
Knoxville photographer and UTK fine arts professor Baldwin Lee was featured recently in a Time Magazine piece on his photography calling it “the most remarkable of American photography in the last half century.” Baldwin has supported our club by regularly serving as a judge for our competitions. The link below takes you to it and his feature is center top of the page. Clicking on that photo brings up the article. <http://time.com/photography/lightbox/>

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Next meeting: Tuesday, April 14, 2015 Roane State Community College (Oak Ridge campus), Room A-111. Come to chat at 7:00 pm, meeting convenes at 7:30. Program: Paul Hassell will present "Alive Photo", a project with interviews of the best professional outdoor photographers. Paul is a professional photographer from Knoxville who shoots all things wild. An entrepreneur since the age of 15, he organizes photo tours, workshops and camera classes through his company Light Finds, Inc. "We teach people to see light so that they can live more authentic, passionate lives." Click LightFinds.us for more details.

Last meeting: Special student competition. 18 students from Kindergarten through college submitted 3 digital images and a brief bio. The participating students were present and the entries were judged live by a team of club members led by Jim Dodson. The winners were:

Odelia Kneiser (Elementary School)
Ainsley Patrick (Middle School) + Best of Show
Kate Trabalka (High School)
Brayan Zavala (College)

For a gallery of the images click [here](#). For more details about the competition and photos of the contestants, go to the Club FaceBook page.

Club Projects: Linden School Family Art Night. Several club members contributed their time to making the club booth a success on March 6. Thanks to Rob Welton, Yvonne Dalschen, Dennis Clark, Nelya Grace, Mike Miller and Mike Slay (I hope I have not omitted anyone). See more detail on FaceBook or for images of the event click [here](#).

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Next meeting: Tuesday, May 12, 2015 Roane State Community College (Oak Ridge campus), Room A-111. Come to chat at 7:00 pm, meeting convenes at 7:30.

Program: Water Drop Art. Club member John Clark will go over the equipment, fluids, and processes with which he creates images of water drop collisions. He will address the science and the fun of experimenting with and learning about high speed stroboscopic photography.

Last meeting: Paul Hassell presented "Alive Photo". He shared clips of Skype interviews with outstanding nature photographers from his ambitious project. His website is at <http://www.lightfinds.us> It contains a link to the Alive Kickstarter project if you would like to learn more about it.

Upcoming meetings: The June meeting will be an intra-club competition with the theme of wildflowers. It will be a "challenge", limited to images that have been taken since January 1, 2015. The competition is open to active members who have paid dues for 2015.

Club Projects: Secret City Festival. CCOR will provide photography support for this community event again this year. Join other club members shooting the festival's many facets on Friday June 12 and Saturday June 13. More details about the event at <http://www.secretcityfestival.com> To see our images from last year's event, click on the secret city link on the club website home page.

Election of Officers: Club bylaws require that the 4 elected officers serve one year terms with elections every June. The current four officers (listed below) have agreed to serve another year if elected. Additional nominations are accepted from the floor at the May meeting. If there is more than one nomination for an office, the vote will be by secret ballot at the June meeting.

The current bylaws limit the president to 2 consecutive terms. The other officers may serve unlimited terms. Some members feel that this limitation is not in the best interest of the club. I will be proposing amending the bylaws to remove the term limit. The proposed change will be sent by email to all active members for review. If you do not receive it, it means I do not have a record of your having paid dues for 2015.

The proposed amendment must be discussed at the May meeting then voted on at the June meeting. If it passes and Rob Welton is elected, he will begin his third term June 10.

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Election of Officers: A slate of officers was presented at the May meeting consisting of the current four officers who have agreed to serve another year if elected. There were no additional nominations from the floor at the May meeting. A vote of the membership will be needed at the June meeting to confirm these officers. In the list at the end of this document, the first 4 officers are elected, the remaining 2 are appointed and do not require a vote of the membership.

Amendments to Constitution: Dennis and Betsy Clark and I have proposed amendments to the club constitution. These were discussed at the May meeting and will be voted upon at the June meeting. A copy of the proposed changes is available for review on the club website

here: <http://oakridgecameraclub.org/documents/CCORconstitutionProposed.doc>

Salon news: Don Miller has stepped up to volunteer to chair the club salon effort this year. He is rapidly coming up to speed with the mentorship of Pat Postma, Mike Miller and others. If he asks you to help, the correct answer is "Yes".

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Program: **Panel discussion on print mounting.**

Club veteran Doug Hubbard will share pointers regarding mounting your own prints using a spray adhesive method. A relative neophyte, yours truly, will share an alternate mounting method using a repositionable sheet adhesive. Other club members may also share tips. There will be time for questions and comments from the audience. So if you would like to fine tune your print mounting technique or just want to consider giving it a try, come join the discussion.

Last meeting: The annual "Meet and Greet" event. Eighteen photographers contributed updated statements of their interests as well as photographic examples for the slide show. A kind of visual database of our members is maintained on the CCOR web site and updated after each August meeting. This allows existing CCOR members to connect with people of similar interests as well as a resource for new members contemplating joining CCOR. A Pass gallery of images from this meeting can be viewed here <http://oakridgecameraclub.pass.us/mg/>

Upcoming meetings: The October meeting will be a special competition sponsored by Oak Ridge Convention and Visitors Bureau entitled "**Explore Oak Ridge**". It is open to the public as well as club members who may submit up to 4 projected images (no prints) in several categories and cash prizes are planned. Watch the CCOR website for more details.

Salon news: The annual salon is just around the corner. It is time to start preparing your own entries. You can find rules and entry forms on the website. Here are a key dates to start planning for:

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2015 dues: Our records indicate that 60 individuals are active members in good standing meaning they have paid dues for 2015. An email will be sent simultaneously with this newsletter to each active member. If you do not receive such an email, it means you have not paid your dues for this year. If you wish to remain a member in good standing please remit your dues in person at the next meeting, by mail or by PayPal as detailed on the website.

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Last meeting: Panel discussion on print mounting.

Doug Hubbard, Lee Smalley, David Senn and Jim Parks shared pointers regarding mounting your own prints using a variety of methods.

Upcoming meetings: Peter Koczera will speak on the Cumberland Trail Photography Project at the November meeting.

Salon deadlines looming:

+++The window for submitting **digital images by email** is now open and will close on October 13.

NB - the gmail address listed on early versions of the Salon Rules posted on the website is not correct. The correct address for image submission is SalonEntries@oakridgecameraclub.org A completed Digital Division entry form must be submitted along with the images. Payment of the Salon entry fee may be mailed to the address in the salon rules or paid in person at the October meeting by cash, check or charge card. If you have a PayPal account, you may make a transfer to the account SecTreas@oakridgecameraclub.org or use the Pay Now button on the Salon page of the club website at <http://oakridgecameraclub.org/compsalon.shtml> .

+++If you plan to submit your **digital images on CD/DVD**, there is only one time to do that - the October 13 meeting. Fees will be accepted at that time by cash, check or card.

+++**Prints** will be submitted in person at the New Hope Center on October 30 and 31. Fees may be paid at that time by cash, check or card. If you have already paid for digital entries there is no additional charge for entering prints.

For the 2015 Salon Gallery Walk and Reception to be held on Friday evening, November 13th, we are asking club members to contribute finger foods for the reception (cookies, brownies, fruit, nuts, cheese/crackers, etc.). If you are willing to help and haven't signed up on the website, please contact Roni & Mike Boyd (mikeroni2@comcast.net). We are all looking forward to a wonderful evening of sharing.

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Program: **Cumberland Trail Photography Project**

Our speaker will be Peter Koczera who is director of a project to document the ongoing effort to build the Cumberland Trail. The CT is Tennessee's second largest state park and when completed will stretch 300 miles from Cumberland Gap to Chattanooga. Peter is retired from the Hollywood movie industry where his career included work as a digital artist, teacher and consultant.

Last meeting: The club hosted a special competition sponsored by Oak Ridge Convention and Visitors Bureau entitled "Explore Oak Ridge". The images will be used to promote our community. Best in Show was taken by Julius Culiati and People's Choice award was taken by Genevieve Martin. Other competition winners included: Ann Barber, Mike Boyd, John Clark, Yvonne Dalschen, Carol Finley, Nelya Grace, Ray Smith, Don Spong and Rob Welton. The club is again indebted to Jim Dodson for his expertise in serving as judge. View the images at <http://oakridgecameraclub.pass.us/xor/>

Salon stuff:

The digital division of the Salon was judged on October 24. Best of Show went to Mike Slay. Other winners will be detailed at the Salon reception and published in the Salon booklet. Mike Miller is compiling the digital images into a video presentation that will be available for viewing at the New Hope Center while the Salon is on view. He will present the video and his commentary as part of the reception on November 13. There were 234 entries this year.

The images may also be viewed at <http://oakridgecameraclub.pass.us/salon2015/> More than 350 prints were submitted at the New Hope Center on October 30 and 31. Judging will take place on November 7 and is open to the public. Originally slated to begin at 10 am, efforts are now being made to start earlier in view of the number of entries. If you do attend, it is important to observe quietly so as to avoid interfering with or influencing the work of the judges. Check the website or FaceBook next week for the latest on starting time.

The 2015 Salon Gallery Walk and Reception will be held at 7:00 pm on Friday evening, November 13th. We are asking club members to contribute finger foods for the reception (cookies, brownies, fruit, nuts, cheese/crackers, etc.). If you are willing to help and haven't signed up on the website, please contact Roni & Mike Boyd (mikeroni2@comcast.net). The reception will be in the New Hope Center and is open to the public. Inviting a friend to come is a great way to introduce potential new members to our club.

Club news:

Tony Habenschuss passed away recently. Tony was a long-time member of CCOR. He served the club as secretary-treasurer from 2007-2013.

Club Facebook page: www.facebook.com/groups/cameraclubOR/ or click on the Facebook icon on the home page of the CCOR website. CCOR website: <http://oakridgecameraclub.org>

Your current club officers are as follows:

President	Rob Welton	pres@oakridgecameraclub.org
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VP - Program Chair	Yvonne Dalschen	program@oakridgecameraclub.org
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Next meeting: Tuesday, December 8, 2015 Roane State Community College (Oak Ridge campus), Room A-111. Come at 7:00 pm to chat, program convenes at 7:30.

Program: Bimonthly intra-club competition. The theme is **Portrait Photography**. For more information on what the judge will be looking for, visit the [website](#). The rules for submission are as follows:

BIMONTHLY COMPETITIONS

Entries are accepted only from Camera Club of Oak Ridge members in good standing. Images may be entered as digital projection images or mounted prints with a maximum of 3 entries in each division. Images must have been taken in the past five years. An image which has been judged as 1st, 2nd or 3rd in other competitions may not be entered.

PRINT IMAGES

Print images must be a minimum of 60 square inches and a maximum of 320 square inches and must be mounted on foam board for display.

DIGITAL IMAGES

Digital images should be resized so that the long side of the photo is 1400 pixels. Please eliminate any watermarks or other identifying information before submitting. Digital images should be submitted by email to the competition chairman (email: clubcomp@oakridgecameraclub.org) by noon of the Monday before the Tuesday meeting. If you have not received an acknowledgement of your submission, please contact the competition chairman for confirmation.

Digital image files should be named as follows: Your Last name followed by first name plus a short title for the image, e.g. Duck, Donald Rain on the Lake.jpg.

Last meeting: Cumberland Trail Photography Project

Our speaker was Peter Koczera who is director of a project to document the ongoing effort to build the Cumberland Trail. The club enjoyed viewing his creative images of the trail and the areas through which it is being constructed. Bobby Fulcher, Park Manager for The Cumberland Trail State park provided additional information and answered questions. Inspired by the enthusiasm of our club, he has indicated that they will formulate a submission process for our club to participate by contributing images to the photography project. When the details are clarified, we will share them with the membership.

Salon stuff: If you have not been to the New Hope Center to view the Salon gallery you have only 3 more days to do so. The building is open from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm today, Wednesday and Thursday. Do not miss it!

The judges' rulings are in. Best of show in each division are as follows:

- * Digital images: Michael Slay - Stratus
- * B&W print: Gretchen Kaplan - Up/Down
- * Color print: Jim Parks - Maryland Staircase

I have attached a spreadsheet listing all the ribbon winners for this year.

The salon gallery will be dismantled on Friday, December 4 from 10 am until noon. Come to help if you can.

Prints and ribbons **must** be picked up from 12:00 noon until 2:00 pm Friday, December 4 or 10:00 am - 12:00 noon Saturday December 5.

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CCOR website home page: <http://oakridgecameraclub.org> (also contains the email addresses of the club officers listed below.)

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Submitted by Lee Smalley Secretary / Treasurer CCOR
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