



Camera Club of Oak Ridge Newsletter for April 2021

Picture by Luis Chavez

Our next Zoom Meeting will be on **Tuesday, April 13, 2021**. 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. 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. Membership is free for Full Time Students. You can renew your membership online at:

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

Meetings

- **April 2021 meeting:** The April meeting on **Tuesday, April 13, 2021** will be a club contest dedicated to the topic of “**Flowers**”. Flowers are colorful, bright, and readily available, so it is 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.

We have set up a SmugMug site for this competition. **Contest is only open to members who have paid their 2021 membership dues.** You may upload up to TWO images to the SmugMug gallery shown below. **You must have your images submitted by 12:00 noon on Sunday 4/11/2021!**

<https://www.smugmug.com/upload/qMQBG7/Flowers>

Use the following filename convention in each competition:

FirstName_LastName_1.jpg

FirstName_LastName_2.jpg

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

- **March 2021 meeting:** In case you missed our last meeting, the March meeting was a program meeting. **Tennessee Rick Elliott** talked about **Sports, Snapshots, Shoeboxes, and Award-Winning Images**. You may not consider yourself a portrait photographer, but Tennessee Rick discussed basic principles behind capturing meaningful images of family members, strangers on the street, action sports ... and anything else **that** might come up. Rick kindly allowed us to create a video of his fascinating CCOR presentation. If you missed the Zoom meeting, you could see it in our Library at

https://oakridgecameraclub.org/library/2021/TNRick_3_2021.mp4

- **May 2021 meeting:** Do you wonder how others edit their photos? Now is your chance to find out. We will have four or five of our members edit photos provided by another member. They will keep notes and show us the steps they took in editing that one photo. In a test run, we learned some new tricks and we were surprised at the results. This should be an interesting meeting.

- **June 2021 meeting:** The June 2021 meeting will be a club contest 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 February Facebook competition was "red" and Luis Chavez was the winner. Congratulations! Thank you to everyone who participated! The winning picture can be seen in the header of the newsletter. Luis has chosen [#time](#) for our March Facebook competition.

We limit each winner to only winning one monthly competition per calendar year, so everyone has a chance. We also have a gallery on Smugmug to see the monthly winners at:

<https://ccor.smugmug.com/2021/Facebook-Photos/>

Current CCOR member exhibits

The Emporium on Gay Street in Knoxville will exhibit the **No Bigger Than a Breadbox: Biennial Small Works Show**, juried by Joan Bontempo, from **April 2 - 30, 2021**. It shows work by Yvonne Dalschen, Shelley King, and Andreas Koschan. This second biennial juried exhibition features selected works from 52 artists throughout the United States. The exhibition was designed to celebrate the innovation of artists who create work on a small scale and in a broad range of media and styles. Over \$1,000 in cash awards will be announced at a brief awards ceremony at 6:00 PM on April 2.

Please note, the Emporium will be closed on Monday, April 5.

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

Looking forward to virtually meeting you,

Secretary-Treasurer
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