



## Camera Club of Oak Ridge Newsletter for September 2020

Picture by Dennis Clark

Our next Zoom Meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020**. We will meet at 7:30 PM, just like always, but members and guests are most welcome to join the zoom meeting at 7:00 PM for informal fellowship. These extra 30 minutes will allow for some additional time to join the meeting and chat a little bit. I will pass along the zoom meeting link in a few days by email.

- Since the CCOR fiscal year runs January 1- December 31, membership dues are due on January 1 for current members; new members may pay upon joining at any time of year. If you aren't sure if yours was renewed, please check with me. Individual Membership is \$20 and Family Membership is \$30. If you are a new member who has never joined CCOR before, and it is later than June 30, we'll reduce your membership dues by half for that year. In this case, make sure you choose either the "New Member (after June) \$10.00" or "New Family (after June) \$15.00" option. Only New members should use this option. Membership is free for Full Time Students. You can renew your membership online at:

<https://oakridgecameraclub.org/join-us/join-us.shtml>

# Meetings

- **September 2020 meeting:** The September meeting on **Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**, will be a program meeting. Anna Lawrence of the "The Big Camera" Knoxville will talk about alternative photographic processes. Here is her announcement:

"The Big Camera was founded as an art outreach vehicle. We are simply a giant (10'x6') camera obscura. In addition, we teach many aspects of historic and alternative photography and use our Big Camera to make images, as a tiny classroom and as a mobile darkroom!

We will share with you how The Big Camera works and a few examples of how we produce our alternative work. And how you can make cyano or lumen prints at home."

Website: [www.BigCamera.org](http://www.BigCamera.org)

- **August 2020 meeting:** In case you missed our last meeting, the August meeting was our annual "Meet-n-Greet" (MnG) meeting. We introduced everyone present via zoom and asked attendees to comment on their submitted photos. The photos can be seen on the club SmugMug page:
  - <https://ccor.smugmug.com/2020/Meet-Greet/Meet-Greet/>
- **October 2020 meeting:** The October 2020 meeting will be a photo competition dedicated to the topic of "**Fall Colors**". Fall colors (or abstract Fall Colors if you choose) are pure demonstrations of a photographer's original vision, not just a formulaic representation. Think less descriptive and more aesthetic and you'll be on the right track.
- **December 2020 meeting:** The December 2020 meeting will be a photo competition dedicated to the topic of "**Along the Riverbank**". There is life all along a riverbank, both rural and urban. Rivers can be meandering and slow or wild and fast, but there is often a lot to see. Please enter your photos showing a riverbank. There are no limits to the subject, so your images could include things such as trees, paths, animals, boats and buildings on a riverbank, but it must be obvious that your image was taken on a riverbank.
- **February 2021 meeting:** The February 2021 meeting will be a photo competition dedicated to the topic of "**Power of Nature (in color)**". In this contest, your color photos should emphasize the power of nature. The subject can be anything you choose but nature's power must be clearly visible. The photos must be in color but please do not enter composite images.

- **April 2021 meeting:** The April 2021 meeting will be a photo competition dedicated to the topic of “**Flowers**”. Flowers are colorful, bright and readily available, so it's no wonder they are a popular subject for photographers; especially in spring, which offers huge potential for those looking to shoot gorgeous plant and flower portraits. Whether in your garden, by the side of the road or in the Great Smokey Mountains National Park among the spring wildflowers, this is an excellent subject for your nature lovers.
- **June 2021 meeting:** The June 2021 meeting will be a photo competition dedicated to the topic of “**Nature Retakes Control**”. Nature is the most powerful force on the planet, despite millennia of humans trying to tame it. If we all disappeared tomorrow, it would take no time at all before our cities, roadways and intricate infrastructures were crawling with plants and animals. You can see this on a small scale in abandoned lots and derelict buildings. Give us your own example of ‘Nature Retakes Control’ for this contest.

## CCOR Facebook Competition

The topic for this month’s Facebook competition is [#quirky](#). Carolyn asks "*What have you done that was interesting/odd?*" Be sure to include [#quirky](#) in your post so people can search for them when they vote. You can upload ONE image per topic and we limit each winner to only winning one monthly competition per year, so everyone has a chance. We also have a gallery on Smugmug to see the monthly winners at:

<https://ccor.smugmug.com/2020/Facebook-Photos/>

## The 2020 CCOR Salon

- **This year’s salon will be virtual.** The 2020 Salon Categories are:
  - ✚ Abstracts/Textures/Patterns
  - ✚ Action/Motion/Sports
  - ✚ Architecture & Structures
  - ✚ Botanical
  - ✚ Decay & Deterioration
  - ✚ Inanimate
  - ✚ Landscape
  - ✚ Local Flavor
  - ✚ People
  - ✚ Wildlife

You can see the full descriptions of the categories on our [Salon](#) webpage.

**Please remember to complete the 2020 Registration form and to pay the associated entry fee.**

- **Salon Dates**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
Image Submission	August 11 - September 27, 2020	*Online only through our SmugMug pages* Uploading will be cut off at 11:59 p.m.
Judging Session 1	TBD (second or third weekend of October)	TBD
Judging Session 2	TBD (second or third weekend of October)	TBD
Zoom Reception	Tuesday, November 10, 2020	7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

## **Current CCOR member exhibits**

If you would like to have your exhibit listed in the next newsletter, please send me an email at [sec-treas@oakridgecameraclub.org](mailto:sec-treas@oakridgecameraclub.org)

Looking forward to virtually meeting you,

Secretary-Treasurer

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