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NATURALISTS' CAMERA CLUB OF TOLEDO

OVER FIFTY YEARS
OF MAKING THE PHOTOGRAPHER A BETTER NATURALIST
AND THE NATURALIST A BETTER PHOTOGRAPHER

November, 2018

DATE and TIME: Sunday, November 11, 2:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Secor Room, National Center for Nature Photography at Secor Metropark.
HOST: Please bring a snack to share.
ASSIGNMENT: Any photos of nature you wish to share.

PROGRAM: **Open Forum** by members of the NCCT

NCCT members will hold an open forum about anything photographic, so bring in your ideas, program interests and questions. We will try to solve them all in one epic meeting.

NEXT MEETING: **Program:** "Plant It and They Will Come" by Jan Dixon
Date and Time: Sunday, December 9, 2:00 p.m.
Location: Secor Room, National Center for Nature Photography at Secor Metropark.
Host: Please bring a snack to share.
Assignment: Any nature or travel photos you would like to share.

Jan Dixon from the Toledo Naturalists' Association and Wild Ones will share what she has learned about butterflies from her gardens and research at The Nature Conservancy's Kitty Todd Preserve. Discussion will center on native species and a few non-native species that will draw these beautiful insects to your yard and why. Learn how you can help butterflies survive under increasingly difficult circumstances.

NEW ON THE NCCT WEBSITE

This month's homepage photo was provided by NCCT member Lynn Godfrey. This is Lynn's second appearance on the NCCT homepage and provides us with a nice picture from her and Don's Alaska visit. Also check out our new website page, "Our Best Shots," which replaces our now completed "Best Shot Contest" project (see news item below). On this new page you'll find the Our Best Shots gallery for October '18. If you have a nature or travel photo that you've taken during this past month, you can now have it posted in this gallery, or you can post it yourself if you've been indoctrinated into the inner workings of Weebly website building. Rich Irvin has also added a new album of autumn shots from Evergreen Lake.

4 Elements of Great Landscape Photography (Part 4)

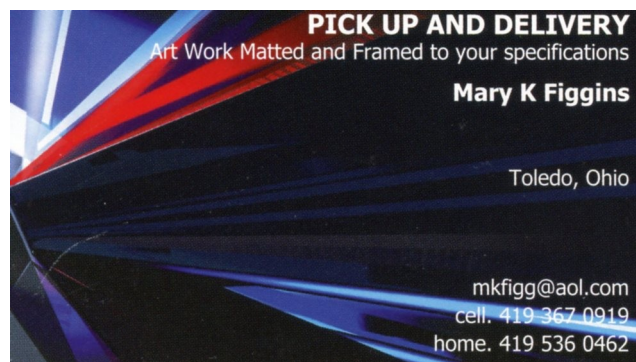
Strong Composition. You can think of photography as the opposite of painting in a way. Painters start with a blank canvas and add elements to it, whereas photographers are presented with a scene full of details and must try to work in reverse and eliminate the non-essential ingredients through lighting angles, camera positions, lens focal lengths, etc., until it contains only the most important elements and, oh yeah, all of this while trying to arranged those important elements into an interesting graphic design. Easy peasy, right? Just remember the basic building blocks of composition that you can always count on in creating interesting graphic designs: lines, shapes, textures, colors and patterns. If you can keep it simple at the very foundation of the scene's compositional structure, the finer details will often take care of themselves.

BEST SHOT CONTEST WRAP UP

As of September 30th we put the Best Shot Contest to bed, packed up the results and sent it all on the road, where it will appear at several different venues during the coming year. The first stop is Toledo Botanical Garden, where it will be for approximately one month. Check the newsletter each month for its new venue location, in case you want to catch a glimpse of it in person. Also, check out some more photos taken by Mary Figgins at our TBG tour stop which can be seen on our website's new Our Best Shots page.



Photo by Mary Figgins



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