



May 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

"The painter constructs, the photographer discloses." – Susan Sontag

March Competition First Place Results

Basic: Carol Caulkin

"Twisted View"

Advanced: Jim Fisher

"Causeway"

Masters: Peter Hollatz

"Norfolk Pines"

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Mark Your Calendar

May Board Meeting

Will Be held on May 8th at 5:00 pm. Location TBD.

May Member Meeting

The meeting will be held on Monday May 15th at 7:00 pm in the CATC room 104. The topic will be, Members Show and Tell by Carol Culkin. Send your photos to Carol at cc.culkin@gmail.com.

May Morning Workshop

This workshop will be held on Tuesday 9th at 9:30 am. in the CATC room 104. The topic will be, "How Lens Properties Influence Composition." A National Geographic Video and Dick Remski.

May Evening Workshop

This workshop will be on May 23rd at 7:00 pm in the CATC room 104. The topic is TBD.

May Competition

This Month category is "**Around Robson Ranch with a Cell Phone**". Images are due by 5/20/23. Images must have been taken after 5/1/22. *Note: Minimum pixel sizes, 2500 horizontal and 2000 vertical at 240 ppi.*

Upcoming Events

In May, the club is still planning a possible trip to the **Gainesville Zoo** for a photo shoot. More info to come.

Bad weather has delayed the club going to **Capps Corner** for a **Milky Way Photo Shoot**. It will be postponed till next Spring.

Five club members will be going to Caddo Lake with Russell Graves on a educational Photo shoot.

2023 Dues are Due!!!

If you have not paid your dues, please get it Mary. She with take cash or check.

Only \$10 per person

Upcoming Competition Topics

- June *Nonsense*
- July *Open*
- August *Unposed Portraits*
- September *Silhouettes*
- October *Starts with "Y"*
- November *Open*

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Featured Member of the Month

Clay Hodson, Vice President



Clay Hodson was born and raised in Southern California. He had a very successful career in law enforcement which lasted 38 years. He worked for both the Whittier Police Department and Riverside County District Attorney's Bureau of Investigation. He retired as the Chief of Investigators in 2007. It was at Whittier PD where Clay first learned to use a film camera. It was mostly surveillance pictures of suspects while he worked Vice and Narcotics.

He also worked as a part-time faculty member at Riverside Community College, teaching criminal justice courses. In his advanced criminal investigation course he taught crime scene photography. Early on he dabbled in film photography with a Pentax ME Super. After retiring from Law Enforcement, he bought a Nikon D60 Kit and enrolled in a "Introduction to Digital Photography" class at the local community college. He learned the basics of digital photography and Photoshop. Since then, he has traded-up his Nikon cameras to a D90, D610, D810, and now a D850.

While living in California he was a member of the Redlands Camera Club. This is where he learned to be thick-skinned and listen to the judge's comments during competition. He has learned a lot from judges. He moved to Texas in 2020 and joined the Robson Ranch Photo Club. He is the editor of the Photogram and the current Vice-President. He enjoys landscape, macro, wildlife, and photographing people. He has traveled to Alaska many times where he enjoys taking pictures of bears and other wildlife. He grew up as an outdoorsman and hunter, but today, he prefers hunting with his camera.

