



Camera Club of Oak Ridge Newsletter for October 2020

Picture by Dorothy Baxter

*Our next Zoom Meeting will be on **Tuesday, October 13th, 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

- **October 2020 meeting:** The October meeting on **Tuesday, October 13th** 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.

We have set up a SmugMug site for this competition. **Competition is only open to members who have paid their 2020 membership dues.** You may upload 3 images to the SmugMug gallery shown below. **You must have your images submitted by 12:00 noon on Sunday 10/11/20!**

- <https://www.smugmug.com/upload/64zZf7/color>

Use the following filename convention in each competition:

FirstName_LastName_1.jpg
FirstName_LastName_2.jpg
FirstName_LastName_3.jpg

Example: the filename for the first entry by Jen Booker is ‘Jen_Booker_1.jpg’.

- **September 2020 meeting:** In case you missed our last meeting, the September meeting was a program meeting. Anna Lawrence of the "The Big Camera" Knoxville talked about alternative photographic processes. The Big Camera was founded as an art outreach vehicle. Anna shared with us how The Big Camera works and a few examples of how they produce their alternative work. And how you can make cyano or lumen prints at home.
- **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 of the last Facebook competition was "Cell Phones Only" and Dorothy Baxter was the winner. Congratulations! The winning picture can be seen in the header of the newsletter. The topic for this month's Facebook competition is [#Bridges](#). Let's see your favorite bridges! From large road bridges, to small footbridges in the Smokies, and everything in-between. Post your entries (one per photographer) by October 31, and be sure to include [#Bridges](#). 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.

- **Salon Dates**

Event	Date	Time
Image Submission	August 11 - September 27, 2020	*Online only through our SmugMug pages*
Judging Session	October 17, 2020	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

Last but not least

- **Adobe MAX 2020.** Adobe's annual creative conference, Adobe MAX 2020, will take place virtually on 20-22 October, and unlike previous years, it will be **completely free** for creatives to attend. You just need an Adobe ID and have to answer a few questions. Registration to attend is now officially open! Adobe Max 2020 promises 56 hours of non-stop inspiration and learning (including lectures on Photoshop and Lightroom). Among the artists and designers to join Adobe this year is world renowned portrait photographer Annie Leibovitz. You can register at: <http://max.adobe.com/>

- **DXO NIK Collection.** If you are already using the Nik collection or are planning to purchase the Nik collection, you might be interested to check out some of DXO's **free** webinars at:

<https://nikcollection.dxo.com/webinars/>

Looking forward to virtually meeting you,

Secretary-Treasurer
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