

THE LEHIGH VALLEY PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB (LVPC) IS DEDICATED TO ENHANCING MEMBERS' ENJOYMENT AND KNOWLEDGE OF PHOTOGRAPHY.



Lehigh valley Photography Club

FEATURED MEMBER, DON SCHRODER

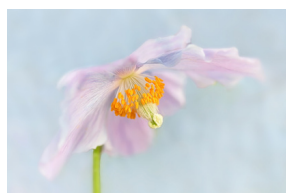
Member since 2010

I bought my first SLR camera, a Canon AE-1, in 1978 because a good friend of mine was into photography. He was also a pilot. We'd takeoff from Teterboro, NJ airport to circle the Statue of Liberty and fly up the Hudson River past the Twin Towers to the GW Bridge. It was quite a sight (and a different time)! And then 10 years later, I put down the camera until the early 2000s when I became inspired by my daughter's passion for riding horses. So, I bought one of those early digital cameras that takes a picture a day after you pressed the shutter. As one would imagine, this didn't work for show jumping! It was time to trade up to my first "big-boy" digital camera, a Nikon D70.

Today, I'm primarily a wildlife photographer but also enjoy photographing people, flowers and landscapes. I currently co-lead workshops to Africa and the Arctic with club member Buddy Eleazer (www.magnumexcursions.com). One of my favorite "local" places to shoot is Nickerson Beach on Long Island, NY where, in the summer months, I photograph nesting birds with their young. You can click here to see last year's chicks-on-the-beach images: [Nickerson 2022](#).

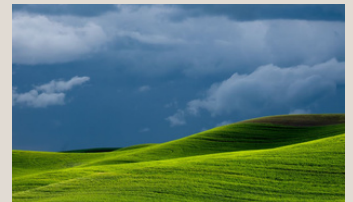
I've been a LVPC member for 13 years and have been a board member for eight of them. Even though board members come and go, every one of them has been friendly, hardworking, team playing and very professional. And that is what makes it enjoyable. I'm the chairperson for finding the monthly-meeting speakers and overseeing the FOCUS exhibit. I've worked in publishing my entire professional life, so contacting people and running shows is second nature to me.

My current gear includes the Nikon Z9 camera with a selection of Nikon glass. If you have a minute, please visit my website to see what I've been up to at www.donschroder.com.



APRIL MEETING Thursday, April 20 7pm

JOHN BARCLAY:
THROUGH THE LENS OF LOVE



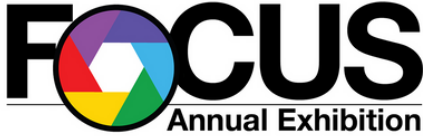
If you're like John Barclay, you've probably chased after images, even images you might have seen searching for inspiration on social media. You may have even created a checklist to be sure you got exactly what you planned for. You have likely gone out with expectations only to be disappointed when the conditions were not right, or you did not find what you had hoped for. Realizing that photography is a creative art form, John is constantly exploring new ways to connect with his subject. Over the last few years, he's been learning to fall in love with rather than just photograph what he's drawn to. Love? Really? What's love have to do with it? That is what this presentation will disclose. How does the love of his subjects influence his photography? It boils down to this — John photographs what makes his heart sing! In this presentation, John Barclay will share stories and thoughts from a 20-year journey to where he now looks through the lens of love. We hope you will join him.

John Barclay is an award-winning freelance photographer based in Bucks County, PA. John is a passionate photographer, enthusiastic workshop leader and inspirational speaker, presenting his programs to audiences around the world. John is an Ambassador for Singh-Ray Filters, Lensbaby, and well known for his Topaz Webinars. John's work has been published in a number of books and magazines and is treasured by a number of private collectors. Recently, John was the recipient of an excellence award from B&W Magazine and was chosen by Dewitt Jones to participate in his www.healingimages.org program.

You can learn more about John, his work, and view his workshop schedule at: <https://johnbarclayphotography.com/>

This is a "hybrid" event: an in-person meeting, as well as a virtual presentation via Zoom, both are open to Members and Non-members. The in-person meeting will be held at Seegers Union, Room 113, on the Muhlenberg Campus ([click for map](#)).

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR IN-PERSON OR ZOOM](#)



APRIL 9 - MAY 7

ALLENTOWN ART MUSEUM

**JOIN US FOR THE 6TH
ANNUAL FOCUS EXHIBITION
AWARD CEREMONY**

Sunday, April 9, 1:30 PM is the virtual opening of the club's 6th annual FOCUS exhibition at the Allentown Art Museum! We have a stunning collection of images from 82 members. We'll be streaming live (and recording) to announce the winners in the following categories: Best in Show and Best in Floral, Landscape, Man-made, Nature, Open, People, Travel, Honorable Mentions and the Janet Dean Award.

Joe Edelman, award winning photographer, author, educator, and Henry Rowan, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Center for Photography, are our 2023 judges.

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE 1:30PM
ZOOM AWARDS CEREMONY](#)

Passcode: 836909

[View a slideshow of the 2023
FOCUS Exhibition images on the
LVPC YouTube Channel](#)



**31 N 5th St
Allentown, PA 18101
MUSEUM HOURS**

**THURSDAY THROUGH SUNDAY
11:00 AM TO 4:00 PM
OPEN 11:00 TO 8:00 PM ON THE THIRD
THURSDAY EACH MONTH**

**CLOSED MONDAY, TUESDAY &
WEDNESDAY**

As LVPC will attend several community events this year - would you consider allowing your FOCUS image to be utilized as part of our display? Please reach out to us at info.lvpc@gmail.com

LIST OF EXHIBITING PHOTOGRAPHERS

Dutch Bagley "Arc of Double O"
Jordan Basem "Feeling Sorrow"
Robert Becker "Grandma's Kitchen"
Richard Begbie "Camouflage"
Gerard Blair "Squid Flower"
John Bohnel "Ore Boat"
Greg Buragino "Twins"
Marla Burke "Golden Hour"
Heidi Call "Magenta Dream"
Gary Campbell "Dawn's Early Light"
Karen Campbell "Red-Spotted Purple"
Allan Canner "Pewter with Peppers"
Shelly Carson "Lovely Lavender"
Fausto Ciciliot "Farm After Snow"
Deborah Lea Cohen "Sometimes It's Just too Much"
Elana Colavito "Purity"
Christine Costello "Starry Night in the Tetons"
Richard Cox "Brooklyn Bridge"
Stephen Crane "Sunset, Torrey Pines Bridge"
David Donnelly "Waiting"
Joan Dooley "The Umbrella"
Kenneth Duh "Autumn Leaves"
Sandy Engel Sandor "Bethlehem Sunrise"
Patricia Falco "Pacific Sea Nettle Jellyfish"
George Farina "Baboon in Sidelight"
Laurinda Faye "Aurora"
Lori Fichter "Cascade"
Katherine Fisher "Above Cappadocia"
Pamela Fisher-Vail "Nighttide"
Janet Geissler "Wind Through the Trees"
Mark Gittleman "Serenity"
Barry Good "Mail Pouch Barn"
Jeff Grabert "Oregon Coast"
Diane Granger "All Alone"
Chandler Grant "Wright Brothers Monument"
Lee Hackman "Friendly Conversation"
T. Brian Hager "Miss Mannikin"
Peet Hickman "Zoellner Arts Center"
Chris Hornaman "Parked Car"
Roberta Hurley "Distraction"
Lori Jean "Cascading Palm"
Bruce Jacobson "Lion, Cape May County Zoo"
Glenn Kasten "Fandom"
Jodi Keim "Glacier Bay"
Linda Kennington "Venice Sunset"
Lita Kishbaugh "Late Night at the Laundromat"
Alton Knight "Canyon River Sunset"
Gary Kochubka "Light Bridge"
Lisa Lake "Grassy Bay"
Lee Levin-Friend "The Lion King"
Cheryl Lewis "Highlands"
Diane Ljungquist "Storm Brewing"
Lori Lucas "The Cordwainer's Bench"
Thomas Marino "Seahorse"
Sharon Merkel "Urban Order"
Mike Murphy "Nice Balance"
Lorraine Myers "Boots"
Bob Newell "Getting Ready"
Joan Pasternak "Tuli Wedding, Italy"
David Paulik "Golden Field"
Vince Pellegrini "Nature Imitating Nature"
Terry Piltzer "Making Memories at Liberty State Park"
Louise Reeves "Wilted Love"
Tarea Roach-Pritchett "Purple and Green"
Lauren Roman "One More Wave"
Don Schroder "Following Mom"
Jeanne Schroder "Where the Fairies Live"
Carolyn Shoop "Four Corners"
William Shoop "Moonlight Sonata"
Dorothy Siravo "Outstanding Dahlia"
Susan Smith "Alarm"
Jacki Searly "Fluttering Bird of Paradise"
Eileen Stephan "Frozen Mystery"
Jason Stewart "As Above, So Below"
John Stritzinger "In the Resistance"
Doreen Sutcliffe "Glacier"
Bobbie Turner "Peeling Potatoes"
Ciana Vodofsky "Antique Rotary Trumpet"
David Voros "Hats Off (Avignon, France)"
Joan Wheeler "Broken Keys"
Linda Wickmann "Welcome Spring"
Joan Willis "Beautiful Buick"
Joan Zachary "R.F. Smith"

WHAT'S COMING UP

• *Through the Lens of Love* presented by John Barclay
Thursday, April 20th
(7pm :: IN PERSON & ZOOM)
[Click here to register](#)

• *Still Life: Beyond Fruit Bowls and Flowers* presented by Betsy Wilson
Thursday, May 18th
(7pm :: IN PERSON & ZOOM)
[Click here to register](#)

SPECIAL Inter-Club Meeting:

"The Art of Landscape Photography with a Drone" with DAN ANDERSON

Wednesday, May 31, at 7:30 PM ET (ZOOM)

Presented by the Lehigh Valley Photography Club, Chester County Camera Club, and Morton Arboretum Photographic Society (Chicago).

Drone photography is a new way of seeing and imagining the world as you explore. Like any new photographic tool, this new perspective of viewing the land is full of promise but demands fresh thinking and a new visualization of the entire concept of the landscape image from the start to the finished product.

We will briefly discuss the details of drone best practices but primarily we will spend our time examining the specific photographic ideas and opportunities for still images introduced by this new tool for creating landscape photographs.

[Click here to read more about Dan Anderson and to register for the presentation!](#)

Join Us

NOT YET A LVPC MEMBER?

Did you find us on Google?
Or, maybe you have a friend in LVPC?
Clicked on the newsletter link on our site?
Maybe you saw our exhibit at the Allentown Art Museum?

We invite you to join us for a monthly featured speaker program for just \$10.

Then, if you find what over 300 photographers have found...the Lehigh Valley Photography Club is an incredible community of artists and creatives...we'll apply your \$10 toward your membership.

We offer many membership levels: student, individual, family, retired...

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT LVPC MEMBERSHIP](#)

12 DAY PHOTO WORKOUT

DAY 1: Natural Patterns

Look for shape repetitions, consistent and recurring shapes.

DAY 2: Foreground Subject

Explore the artistic use of foregrounds and exaggerate its importance relative to the background.

DAY 3: Midday

On this day - you'll shoot only at midday and explore what bright skies can do for you!

DAY 4: Backlight Effect

Point directly at a light source and explore the effect this creates on your subject.

DAY 5: Natural Designs

Think in abstract; explore what you can capture with wide angle, telephoto or macro.

DAY 6: Close Up

Prepare; use your tripod; work with your camera's histogram. To maximize sharpness, align your camera on the same visual plane as what you are shooting.

DAY 7: Black & White

Today: look with your eyes and see in color but visualize the same scene in black & white! Whether you use in camera settings or convert to black & white in processing - enjoy a day to see differently!

DAY 8: Shoot Through

Use objects (windows, trees, etc.) and "shoot through" to capture your subject.

DAY 9: Minimalism

Today is all about the simple subject; try exploring negative spaces or use a wide aperture to make subjects stand out.

DAY 10: Tell a Story

Think about context: take photos on your walk to a location; what you see along the way. Present these as part of a portfolio for today's challenge.

DAY 11: Bokeh

What is bokeh to you? Blur, out-of-focus parts produced by your lens, or point of light on an out-of-focus subject. Have fun today!

DAY 12: Shoot at Night

Long exposures; light painting; remote shutter; wide aperture...get creative!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

2023 East PA "More Than Pink" Walk

Sunday, May 14

Photographers needed on to help capture the event.

Photographers will receive shoot assignments the week of the event and will be required to download all photos taken onto Komen's SmugMug account the Monday following the event.

By signing up as a volunteer photographer, photographers acknowledge that all photographs become the sole property of Susan G. Komen.

You must have your own camera - no smart phones, please.

Parx Casino
2999 Street Road
Bensalem, PA 19020



[CLICK HERE TO VOLUNTEER](#)

PHOTO CONTESTS

Looking for opportunities to submit your work?

Please note contests mentioned is for information only - LVPC does not sponsor nor endorse outside competitions. All photographers should use their own judgment pertaining to contest rules and/or copyright release(s).

NED SMITH CENTER FOR NATURE AND ART PHOTO COMPETITION

This is our third annual photography contest, and the themes are: "Macro Photography and Night Photography". All photographs must be of nature in Pennsylvania. Bring on the extreme close-up photography and the dusk to dawn imagery. Examples are, but not limited to; a bug's eyes, an ant, a snowflake, moon, stars, Milky Way, and landscapes. All photographs entered in the 2023 contest must have been taken between: March 1st, 2021, and September 15th, 2023.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND SUBMISSION GUIDELINES/ENTRY](#)

PEDDLER'S VILLAGE PHOTOGRAPHY 2023 COMPETITION: "PETS"

This summer, Peddler's Village presents the Photography Competition & Exhibit. This exhibit will be on display in the Visitor & Event Center from June 12 to July 30, 2023. The theme of the 2023 Photography Competition & Exhibit is "Pets." Both professional and amateur photography will be showcased. All members of the public are invited to participate in the competition. Deadline to register is May 12, 2023. Admission is free. This is a juried competition and exhibit.

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"Light makes photography. Embrace light. Admire it. Love it. But above all, know light. Know it for all you are worth, and you will know the key to photography."

George Eastman

MONTHLY PHOTO CHALLENGE

April

"Small Scenes" (closes May 6)

May

"Frame Within a Frame" (closes June 3)

June

"My Favorite Subject" (closes July 8)

[CLICK HERE FOR INFO ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN MONTHLY PHOTO CHALLENGE](#)

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

PLEASE LEAVE US A GOOGLE REVIEW!

We would like to see our reviews on Google grow as this is a fantastic way for our members to share the good news about LVPC!

If you have a Gmail address, please visit our Google listing and share your own 5-star rating and review!

[LINK TO OUR GOOGLE REVIEWS:](#)

<https://g.page/r/CU2YUcH4mgTSEB0/review>



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