
FOCUS GROUP CAMERA CLUB

Club Meeting Minutes January 8, 2024

Call to order

A meeting of Focus Group Camera Club was held at River Road Presbyterian Church, Richmond, VA on Monday, January 8th, 2024 and was called to order at 7:30 pm by Lloyd Chaser, President. Member attendees included Charlie Stout, Vice President; Mark Breen, Treasurer; Gene Harris, Secretary; Charles Krumbein, Cindy Krumbein, Jay Denny, Vicky Eicher, Sallie Rugg, Frank Feigert, Beau Richardson, Rick Bream, Cyane Lowden, Stephen Retherford, and Debbie Roberts.

Agenda:

WELCOME OF GUESTS

One guest was in attendance, Chuck Janus, a guest of Jay Denny.

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

The Monthly Challenge was “Shadows”. Images were presented by Ellen Martin, Jay Denny, Cyane Lowden, Lloyd Chaser, and Charlie Stout.

The monthly challenge for January-February is “Water.” The challenge is to make water the subject of your image, and to explore all of its potential as a subject.

PROGRAM

The evening’s program was “The Challenges of Creating Images While on a Group Tour,” presented by member Mark Breen. Having just taken a group tour in Turkey, Mark talked about subjects such as what gear to take, using Google Earth for planning, dealing with the time limits baked into your tour, using Auto ISO, and tips for photographing people.

UPCOMING PROGRAM

Charlie Stout said the February program is still to be determined.

BUSINESS MEETING

TREASURER’S REPORT

- Treasurer Mark Breen reported a balance of \$4787.58, with expenditures of \$25 for web hosting. He also reported an error in the current bank statement, and that he is in contact with the bank about it.

NEW BUSINESS

- Charlie Stout asked for a volunteer to be a slide projection backup for meetings he can’t be present for. Gene Harris volunteered.

- Mark and Lloyd suggested a field trip to the Tractor Museum near Petersburg. Lloyd will coordinate.
- Charles and Cindy Krumbein offered to host a winter Pizza party for the club, perhaps in place of the February meeting, or perhaps in late February. To be determined.
- Stephen Retherford reminded members that the Richmond Public Library exhibit will end on January 31st. He mentioned an upcoming concert taking place in the Gellman Room (the same room as the exhibit) and encouraged attendance.

ROUNDTABLE

Jay Denny, Cyane Lowden, Lloyd Chaser, Stephen Retherford, Debbie Roberts, and Charlie Stout presented images for the Roundtable.

FEEDBACK REQUESTS

Gene Harris and Lloyd Chaser each resubmitted previously shown and now revised images for club member discussion and feedback.

FURTHER ITEMS

There was some discussion about two photography shows currently at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, featuring work by Dawoud Bey and Willie Ann Wright.

Adjournment

There being no further items, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene Harris, Secretary