



March 2023

Robson Ranch Photo Club meets the 3rd Monday of each Month, 7:00 pm CATC room 104
Workshops are on the 2nd Tuesday at 9:30 am and 4th Tuesday at 7:00 pm CATC room 104
Check <http://rrphotoclub.org> for more information

"Great photography is about depth of feeling, not depth of field." - Peter Adams

January Competition First Place Results

Basic: Carol Culkin

"Japanese Garden"

Advanced: Steve Simpson

"Spring is Coming"

Masters" Betty Alvarado

"Room With a View"

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Mark Your Calendar

March Board Meeting

Will Be held on March 6th at 7:00 pm. Location to be announced due to CATC construction.

March Member Meeting

The meeting will be held on Monday the 20th at 7:00 pm in the CATC room 104. The guest speaker will be *Russel Grave - Nature and Wildlife Photographer.*

March Morning Workshop

This workshop will be held on Tuesday March 14th at 9:30 am. Should be in the CATC room 104. The topic will be, *"Focus Stacking and HDR photography."* In addition you will learn how to process the pictures in Photoshop or Lightroom. There will be a live demonstration. Presented by Clay Hodson.

March Evening Workshop

This workshop will be on March 28th at 7:00 pm in the CATC room 104. The topic will be *"Traveling with your Camera Phone."* Presented by Steve Simpson.

April Board Meeting

Will be held on April 3rd at 7:00 pm. In the CATC room 104.

April Member Meeting

The meeting will be held on April 17th at 7:00 pm in the CATC room 104. The program is TBD.

April Morning Workshop

This workshop will be held on Tuesday April 11th at 9:30 am in the CATC room 104.

April Evening Workshop

This workshop will be on April 25th at 7:00 pm in the CATC room 104. The topic will be, "Let's Fix iPhone Images: A hands-on Workshop," presented by Ray Davis.

March Competition

This Month category is "Open". Images are due by 3/25/23. Images must have been taken after 3/1/22. Note: Minimum pixel sizes, 2500 horizontal and 2000 vertical at 240 ppi.

Upcoming Events

With good weather, the club will be going to **Capps Corner** for a *Milky Way Photo Shoot*. Ron Ice has a friend with a large property that includes both large single trees in an open field or rows of "woods." The field that could be used as foreground. There is also a "dark" cemetery about 2 miles away with an old building--formally a "one room school"--that slightly leans. Capps Corner is only 69 miles north of Robson Ranch. This would be a late night shoot towards the second half of March. We need the correct moon phase and no clouds. More info to follow.

Also in April, the club is planning a possible trip to the Gainesville Zoo for a photo shoot. More info to come.



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“Japanese Garden”

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Featured Member of the Month

Peggy Thomas



Peggy was born in the Dodge City, Kansas area and grew up on her family's farm. When I asked her how long she's been shooting pictures, she said she can't really remember being without a camera in her hands from her first Brownie! She started shooting the usual subjects, pets, family, friends, and particularly reminisced about when she had a sleepover at the farm. Images of the girls in PJs, sitting on farm equipment specifically came to mind.

Peggy moved to Texas in the late 70's. Her working life encompassed managing a veterinary emergency vet care facility for many years, followed by a stint in insurance. She retired around 2008 and as she was then more able to travel, got quite a bit more serious in her image capture interests. She was a long time Nikon user, and lugged around her D850 and lens collection for quite some time. Seeking some lighter equipment, she then transitioned to Sony mirror-less equipment, shooting with a range of Sony bodies from a1, a4 and a9 up to current mirror-less options. Other than candid or travel "street" shots, she finds she is less comfortable shooting people than her usual subject attractions of wildlife, landscapes, travel story content, along with some close up and macro work. In the past 12 months she has been in South Africa and also India!

You may well remember Peggy's wonderful bird shots that we displayed in the Photoclub window several months ago. Her capture of very natural images of multiple hummingbirds on a single flower stalk and her beautiful cara cara images, both static and active! Shown below are a couple of shots from her most recent travels. Her great images should be an inspiration to us all! Peggy also posts her images on Instagram under name peggyrains, for those who know how to use that app!

