

Jefferson County Photography Club

Minutes

February 13, 2025

Attendance: Doug Allmond, Chris Bowers, Suzanne Bowers, Karen Geier-Smith, Ellen Hardesty, Laurence Heine, Karla Hsu, John Kracke, Tina McClaflin, Alice Newton, Deborah Morbeto, Christie Zepeda, Donna Hemstead

Business: Our newly elected president, Suzanne Bowers, brought the meeting to order. She announced that we're now on Instagram. If you want to share images, use a watermark. We now have a new logo and a new website. Members agreed that it looks great. Karen Geier-Smith, photo is on the opening page. Check it out and make comments.

Christie Zepeda suggested that we start the meeting earlier. This idea will be explored.

Ellen Hardesty, Secretary/Treasurer, announced that the dues will be increased to \$20 for the year which runs from April 1 – March 31. They will be collected at our first in person meeting on April 1. Members who join at different times in the year will have their dues prorated.

The membership application form has been updated and will be sent out before the April meeting. All members should fill out a form.

We will have small snacks and drinks during the workshop sessions, which are scheduled for every other month. This will give us an opportunity to get to know new members.

Critiques: Each month we will critique a photo of a club member. John Kracke has volunteered for March. Each member will have a critique sheet.

February Challenge: Black and White. Suzanne Bowers, Alice Newton, Chris Bowers, Christie Zepeda, Laurence Heine, Doug Allmond, Karen Geier-Smith, Ellen Hardesty, and Karla Hsu had some great images to share. (did I leave out anyone)

Exhibits: We will have an exhibit at the Old Opera in May and an exhibit at the Firehouse Gallery in November. Start planning on photos you want to exhibit. More details to follow.

Workshop: Suzanne Bowers led a discussion of Lesser-Known Composition Rules. This includes negative space, dynamic tension, mirroring, and leading lines to name a few.

March Challenge: Lesser Known Compositions. Check out the post on Lesser-known Composition Rules. It can be found here, under "Resources" at <https://jcpcwv.com/items-of-interest/> **This will be a Zoom meeting.**

Bring 3-5 images to the next Zoom meeting.

Photoshop and Lightroom have grids to help you find a Golden Triangle, spiral image, etc.

Saturday Group Photography Outings:

- 12 April – Visit Gardens & Exhibits at the Museum of the Shenandoah in Winchester
- 21 June – Intentional Seeing Exercise -Jefferson Memorial Park, Charles Town

- 16 August – Visit Exhibit: **E. O. Hoppe: Women at the Museum of Fine Art, Washington County, MD**

2025 Schedule

11 February via Zoom - **1A** Workshop: Lesser Known Composition Rules (negative space, dynamic tension, mirroring, and leading lines to name a few)

11 March via Zoom - **1B** Challenge: Lesser Known Compositions

8 April - **2A** Workshop: Intentional Seeing (Chris Bowers)

13 May - **2B** Challenge: Intentional Seeing (more art, less snapshot)

10 June - **3A** Workshop: Double Exposure

8 July - **3B** Challenge: Double Exposure

12 August - **4A** Workshop: Table Top Set - example bubbles (Suzanne Bowers)

9 September - **4B** Challenge: Table Top Set

14 October - **5A** Workshop: Framing (lead by Doug Allmond)

11 November - **5B** Challenge: Admire the club's art hanging at the Rouss Gallery

9 December - **Christmas Party**

January - March Zoom sessions

April - Pay yearly dues